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Sunday 24 June 2018	The Nativit	y of St John the Bap	tist Year B
MASS AND SERVICE TIMES			
Saturday 23 June			
Vigil Mass	5.30pm	St Philip Neri	People of the Parish
Sunday 24 June	9.30am	St Mary	John & Christine Norman (30 th Wedding Ann.)
The Nativity of St John the Baptist	11.00am	Immaculate Heart	William & Grace McPhee (ann.)
W	leekday Reading	s: Ordinary Time Week 1	12, Year 2
Monday 25 June	9.15am	Immaculate Heart	Service of the Word and Holy Communion
Tuesday 26 June	N.B.	No Service	
Wednesday 27 June	10.00am	St Philip Neri	Helen Bain (dec.)
Thursday 28 June			
Vigil Mass	6.30pm	Immaculate Heart	James Cunningham (dec.)
Friday 29 June	9.30am	St Philip Neri	People of the Parish
SS Peter and Paul (Holyday of Obligation)			(St Philip Neri School attending)
Saturday 30 June			
Vigil Mass	5.30pm	St Philip Neri	Joe Welsh (First ann.)
Sunday 1 July	9.30am	St Mary	People of the Parish
Thirteenth Sunday of the Year	11.00am	Immaculate Heart	Michael Almond (First ann.)
	SACRAME	NT OF RECONCILIATIO	DN
	Saturday at St	Philip Neri 5.05pm - 5	.20pm
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Rosary and Expositio	n of the Blesse	d Sacrament Wedneso	day 9.30am at St Philip Neri

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Marjorie Gray, James Roach, David Roach, Luke Roach, Christine Taylor, Terry Gardner, Pauline Mulholland, Sheila Rickerby, Susan Wall, Paul Leonard, Kathleen Bruce, Peter McLoughlin, Ray Deponio, Astrid Muse (Gower), Ann Camozzi, Lesley Gough, Susan Walker, Kai Thompson, Monica Meaney, Tammie Blair, Kathleen Buxton, Liz McKenna, Fr Jim Doherty, Bernard Lyons, Geoff Taylor, Kathleen Cailey, Ken Webster, Winnie Easton, Joanne Maclean, Pat Flynn, Barney Hayes, Brigid Rankin, Joe Oxley, Helen Coulson, Samuel O'Reilly. Fr Paul Hannon.

If you or members of your family are going into hospital and would like to see the Catholic Chaplain, please ask a member of the ward staff to let the Catholic Chaplain know. For the Queen Elizabeth Hospital, you can contact the Chaplaincy Department Office directly tel. 0191 445 2072.

HOLYDAYS OF OBLIGATION MASS TIMES As previously notified in the newsletter, there will now be two Masses celebrated in the Parish for Holydays of Obligation i.e. 6.30pm Vigil Mass at Immaculate Heart of Mary and 9.30am Morning Mass alternating at **either** St Mary **or** St Philip Neri. **So, the Masses for SS Peter and Paul are:**

Vigil Mass Thursday 28 June 6.30pm at Immaculate Heart Morning Mass Friday 29 June 9.30am at St Philip Neri Please note: A retiring collection will be taken at both Masses for Peter's Pence and support for the Holy See.

FR JEFF DODDS SILVER JUBILEE CELEBRATION 7pm, Tuesday 26 June, at English Martyrs and SS Peter Paul Church, Redhill Road, Stockton on Tees TS19 9BY. For those travelling to the Silver Jubilee Celebration by coach (cost per person £7.50), the coach will pick up at 5pm at the bus stop outside the Weatherspoon's Harry Clasper pub (formerly the council offices) and will continue along towards Immaculate Heart Church for the second pick up. We will collect any remaining payments on the evening. Thank you.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday 3 July at 1.30pm in the Weekday Chapel at Immaculate Heart church. If you enjoy knitting or crocheting, or if you are interested in what we hope to do with this ministry, please come along. All are welcome. For further information please contact Joan McCoy tel. 0191 488 4395.

SENIOR MOMENTS The next Senior Moments lunch will be on Wednesday 4 July at 11.30am in St Mary's Parish Hall. All are welcome. (N.B. The Senior Moments Planning Meeting will be held this Wednesday 27 June at 9.45am at Immaculate Heart Church.)

