



He took pity on them because they were like sheep without a shepherd, and he set himself to teach them at some length. *Mark 6:34*

THE PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST PHILIP NERI

Immaculate Heart of Mary ▪ Lobley Hill

St Mary ▪ Wickham

St Philip Neri ▪ Dunston

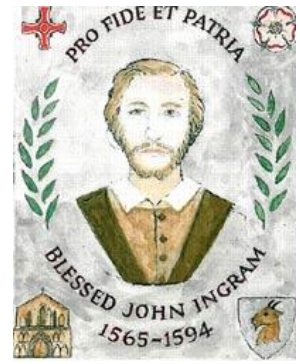
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The Sixteenth Sunday of the Year

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The Parish Secretary, Julie Hindmarsh, will be in the Parish Office at Immaculate Heart Presbytery this week on Tuesday 20 July & Friday 23 July between 10am - 2pm.

She can also be contacted Tuesday - Friday, 10am - 2pm

by email stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk or by telephone 0191 460 4274/07891 162205.

- **THE PUBLIC CELEBRATION OF MASS AT OUR THREE CHURCHES** Please see the notice on the next page about the resumption of Saturday Vigil and Sunday Masses at St Philip Neri and St Mary's Churches from 10/11 July. 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 Saturday evening or Sunday morning, please follow the 'booking-in' system detailed on the next page.
- Live broadcasts of Mass from various locations and at various times can be found via the Diocesan website www.rcdhn.org.uk and on the following website: www.churchservices.tv
- As part of the pastoral care of parishioners and others during the 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.

Where Mass times are listed below, Mass will be celebrated in the church indicated.

Where no time or church is listed, the Mass is not a public celebration.

If you wish to attend The Saturday Vigil or Sunday Masses, please 'book-in' (see next page).

Saturday 17 July Vigil Mass	5.30pm	St Philip Neri	People of the Parish
Sunday 18 July	9.00am	St Mary	James Cunningham (dec.)
Sixteenth Sunday of the Year	10.30am	Immaculate Heart	John Collinson (dec.)
Monday 19 July	-	-	Priest's Intention
Tuesday 20 July	-	-	Maureen Curry (dec.)
Wednesday 21 July	-	-	In Thanksgiving (AC)
Thursday 22 July <i>St Mary Magdalene</i>	-	-	Joe Howstan (dec.)
Friday 23 July <i>St Bridget of Sweden</i>	-	-	Matthew Bullock (dec.)
Saturday 24 July <i>The Martyrs of the Diocese</i>			
Vigil Mass	5.30pm	St Philip Neri	Austin Mallett (dec.) and Family
Sunday 25 July	9.00am	St Mary	People of the Parish
Seventeenth Sunday of the Year	10.30am	Immaculate Heart	Recipients of Prayer Shawls

Readings at Mass this week: Ordinary Time Week 16, Year 1

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS Daniel Harrison and Geoff Taylor who have died recently. May they rest in peace. Amen.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Raymond Deponio, Barney Hayes, Maria Thi Kien Chiene Le, John Leitch, Pauline Mulholland, Astrid Muse (Gower), Joseph Relph, Mary Sibbald, Barbara Stephenson, George & Simon Turnbull.

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).

RESUMPTION OF MASSES AT ST MARY'S AND ST PHILIP NERI CHURCHES

A message from Fr Peter:

Please note the times of Saturday Vigil/Sunday Masses in our three churches are now:

Saturday 5.30pm at St Philip Neri Church

Sunday 9.00am at St Mary's Church

Sunday 10.30am at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church

Until further notice, please 'book in' if you intend to attend any of these Masses following the procedure outlined below.

I hope that the public celebration of some weekday Masses will also re-commence in the near future and they will be as announced in the weekly newsletter. You will not have to 'book in' for weekday Masses but you will need to sign in if you are attending a weekday Mass.

I should like to express my sincere gratitude to our volunteer stewards and our employed cleaners for their ongoing commitment in enabling our churches to be open and providing a safe environment for us to be able to worship together as a parish community.

