

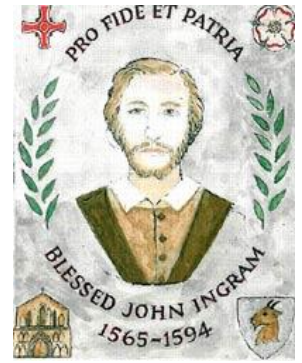


'Give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar - and to God what belongs to God.'
Matthew 22:21

THE PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST PHILIP NERI

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Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle

Twenty Ninth Sunday of the Year (A) 18 October 2020

The Parish Secretary, Julie Hindmarsh, can be contacted this week by email stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk
or by telephone 07891 162205 on **Tuesday - Friday, 10am - 2pm**

- PLEASE SEE NOTICE ON THE NEXT PAGE ABOUT THE PUBLIC CELEBRATION OF MASS AT IMMACULATE HEART CHURCH.
- Fr Peter will continue to celebrate daily Mass without a congregation except for the arrangements for Tuesdays and Sundays detailed on the next page. If you would like to attend Mass on the dates listed, please take particular notice of the 'booking-in' system. For those unable to attend Mass, Sunday Morning Mass will continue to be available on line each Sunday and can be viewed on our YouTube channel <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC3webHIXzcgamFoHdfuCFLO>
- A full list of churches across the diocese which have now re-opened for Individual Prayer and/or Mass is available on the diocesan website www.rcdhn.org.uk
- Please note all parish meetings /gatherings are suspended until further notice.
- Live broadcasts of Mass from various locations and at various times can be found at the following website: www.churchservices.tv
- As part of the pastoral care of parishioners and others during this COVID-19 lockdown, a number of qualified counsellors and listeners have generously made themselves available to anyone who may be troubled by the negative effects of the situation. These counsellors and listeners can be contacted through the St Mary's Cathedral Listening Service on 0191 232 6953 and the Northumberland Listening Service on 07732 980740.

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Sunday 18 October <i>Twenty Ninth Sunday of the Year</i>	10.00am	People of the Parish
<i>World Mission Sunday</i>		
Monday 19 October		The Turnbull Family (dec.)
Tuesday 20 October	6.30pm	Bob Payne (ann.)
Wednesday 21 October		David & Reaveley Family (dec.)
Thursday 22 October <i>St John Paul II</i>		George & Margaret Porteous (dec.)
Friday 23 October		John Kelly (dec.)
Saturday 24 October		Priest's Intention
Sunday 25 October <i>Thirtieth Sunday of the Year</i>	10.00am	People of the Parish

Weekday Readings at Mass w/b 19 October - Ordinary Time Week 29, Year 2

*If you wish to contribute to the annual **World Mission Sunday collection this Sunday 18 October**, please use an envelope with 'World Mission Sunday' written on it and place it in the offertory basket or post it through the presbytery letterbox at Immaculate Heart.*

N.B. Please remember that, until further notice, the obligation for the faithful to attend Mass on a Sunday or Holyday of Obligation is suspended.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Matty Bullock, Raymond Deponio, Barney Hayes, Maria Thi Kien Chiene Le, John Leitch, Liz McKenna, 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 273 390).

PUBLIC CELEBRATION OF MASS AT IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY CHURCH If you would like to attend Mass at Immaculate Heart Church, please see ** below about 'booking in'.

Forthcoming Masses:

Tuesday 20 October - Church will open at 6.00pm for 6.30pm Mass.

Sunday 25 October - Church will open at 9.30am for 10.00am Mass.

Tuesday 27 October - Church will open at 6.00pm for 6.30pm Mass.

Sunday 1 November - Church will open at 9.30am for 10.00am Mass.

Monday 2 November (All Souls) - Church will open at 9.30am for 10.00am Mass.

When you come to church, please maintain social distancing (2 metres). A one-way system is in place, plus hand sanitisers at the entrance (Main Doors) and exit (Day Chapel). You are also required to wear a face covering. Once in church please be guided by the volunteer stewards. The number of parishioners who can safely attend each Mass is 42 plus - we have the flexibility of 'plus' because members of the same household or support bubble may sit together.