THE NEXT PPC MEETING will be held on **Wednesday 11 July 2018 from 6.30pm to 7.30pm.** A reminder to all parishioners - if there is anything that you would like to be discussed at the PPC meeting, please contact your Church Representative and enquire if the item could be added to the Meeting's Agenda. Church Representatives are:

Immaculate Heart - Maveen Pereira, Allan Bell, Christine Crawley, vacancy

St Mary - Philip Cunningham, Tony Sacco, Jen Jones and Janice Hall

St Philip Neri - John Pinchen, Michael Waugh, Denise Hebron and Katie Wilkinson

PARTNERSHIP NEWS FOR ALL PARISHIONERS Please remember - Parishioners are the Partnership and your opinion counts, hence the importance of keeping you informed. The June/July edition of the bimonthly Partnership Matters news update is now available on the front page of the diocesan website www.rcdhn.org.uk - it includes activities and ideas shared from across the Partnerships.

OUR LADY AND ST PHILIP NERI - THREE CHURCHES... ...ONE PARISH See your invitation poster at the entrance of the church! Come and join in the celebrations on Friday 6 July, beginning at 6.30pm with a Mass of Thanksgiving in Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, including the Induction of Fr Peter as Parish Priest. After Mass, there will be a "Prosecco Reception" as a toast to our new parish, together with a buffet, music and good company.

To ensure we can all enjoy the evening, a marquee will be erected in the church grounds and the school children from St Mary, Whickham and St Philip Neri, Dunston are preparing decorations to make it look extra special.

Please help us by providing food for the buffet. There is a sheet of paper at the entrance of each church which lists suggested food types which we hope will suit everyone and make preparation easier. Please write your name against the option(s) you are happy to provide.

On the day - If you can, please indicate what the food is (e.g. "does not contain meat/fish", "free from gluten", "contains nuts" etc), cut it into portions and provide in disposable containers, foil, or clingfilm doing this will be really helpful, especially for clearing up. Bring your food donation to the marquee on your way to Mass. **Tea, Coffee and juice will be provided** however if you wish to bring anything stronger for your own use or to share, feel free to do so! Plastic glasses will be available. **We look forward to seeing you and thank you for your help!**

*****CHOIR PRACTICE FOR 6 JULY MASS***** For any parishioners of our three churches who would like to join the choir at Immaculate Heart for this special Mass, practices will be held at Immaculate Heart as follows:

Wednesday 27 June at 10.30am.

Thursday 28 June after the 6.30pm Vigil Mass of SS Peter and Paul.

Tuesday 3 July after the 6.30pm Mass.

Come along and fill the church with music!

NEW STANDING ORDER MANDATES if you contribute to the parish income (and/or *Gift for Life*) by standing order and have not yet completed the new standing order mandate which is required for the new parish of Our Lady and St Philip Neri, please do so as soon as possible using the form in the named envelopes which you collected from the back of church a few weeks ago or which you received in the post. THE JOHN INGRAM PARTNERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PLAN -AN INVITATION! This is an exciting opportunity for all parishioners to become involved in developing our Partnership for the future. In respect of Youth Faith Formation, there is to be a one-off workshop on Saturday 30 June from 9.30am to 12.30pm at St Joseph's Hall, High West Street, Gateshead NE8 1LX. To make up for the early start, we are hoping to be able to provide some breakfast, potentially coffee and croissants!

Youth Faith Formation's goal – *To engage our teens and young adults to be disciples by fostering the personal and spiritual growth of each person.* There are three objectives that will help us to achieve this goal. They are:

- 1) To foster the personal and spiritual growth of each young person.
- 2) To draw young people to responsible participation in the life, mission and work of our Catholic Faith Communities.
- 3) To empower young people to live as disciples of Jesus Christ in the modern world, sending them out as prophetic witnesses of the Gospel.

This invitation is open to anyone who feels that they have something to contribute, whether you are a young person, a teacher, the parent or grandparent of a young person or anyone in our parishes who has an idea. This is the fourth event out of five areas which are to be developed within the plan, It is very important that as many people as possible are involved and it would be great if someone from each of our three churches could attend. For further information please contact Katie Wilkinson (Chair of PDG) mobile 07837 386 760 or email teachkate1@gmail.com

YOUTH MINISTRY TOOLKIT An exciting new online resource is now available on <u>www.hnyouthtoolkit.org.uk</u>

YOUTH MINISTRY INVITATION All those concerned about how we can support young people on their faith journey are invited to a co-workers' meeting at the Emmaus Village on Sunday 8 July at 3.00pm (Tea, coffee and cake from 2.15pm). YMT will present a number of opportunities including the national Flame event which happens in March 2019 and this will also be a time to share good practice with people from other parts of the diocese. For further information or to register your attendance please contact YMT on tel. 01207 592244 or email. admin@ymt.org **FAITH IN ACTION AWARD** This national Catholic Award Scheme for school years 6-11, encouraging young people to reflect on their faith and put it into action, can be carried out in both school and parish groups. Two training sessions for those who would like to run the Award will take place on Thursday 5 July from 7pm to 8.30pm at St Aloysius Parish Hall, Hebburn and Friday 6 July from 1.30pm to 3pm at St Joseph's Catholic Academy, Hebburn. For further information or to book a place, please email <u>admin@ymt.org</u>.

