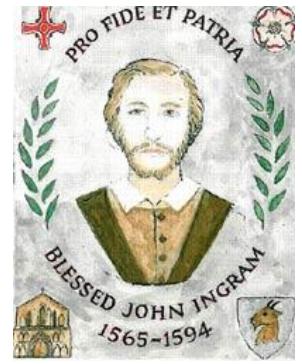




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Godhead here in hiding, whom I do adore,  
 Masked by these bare shadows, shape and  
 nothing more,  
 See, Lord, at Thy service low lies here a heart  
 Lost, all lost in wonder at the God thou art.  
*St Thomas Aquinas (1227 - 1274)*  
*Transl. Gerard Manley Hopkins (1844 - 1889)*

6 June 2021

The Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)

Year B

The Parish Secretary, Julie Hindmarsh, can be contacted this week by email [stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk](mailto:stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk)  
 or by telephone 0191 460 4274/07891 162205, Tuesday – Friday, 10am - 2pm

- THE PUBLIC CELEBRATION OF MASS AT IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY CHURCH During the National Lockdown, and with the support of our volunteer stewards and cleaners, Fr Peter is continuing to celebrate Sunday Morning Mass with a congregation at 10.00am. All other Masses will be celebrated without a congregation unless otherwise indicated. Remember that in the present circumstances, you are under no obligation to attend Mass on Sundays or Holydays of Obligation. If you intend to come to church on Sunday, please follow the 'booking-in' system detailed on the next page. If you are unable to attend Mass in church, Sunday Morning Mass will continue to be available to view on our Parish YouTube channel <http://www.youtube.com/channel/UC3webHIXzcgAMFoHdfuCFLQ> and on our Facebook page [www.facebook.com/](http://www.facebook.com/) - The Parish of Our Lady & St Philip Neri.
- Live broadcasts of Mass from various locations and at various times can be found at the following website: [www.churchservices.tv](http://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 pandemic. 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.

Mass times listed below indicate Masses to be celebrated in Immaculate Heart of Mary Church -  
 if you wish to attend, please 'book-in' (see over page)

<b>Sunday 6 June</b> <i>The Body and Blood of Christ</i>	<b>10.00am</b>	People of the Parish
Monday 7 June <i>St Robert of Newminster</i>		Priest's Intention
Tuesday 8 June		Deceased Members of the McPhee Family (ann.)
Wednesday 9 June		Jacqueline Carabine (dec.)
Thursday 10 June		Anthony Turner (dec.)
Friday 11 June <i>The Sacred Heart of Jesus</i>		Paul Elliott (dec.)
Saturday 12 June <i>The Immaculate Heart of Mary</i>		Priest's Intention
<b>Sunday 13 June</b> <i>Eleventh Sunday of the Year</i>	<b>10.00am</b>	People of the Parish

Readings at Mass this week: Ordinary Time Year 1, Week 10

Please note that the Renewal of Commitment for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion  
 has been postponed until later in the year.

Fr Adrian Dixon has prepared a short reflection which can be viewed on the diocesan website home page [www.rcdhn.org.uk](http://www.rcdhn.org.uk)

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK:** Raymond Deponio, Barney Hayes, Joseph Howstan, Maria Thi Kien Chiene Le, John Leitch, Pauline Mulholland, Astrid Muse (Gower), Joseph Relph, Barbara Stephenson, 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 3903).

### SUNDAY MORNING 10.00am MASS

In order to ensure that all those coming to church can have a seat and be safely accommodated, there is a dedicated telephone 'booking in' system - the telephone number is 07388 814715 and you can contact this number Monday - Wednesday, 11am - 6pm. Please note this number does not accept text messaging and there is no facility to leave a message.