****IMPORTANT In order to ensure that all those attending Mass have a seat and can be safely accommodated inside the church, we have introducing a dedicated telephone 'booking in' system - the telephone number is 07388 814715 and you will be able to contact this number Monday - Wednesday, 11am - 6pm. To maintain a fair system, you are asked to book your place in advance on a weekly basis via this telephone number. Please be advised that unfortunately, this number does not accept text messaging.**

When booking you will be asked for the date of the Mass you wish to attend, your name, telephone number and the number in your party. For test and trace purposes, these details will be retained for 21 days, then securely destroyed. When you come into church, you will see a poster on display with Immaculate Heart's QR code. This can be scanned using the NHS COVID-19 App if you have downloaded it onto your mobile phone. Please feel free to scan this code but note contact details will also still be requested, manually noted and safely stored for 21 days.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY This Sunday 18 October is World Mission Sunday which supports missionaries who work alongside communities that are poor or in need, regardless of their background or belief. By supporting *Missio*, the Pope's charity for world mission, you will be helping missionaries share the love of Christ with those most in need. Please pray for the mission of the Church throughout the world and give what you can to this very important collection which will sustain the future of our Church. If you wish to give a single gift or set up a Direct Debit, please call 020 7821 9755 (during office hours) or visit *Missio's* website www.missio.org.uk Alternatively, you can send a cheque (payable to *Missio*) to: *Missio*, 23 Eccleston Square, London SW1V 1NU. If you are UK taxpayer, please consider gift-aiding your donation. Thank you.

RED MISSION BOXES We are unable to empty red mission boxes at present either in homes or at church. If you wish you can put the contents of your box into a labelled envelope and place it in the collection basket if you are coming to Immaculate Heart Church for Mass.

FOOD APPEAL UPDATE & THANK YOU! We are only able to continue this worthwhile outreach because of your amazing generosity. Unfortunately, as the R number increases and local restrictions are again impacting upon the future of people's jobs, it is even more important that we can continue and maintain this support. Please prioritise the significant 'gaps' in the following areas - milk, tinned custard, fruit, potatoes, sweetcorn, carrots, peas, cooking sauces, crisps, kitchen rolls, washing up liquid, shower gel, feminine hygiene & washing (laundry) powder. Other items such as pasta, long grain rice, tinned tomatoes, meat, tinned rice, soup, deodorant, biscuits etc gratefully received. Thank you!

The organisation and arrangement for packing and distribution of food has now altered - it is very important that as local and national Covid restrictions increase we don't mix with others. This week all the volunteers worked as couples or individually to avoid unnecessary contact with others.

However, the arrangements remain the same for Thursdays - someone will be at the church between 10-10.30am so parishioners can still drop donations off at church if they wish. If you are dropping off donations at church, please don't enter the church but give a shout and leave any donations inside the open door.

Drop off points for food donations remain the same (see below) and remember you can now also drop off donations at church when you come along for Mass.

Dunston area - John Pinchen, 316 Dunston Road, Dunston (leave in the porch)

Lobley Hill area - Maveen Pereira, 41, Beechwood Gardens, Lobley Hill, (leave in the porch)

Whickham area - Katie Wilkinson, 1 Mayfield, Whickham (mobile 07837 386 760) leave donations in the back garden.

OCTOBER - THE MONTH OF THE ROSARY Rosary Whirlwind British Isles will take place throughout October with a nightly online Rosary at 8pm led from a different Marian Shrine, Cathedral or Parish.