TRANSFORMING OUR LIVES WITH THE BIBLE An evening hearing about recent research into old and new ways of engaging with Scripture will be held on Thursday 28 June from 7pm to 9pm at St Hilda's, Beaumont Street, Sunderland, SR5 2JD. The evening is free of charge and can be booked in advance by emailing adult.formation@diocesehn.org.uk.

NORTHERN MENS PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM The annual pilgrimage to our Lady's Shrine at Walsingham will take place from Friday 29 June to Sunday 1 July. The cost is £150 which includes coach travel, bed breakfast and evening meals plus a traditional Sunday lunch before returning home. A deposit of £50 is required to secure a place. For further information please contact John Ross tel. 0191 4404391 or John Robertson tel. 0191 4877790.

ITEMS FOR THE NEWSLETTER Please type or write the item with as much detail as possible (i.e. description of the event or notice, dates, times, venue, contact person, links to further information) and then either email to <u>stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk</u> or post through the presbytery letterbox at Immaculate Heart **by 10am on Thursday 28** June at the latest.

Partnership Prayer

Risen Christ, from your abundant grace, pour out afresh your Holy Spirit upon our Diocese. As we build on the deep foundations of faith laid by the countless saints of these Northern lands, by Aidan and Cuthbert, Hilda and Bede, may our Partnerships continue the mission of building your Kingdom on the earth: to give living witness to your love, and to your compassion and hope for our world. We pray in trustful confidence that your power working in us can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Through the same Christ our Lord, Amen.

Liturgy of the Word

The Nativity of St John the Baptist

First Reading

Isaiah 49:1-6

Islands, listen to me, pay attention, remotest peoples. The Lord called me before I was born, from my mother's womb he pronounced my name.

He made my mouth a sharp sword, and hid me in the shadow of his hand. He made me into a sharpened arrow and concealed me in his quiver.

He said to me, 'You are my servant (Israel) in whom I shall be glorified'; while I was thinking 'I have toiled in vain, I have exhausted myself for nothing';

And all the while my cause was with the Lord, my reward with my God. I was honoured in the eyes of the Lord, my God was my strength.

And now the Lord has spoken, he who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, to gather Israel to him: 'It is not enough for you to be my servant, to restore the tribes of Jacob and bring back the survivors of Israel; I will make you the light of the nations so that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.'

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 138:1-3. 13-15. R/ cf. v.14

Response: I thank you for the wonder of my being.

- O Lord, you search me and you know me, you know my resting and my rising, you discern my purpose from afar. You mark when I walk or lie down, all my ways lie open to you.
- For it was you who created my being, knit me together in my mother's womb.
 I thank you for the wonder of my being, for the wonders of all your creation.
- Already you knew my soul, my body held no secret from you when I was fashioned in secret and moulded in the depths of the earth.

Second Reading

Acts of the Apostles 13:22-26

Paul said: 'God made David the king of our ancestors, of whom he approved in these words, "I have selected David son of Jesse, a man after my own heart, who will carry out my whole purpose." To keep his promise, God has raised up for Israel one of David's descendants, Jesus, as Saviour, whose coming was heralded by John when he proclaimed a baptism of repentance for the whole people of Israel. 'Before John ended his career he said "I am not the one you imagine me to be; that one is coming after me and I am not fit to undo his sandal."

'My brothers, sons of Abraham's race, and all you who fear God, this message of salvation is meant for you.'

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

As for you, little child, you shall be called a prophet of God, the Most High. You shall go ahead of the Lord to prepare his ways before him. Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 1:57-66. 80

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit. A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

The time came for Elizabeth to have her child, and she gave birth to a son; and when her neighbours and relations heard that the Lord had shown her so great a kindness, they shared her joy.

Now on the eighth day they came to circumcise the child; they were going to call him Zechariah after his father, but his mother spoke up. 'No,' she said 'he is to be called John.' They said to her, 'But no one in your family has that name', and made signs to his father to find out what he wanted him called. The father asked for a writing tablet and wrote, 'His name is John.' And they were all astonished. At that instant his power of speech returned and he spoke and praised God. All their neighbours were filled with awe and the whole affair was talked about throughout the hill country of Judaea. All those who heard of it treasured it in their hearts. 'What will this child turn out to be?' they wondered. And indeed the hand of the Lord was with him.

Meanwhile the child grew up and his spirit matured. And he lived out in the wilderness until the day he appeared openly to Israel.

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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