*For those who have booked-in and are attending Mass, the church will open half an hour before the published Mass time.*

***The wearing of a face covering is mandatory unless a person has an exemption from this. At all times, when travelling to and from church, and whilst in church, you must observe strict social distancing (i.e. 2 metres) from anyone not in your household or support bubble and you must not mingle with anyone not in your household or support bubble before, during or after Mass.***

*A one-way system is in place in the church, plus hand sanitisers at the entrance (Main Doors) and exit (Day Chapel). Once in church, please be guided by the volunteer stewards.*

*There is also a poster on display with Immaculate Heart's QR code which can be scanned using the NHS COVID-19 app if you have downloaded it onto your mobile phone. Contact details will also still be requested, manually noted and safely stored for 21 days.*

***Sunday Morning Mass is also available online and can be viewed on our YouTube channel [here](#).***

**PARISH FINANCES 2020-2021** The annual financial returns for the year ended March 2021 have been completed and it is pleasing to report that total funds have increased from £286,096 to £303,354. Of this figure, £295,236 belongs to the Parish with other monies being held for Gift for Life, the Food Bank and special collections that are paid after year end closes. The £17,069 increase in parish money compares to a £26,828 increase last year. The £9,798 decrease is mainly attributable to a £21,776 (27.6%) decline in offertory collections which is due of course to the church closures during the whole year. Given the circumstances, this is quite an impressive performance and the impact has been reduced somewhat by lower spending in areas such as heating, repairs and church requisites.

We are in a more fortunate position than we would have been a few years ago when all offertory monies were collected in the form of cash. In any event, grateful thanks to all parishioners who continue to contribute financially by standing order (including those who have switched to this method over the past 12 months) and those who contribute to the weekly church collections or post their offertory envelopes through the presbytery letter box. If you would like to set up a standing order for your contributions, please see **Parish Offertory Donations** notice in the next column.

Looking to the new financial year, both the PPC and Finance Committee have recently approved a contribution of £6,000 towards the cost of a new kitchen at [Joe's Place](#) which supports some of the most needy and vulnerable people in the area. Other parishes in the Partnership have also contributed to the refurbishments at [Joe's Place](#).



**GIFT FOR LIFE Cameras at the ready!** Following the success of the 2021 *Gift for Life* Calendar, we are now planning the 2022 version and thought that all you budding photographers would appreciate an early warning. The theme this time is 'The Changing Seasons' and

full details of the competition are set out on the parish website [here](#). You don't need to submit any entries until September but please get out with your camera during the year to support our fundraising. It would be great to have more of our young people involved this time too. Spread the word! The *Gift for Life* group continues to meet monthly by Zoom with our next meeting on 24 June at 7pm. If you would like to attend or find out more please contact us via [giftforlife20@gmail.com](mailto:giftforlife20@gmail.com)

**THANK YOU FROM BALAMMA SATRAM** We have recently received a letter from Mary Skaag in which she writes:

*Dear Fr Peter, Gift for Life Committee and Parishioners, Today I received your cheque of £1800.00 in favour of our charity Balamma Satram. On behalf of us all here and the recipients in India, I thank you so much for your continued support for the work we are undertaking among the poor in our village of Balamma Satram.*

*Over the past eighteen months there has been very little opportunity to fund raise and I say 'hats off to you all' for all the efforts that you have made to ensure that the people in India and Kenya have continued to have a life-line of support. Covid has killed so many in India, but due to the care that has been taken, Balamma Satram remains free from infection. Your continued work for us is very much appreciated and I thank you all once again for your kindness and generosity. We continue to pray for each other. Love and God Bless. Mary.*

**ACTIVITIES SHEETS WEEK 61** We've a June quiz and crossword and mindfulness colouring sheet plus a children's activity sheet for you all this week. All activities can be found on the parish website [here](#) together with the previous week's answers (just under the link for that week's newsletter). You'll find all previous sheets there too. Enjoy!

**PARISH OFFERTORY DONATIONS** If you would like to set up a standing order for your regular contributions to the parish and/or *Gift for Life*, 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 Sunday Mass or to drop off items for the Food Bank. Thank you.