On 31 October 2020, the diocese will be taking part in a Rosary Rally, with different dioceses from across the country having a designated time slot to ensure the Rosary is prayed continuously throughout the day from 9am to 9pm. For more information please visit www.rosaryonthecoast.co.uk

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION ONLINE Due to the ongoing COVID-19 restrictions, and the recommendations that meeting with people outside of your household must be kept to a minimum, the Diocesan Vicariate for Faith & Mission is seeking to establish catechist community networks to offer support in engaging with formation online. Several resources will become available for this over the coming months, and the Vicariate is available for any questions that arise. It is hoped that we can journey alongside each other at this difficult time, sharing ideas and creating resources where there may be gaps. We would like to invite catechists to attend one of the online sessions at 7pm on Wednesday 21 October (Confirmations) and Thursday 22 October (First Holy Communion). New and experienced catechists are all welcome to come, share and find out more about sacramental preparation online. To register to attend one of the meetings or if you would like more information, please email adminfaith.mission@diocesehn.org.uk

'STRICTLY' QUIZ & ACTIVITY SHEETS WEEK 28 In celebration of the launch of *Strictly Come Dancing* this weekend we've got a number of themed activities for you all - enjoy! All answers are posted the following week. Previous sheets and answers can be found on the parish website, so if you've never looked before, you can still catch up - just look under the link for the relative week's newsletter.

In addition, if you would like to share anything you think may be of use to us all during lockdown we will do our best to include them if you send them to the parish email address.

PARISH OFFERTORY DONATIONS DURING THE PANDEMIC Many thanks to all our parishioners who have been making contributions through individual donations, planned giving envelopes and standing orders or bank transfers. As you will appreciate, because of the Covid-19 pandemic, our parish income has fallen quite dramatically over the last few months as parishioners have been unable to make their regular weekly contributions in the usual way. In light of this, if you would like to set up a standing order for your regular contributions, or to make a one-off contribution, please make arrangements with your bank. The Parish account details you will need to do this are:

DHN Gateshead Our Lady and St Philip Neri

Sort code: 40-34-45 Account number: 21167936

Reference for standing orders: insert your own name; commencing: e.g. 6th of each month; frequency: each month, quarterly or annually. Alternatively, if you have Planned Giving envelopes or *Gift for Life* envelopes you can always put them through the letterbox at Immaculate Heart Presbytery or bring them with you if you are coming to Immaculate Heart Church for Mass or to drop off items for the Food Appeal. Thank you.

ARE YOU WILLING TO LISTEN IN UNCERTAIN TIMES? The Diocese is sponsoring a six-week on-line training course in Listening Skills. Some parishioners may be experiencing mental health issues such as anxiety, low mood, loss and bereavement. family concerns etc. On the training course you will learn effective listening skills to offer support and if necessary "signpost" people to other sources of help. The course begins on Tuesday 10 November. For further details on the course please contact Oonagh Atkinson on 0191 389 1188. For a booking form and application for Lay Training Funding (as appropriate), please contact The Vicariate for Faith & Mission at adminfaith.mission@diocesehn.org.uk or telephone 0191 243 3316.

MINSTERACRES RETREAT - Quiet Day led by Sr Rosarie Spence. An opportunity to step aside, listen to God in scripture and enjoy the peace and tranquillity at Minsteracres. Tea and coffee provided. Please bring a packed lunch. This retreat is being held on Wednesday 18 November from 10am to 4pm. There is a suggested donation of £15. For further information please visit the Minsteracres website: <http://www.minsteracres.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/10/Sr-Rosarie-sq-resized.jpg>



GIFT FOR LIFE PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION – DEADLINE EXTENDED Come on you lot! While we've had a few entries for the photography competition for the *Gift for Life* 2021 Calendar we haven't got anything like enough for a calendar yet

so please get involved and help make this possible. Remember, this is an exciting opportunity for all you budding photographers out there - of whatever age. Photographs are invited under the theme of "The Beautiful North East of England" and (your chance for fame) 12 images will feature in a calendar to be sold in aid of *Gift for Life*. For full details see the competition guidelines on our parish website [here](#). **Entries required by Friday 23 October.**

Our Lady of the Rosary

Pleas add this prayer to your daily rosary

Immaculate Heart of Mary
Strength, light, protection and hope,
In you we renew ourselves,
To you we consecrate ourselvess
So that we are witnesses
Now, and always
Of the triumph of your Immaculate Heart
In all humanity. Amen.

