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Matthew 3:17

THE PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST PHILIP NERI

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Sunday 12 January 2020

The Baptism of the Lord

Year A

MASS AND SERVICE TIMES

Saturday 11 January

Vigil Mass

5.30pm St Philip Neri

Kathleen & Gerard Cailey (dec.)

Sunday 12 January

9.30am St Mary

Lawrence Regan (dec.)

The Baptism of the Lord

11.00am Immaculate Heart

People of the Parish

End of the Christmas Season

Weekday Mass Readings - Ordinary Time Week 1 (Year 2)

Monday 13 January

9.15am Immaculate Heart

Service of the Word and Holy Communion

Tuesday 14 January

9.30am Immaculate Heart

Alan Dixon (dec.)

Wednesday 15 January

10.00am St Philip Neri

Joe Welsh (dec.)

Thursday 16 January

9.30am St Mary

Private Intention

Friday 17 January *St Anthony*

10.00am St Mary

Service of the Word and Holy Communion

Saturday 18 January (*Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity begins today*)

Vigil Mass

5.30pm St Philip Neri

Henry Hynds (dec.)

Sunday 19 January

9.30am St Mary

Anthony Keating (1st ann.)

Second Sunday of the Year (A)

11.00am Immaculate Heart

People of the Parish

Day of Special Prayer for Peace

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday at St Philip Neri 5.00pm - 5.20pm



Rosary and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 9.30am on Wednesday at St Philip Neri

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 9.30am on Friday at St Mary

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Matty Bullock, Raymond Deponio, Pat Flynn, Barney Hayes, Maria Thi Kien Chiene Le, John Leitch, Peter McLoughlin, Pauline Mulholland, Astrid Muse (Gower), Joseph Relph, Geoff Taylor.

If you or any 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 (Catholic Chaplain: Rev. Peter Jones). For the RVI and Freeman Hospitals in Newcastle, tel. 0191 233 6161 (Catholic Chaplain: Fr Mariadass 0191 265 5290).

THE RED MISSION BOXES collection is now due in each of our three churches. Please could all monies be paid in by Sunday 19 January. Thank you.

THE ANGEL TREE 2019 We have received this message of thanks from Brigitte Jones *"I am lost for words – all three churches have always been generous and thoughtful to this cause but this year you have all be MAGNIFICENT! Beautifully wrapped presents enabled us to deliver gifts to every child on our list but in addition I was given £365 to spend on food for the most needy. This year the number of families needing help had increased substantially and we were able to make more food parcels than ever to meet that need. THANK YOU ALL."*

CHRISTIAN UNITY WEEK 2020 This year, the Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity is from 18 - 25 January. You are invited to attend the following services - each has a period of prayer and reflection followed by light refreshments afterwards:

Monday 20 January 12noon at St Mary's Church of England, Whickham

Tuesday 21 January 12noon at Fellside Methodist Church, Whickham

Wednesday 22 January 12noon at St Mary's Catholic Church, Whickham

Thursday 23 January 10.30am Coffee followed by 11am Service at Spoor Methodist Church, Whickham

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER (formerly Women's World Day of Prayer) There will be a planning meeting held on Tuesday 28 January at 2pm at St Mary the Virgin Church Hall. Three representatives are needed from our parish. If you think you could help please see Gail Maddison at the back of church after Mass. Thank you.

JOE'S PLACE THANK YOU we have received a letter of thanks from Wilf McNeany at Joe's Place *"Please pass on our heartfelt thanks to the members of your Senior Moments group for the generous donation of £300 towards the work of our project here at Joe's Place. On Wednesday 18 December we were able to provide a full 3 course Christmas lunch to approximately 130 homeless and vulnerable people. We also gave a gift bag containing toiletries along with a small gift of sweets and chocolate to all those who wanted one. All in all, it was a hectic but wonderful joyous occasion."*

NEWMAN ASSOCIATION TALKS The next talk of the Tyneside Circle of the Newman Association is entitled Gary Leece, *"Good without God? Iris Murdoch in the Philosopher's Pupil"* and will be held on Wednesday 29 January at 7.30pm in the Church Hall at St Mary's Cullercoats. Iris Murdoch was one of the most important literary and philosophical figures of the 20th century. This talk will consider her career, focussing on the fresh start she made in the 1980s with a series of long novels beginning with *The Philosopher's Pupil*, which marked her return to a Platonist view of the world. Her atheism is tempered by her fascination with religion and awareness of the God-shaped gap in the modern world. All welcome.

DIOCESAN VACANCIES:

Cleaner at St Hilda, Sunderland. 6 Hours per week. Closing Date for applications is 17 January 2020.

Cleaner at St Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle. 10 hours per week. Closing date for applications is 13 January 2020.

For further information and details of how to apply, please visit website www.rcdhn.org.uk or contact us on tel. 0191 243 3301.

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 stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk or post through the presbytery letterbox at Immaculate Heart **by 10am on Thursday 16 January 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.
Who live and reign for ever and ever.
Amen.

First Reading*Isaiah 42:1-4. 6-7*

Thus says the Lord:

Here is my servant whom I uphold,
my chosen one in whom my soul delights.
I have endowed him with my spirit
that he may bring true justice to the nations.

He does not cry out or shout aloud,
or make his voice heard in the streets.
He does not break the crushed reed,
Nor quench the wavering flame.

Faithfully he brings true justice;
He will neither waver, nor be crushed
until true justice is established on earth,
for the islands are awaiting his law.

I, the Lord, have called you to serve the cause of right;
I have taken you by the hand and formed you;
I have appointed you as covenant of the people and light
of the nations,
to open the eyes of the blind,
to free captives from prison,
and those who live in darkness from the dungeon.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm*Psalms 28:1-4. 9-10. R/v.11*

Response: The Lord will bless his people with peace.

- O give the Lord you sons of God,
give the Lord glory and power;
give the Lord the glory of his name.
Adore the Lord in his holy court.
- The Lord's voice resounding on the waters,
the Lord on the immensity of waters;
the voice of the Lord, full of power,
the voice of the Lord, full of splendour.
- The God of glory thunders.
In his temple they all cry: 'Glory!'
The Lord sat enthroned over the flood;
the Lord sits as king for ever.

Second Reading*Acts of the Apostles 10:34-38*

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: 'The truth I have now come to realise' he said 'is that God does not have favourites, but that anybody of any nationality who fears God and does what is right is acceptable to him.

'It is true, God sent his word to the people of Israel, and it was to them that the good news of peace was brought by Jesus Christ - but Jesus Christ is Lord of all men. You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation*Mark 9:8*

Alleluia, alleluia!

The heavens opened and the Father's voice resounded:

'This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him.'

Alleluia!

Gospel*Matthew 3:13-17*

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to be baptised by John. John tried to dissuade him. 'It is I who need baptism from you,' he said 'and yet you come to me!' But Jesus replied, 'Leave it like this for the time being; it is fitting that we should, in this way, do all that righteousness demands.' At this, John gave in to him.

As soon as Jesus was baptised he came up from the water, and suddenly the heavens opened and he saw the spirit of God descending like a dove and coming down on him. And a voice spoke from heaven, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; my favour rests on him.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