**UPDATE - FOOD DONATIONS FOR THE FOOD BANK & REFUGEE PROJECT** Please note if you're not able to or would rather not shop for the Food Bank we're happy to accept a cash donation to shop on your behalf.

Currently we are well stocked with teabags & cereal.

**Please could you focus upon donating: UHT milk, pasta sauces, tinned tomatoes, baked beans, soup, kidney beans, chickpeas, all vegetables, fruit, custard, hot dogs, coffee, jam, toothpaste, mayonnaise, shampoo, shower gel, antiperspirant, feminine hygiene and sweets for the kids.**

We appreciate any other non-perishable items such as: hot dogs, fruit squash, hot chocolate, toilet rolls, sugar, tuna, long grain rice etc. - all gratefully received.

Every Thursday volunteers are in church between 9.30am - 10.30am so parishioners can drop donations off then 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. You can also bring donations if you are coming to church for Mass. Thank you.

**Drop off points - for donations of food or cash remain the same:**

**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 386760) - leave donations in the back garden.

**CONTINUING THE JOURNEY** Some people may feel that they would like to pause and reflect at the end of their RCIA journey, whilst others may be asking what next after RCIA? For anyone who has completed an RCIA programme, we are offering an opportunity to continue the process of learning and sharing the Faith, using video and group discussion, through five online Zoom sessions in June/July. These will take place on Wednesdays at 7.00pm beginning on 30 June, followed by 7, 14, 21 and 28 July. Each session will last for one hour. Please register at <https://forms.office.com/r/LMPReCA8nK> or contact Faith & Mission by email at [adminfaith.mission@diocesehn.org.uk](mailto:adminfaith.mission@diocesehn.org.uk).

**MINSTERACRES RETREAT CENTRE Volunteers Wanted!** Set in 110 acres of beautiful woodland and parkland, Minsteracres offers peaceful surroundings and a place to recharge batteries for those who need support after such challenging times. If you would like to share skills or make new ones or meet new people, please contact Minsteracres Retreat Centre at [www.minsteracres.org](http://www.minsteracres.org) email [info@minsteracres.org](mailto:info@minsteracres.org)

**CAUSE FOR THE CANONISATION OF BLESSED JOHN INGRAM**  
Blessed John Ingram (1565 - 1594) was a Reformation martyr who was executed on Gateshead High Street for ministering to the faithful of this region. During his ministry, he was assisted and sheltered by local aristocrats, but was eventually apprehended and convicted on a charge of high treason. An on-line petition has been set up to gain support for his cause. For the petition and more information on Blessed John Ingram, please [click here](#). You can also [read more](#) about him on the Diocesan website's *Northern Saints* page.

**A MESSAGE FROM THE DIOCESAN YOUTH MINISTRY TEAM (YMT)** *Hope you are all well. We are happy to announce and invite you to an open day to reconnect at the Emmaus Youth Village on Saturday 3 July 2021. It is a little last minute due to the current climate.*

*The day will start at 11am and the timetable will run until 3pm with a 'Sing Along; Hymns Old and New', a quiz and a BBQ. It is £5 entry that can be paid on the door with cheque, cash or card which will cover you for the BBQ and quiz entry. The bar will also be open serving alcohol and soft drinks.*

*It is an outdoor event so depending on weather you may want to bring an umbrella or gazebo.*

*We hope you will come and are looking forward to seeing you on Saturday 3 July.*

*Please reply to email [admin@ymt.org](mailto:admin@ymt.org) to let us know you're coming and how many in your group.*

### **Jen's Weekly Prayer - Corpus Christi**

To know that someone can reach out to you and know that you will hold them is a beautiful gift for both parties.

You give us that each day of our lives.

All we have to do is ask and you will listen,  
a gentle parent a loving friend.

As we share the pain and sadness of those we love  
we can also bring comfort,

To hold them and let them feel that they are loved for  
who they are is special.

Unspoken communication can bring peace  
which comes from you,

To feel the trust of someone in pain is to feel your hand.

To trust when all seems darkness is a total sharing  
of our our deepest self.