Jen's Weekly Prayer

My world is filled with light yet I am afraid.
Words I cannot accept have robbed me of my reason
I feel alone, yet deep within me I know that I am held,
loved.
My mind is afraid, I need time to rush forward unfold
itself.
I do not want the news I will be forced to hear, or that I
am afraid I may hear.
My reason is in doubt, clarity is hidden, conclusions
drawn and hastily pushed deep within a strong box.
I need that cleansing solace of your water, your
soothing calm to restore my light.
May my fears evaporate with you warmth, and may
enlightenment bring me peace.
I ask you to take this pain of fear away from me.
May I be able to see with joy and clarity.
Heal me within that I may walk with love and share the
lives of those I cherish and love.
To watch their love grow and be transformed, to be
with them and not leave them.
Transform this grey and tearful place into green shade
that I may sing and dance to the rhythms of loving and
enriching life.

Jen Jones April 2008

First Reading*Isaiah 45:1. 4-6*

Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus, whom he has taken by his right hand to subdue nations before him and strip the loins of kings, to force gateways before him that their gates be closed no more:

'It is for the sake of my servant Jacob, of Israel my chosen one, that I have called you by your name, conferring a title though you do not know me, I am the Lord, unrivalled; there is no other God besides me. Though you do not know me, I arm you that men may know from the rising to the setting of the sun that, apart from me, all is nothing.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm*Psalm 95:1. 3-5. 7-10. R/v.7*

R/ Give the Lord glory and power.

1. O sing a new song to the Lord,
sing to the Lord all the earth.
Tell among the nations his glory
and his wonders among all the peoples.
2. The Lord is great and worthy of praise,
to be feared above all gods;
the gods of the heathens are naught.
It was the Lord who made the heavens.
3. Give the Lord, you families of peoples,
give the Lord glory and power,
give the Lord the glory of his name.
Bring an offering and enter his courts.
4. Worship the Lord in his temple.
O earth, tremble before him.
Proclaim to the nations: 'God is king.'
He will judge the peoples in fairness.

Second Reading*1 Thessalonians 1:1-5*

From Paul, Silvanus and Timothy, to the Church in Thessalonika which is in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ; wishing you grace and peace from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. We always mention you in our prayer and thank God for you all, and constantly remember before God our Father how you have shown your faith in action, worked for love and persevered through hope, in our Lord Jesus Christ. We know, brothers, that God loves you and that you have been chosen, because when we brought the Good News to you, it came to you not only as words but as power and as the Holy Spirit and as utter conviction.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation*John 17:17*

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Your word is truth, O Lord,
consecrate us in the truth.

Alleluia!

Gospel*Matthew 22:15-21*

The Lord be with you

And with your spirit

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

The Pharisees went away to work out between them how to trap Jesus in what he said. And they sent their disciples to him, together with the Herodians, to say, 'Master, we know that you are an honest man and teach the way of God in an honest way, and that you are not afraid of anyone, because a man's rank means nothing to you. Tell us your opinion, then. Is it permissible to pay taxes to Caesar or not?' But Jesus was aware of their malice and replied, 'You hypocrites! Why do you set this trap for me? Let me see the money you pay the tax with.' They handed him a denarius and he said, 'Whose head is this? Whose name?' 'Caesar's' they replied. He then said to them, 'Very well, give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar - and to God what belongs to God.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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Spiritual Communion *There are times when people are unable to receive the Body and Blood of Christ, such as during this present time of the Covid-19 pandemic. Even though some may not receive 'sacramental' Communion, all are united in some way by the Holy Spirit. The traditional idea of 'spiritual' Communion is an important one to remember and reaffirm. A deep spiritual communion is possible even when we do not share together the Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ. Please say this prayer of Spiritual Communion (based on a prayer of St Alphonsus Liguori):*

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Holy Sacrament of the altar. I love you above all things and I passionately desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my soul so that I may unite myself wholly to you now and forever. Amen.