You give us challenges and hold us steady  
in your ever enfolding palm.

You are food and drink not only in hunger and thirst  
but in a constant stream of Love and endless renewal.

You are the Father, the Friend the Restorer of Peace.

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### **Prayer of St Thomas Aquinas**

Come, then, good Shepherd, bread divine,

Still show to us thy mercy sign;

Oh, feed us, still keep us thine;

So we may see thy glories shine  
in fields of immortality.

O thou, the wisest, mightiest, best,

Our present food, our future rest,

Come, make us each thy chosen guest,

Co-heirs of thine, and comrades blest

With saints whose dwelling is with thee.

**First Reading***Exodus 24:3-8*

Moses went and told the people all the commands of the Lord and all the ordinances. In answer, all the people said with one voice, 'We will observe all the commands that the Lord has decreed.' Moses put all the commands of the Lord into writing, and early next morning he built an altar at the foot of the mountain, with twelve standing-stones for the twelve tribes of Israel. Then he directed certain young Israelites to offer holocausts and to immolate bullocks to the Lord as communion sacrifices. Half of the blood Moses took up and put into basins, the other half he cast on the altar. And taking the Book of the Covenant he read it to the listening people, and they said, 'We will observe all that the Lord has decreed; we will obey.' Then Moses took the blood and cast it towards the people. 'This' he said 'is the blood of the Covenant that the Lord has made with you, containing all these rules.'

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God**

**Responsorial Psalm***Psalm 115:12-13. 15-18. R/v.13*

*Response: **The cup of salvation I will raise;  
I will call on the Lord's name.***

1. How can I repay the Lord  
for his goodness to me?  
The cup of salvation I will raise;  
I will call on the Lord's name.
2. O precious in the eyes of the Lord  
is the death of his faithful.  
Your servant, Lord, your servant am I;  
you have loosened my bonds.
3. A thanksgiving sacrifice I make:  
I will call on the Lord's name.  
My vows to the Lord I will fulfil  
before all his people.

**Second Reading***Hebrews 9:11-15*

Now Christ has come, as the high priest of all the blessings which were to come. He has passed through the greater, the more perfect tent, which is better than one made by men's hands because it is not of this created order; and he has entered the sanctuary once and for all, taking with him not the blood of goats and bull calves, but his own blood, having won an eternal redemption for us. The blood of goats and bulls and the ashes of a heifer are sprinkled on those who have incurred defilement and they restore the holiness of their outward lives; how much more effectively the blood of Christ, who offered himself as the perfect sacrifice to God through the eternal Spirit, can purify our inner self from dead actions so that we do our service to the living God. He brings a new covenant, as the mediator, only so that the people who were called to an eternal inheritance may actually receive what was promised: his death took place to cancel the sins that infringed the earlier covenant.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the living bread which has come down from heaven,  
says the Lord.

Anyone who eats the bread will live for ever.

Alleluia!

**Gospel***Mark 14:12-16. 22-26*

The Lord be with you.

**And with your spirit.**

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb was sacrificed, his disciples said to Jesus, 'Where do you want us to go and make the preparations for you to eat the Passover?' So he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, 'Go into the city and you will meet a man carrying a pitcher of water. Follow him, and say to the owner of the house which he enters, "The Master says: Where is my dining room in which I can eat the Passover with my disciples?" He will show you a large upper room furnished with couches, all prepared. Make the preparations for us there.' The disciples set out and went to the city and found everything as he had told them, and prepared the Passover. And as they were eating he took some bread, and when he had said the blessing he broke it and gave it to them. 'Take it,' he said 'this is my body.' Then he took a cup, and when he had returned thanks he gave it to them, and all drank from it, and he said to them, 'This is my blood, the blood of the covenant, which is to be poured out for many. I tell you solemnly, I shall not drink any more wine until the day I drink the new wine in the kingdom of God.' After psalms had been sung they left for the Mount of Olives.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

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**Act of Spiritual Communion**

**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.**