If you would like to join our group of dedicated volunteer stewards, please contact Katie Wilkinson tel. 07837 386760 or email teachkate1@icloud.com

BOOKING IN FOR THE SATURDAY VIGIL & SUNDAY MORNING MASSES

In order to ensure that all those coming to any of our three churches for Mass 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 expected unless a person has an exemption from this. At all times whilst in church, you should observe social distancing (i.e. 2 metres) from anyone not in your household or support bubble.

A one-way system is in place in church, plus hand sanitisers at the entrance and exit. Once in church, please be guided by the volunteer stewards.

There is also a poster on display with the church'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.

Please note from Sunday 11 July there will no longer be a recorded Mass available on our Parish YouTube channel.

However, Masses broadcast from other locations can be viewed via the diocesan website www.rcdhn.org.uk or www.churchservices.tv



GIFT FOR LIFE - PLANTS FOR LIFE!

Following the success of the recent plant sale, the *Gift for Life* Group is pleased to announce a similar event this Sunday 18 July after the 9.00am Mass at St Mary's Church, Whickham.

Your donation will not only secure one or more healthy specimens, it will support our causes in India, Kenya and locally that so desperately need our help at present. Also, if you have any spare plants (indoor or outdoor) to donate we would be delighted to receive these. Either bring them along on the day or drop us a note on giftforlife20@gmail.com to arrange collection. Thank you for your ongoing kindness and support. The *Gift for Life* group continues to meet monthly by Zoom with our next meeting on 22 July at 7pm. If you would like to attend or find out more, please contact us via giftforlife20@gmail.com

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.

OUR PARISH SVP CONFERENCE AMALGAMATION Now that our three churches have been amalgamated into one parish since 2018, it seems appropriate for our SVP Conferences to be merged into one. The aim of this merger is to take a more co-ordinated view of what is required across our whole parish and to prioritise where support is most needed. As parishioners within our churches, you have been so generous with your donations and we hope that we can rely on your continued generosity of spirit, support and contributions in the SVP box at the entrance of each church, SVP envelopes and through Gift Aid. All pre-pandemic donations and future donations from our three churches, will be collected centrally and distributed appropriately by the 'Parish SVP Headquarters' which is at St Mary's, Whickham. Most importantly, please remember, if you know of anyone who requires support from the SVP (not necessarily Catholic), you can let Fr Peter know, or speak in confidence to Paul Cummings, President of Our Lady and St Philip Neri Parish SVP Conference or to your church's Safeguarding Representative. God Bless and Thank You.

DANIEL HARRISON RIP Daniel is the son of Tony Daunt's wife, Judith. Tony would like to thank everyone for their kindness during this very difficult time and asks you to keep praying for the family. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen.

ACTIVITIES SHEETS WEEK 67 We've a bumper week for you this weekend to celebrate the beginning of the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games. So on that theme, there's an Olympic quiz, plus Picture Round, a Word search and Word Sudoku. We've also got more Flags and Posters to print/make to help cheer on Team GB. In addition, there are two mindfulness colouring sheets. Finally there's a Kids Jungle activity sheet, a Summer "I Spy" challenge and a Scavenger Hunt. Enjoy! All activities, plus BOTH last week's and this week's answers can be found on the parish website, so there's no need to wait. As stated last week, with everything 'opening up' on 19 July, alongside all of our three churches now being open for Mass, this week's activity sheets will be last. We certainly hope they've helped to keep at least some of you entertained, occupied or simply distracted over the last 67 weeks. (ALL previous sheets can still be viewed so why not go back and see what's there (just look under the link for that week's newsletter). Have a good summer and stay safe.

A message from Fr Peter *Very many thanks to Jo (Williams) for providing these inventive and wide-ranging activities for us over the past sixty seven weeks! I'm sure they have challenged and entertained many of us and helped to keep the grey cells busy!*

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.

Please could you focus upon donating: UHT milk, long grain rice, cereal, tinned tuna, sweet corn (plus other vegetables), fruit, custard, meatballs, hot dogs, rice pudding, fruit squash, crisps, deodorant, shower gel, shampoo & sweets for the kids. We appreciate any other nonperishable items such as: laundry powder/liquid, kitchen roll, toilet rolls, tinned soup, coffee, biscuits 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.

DIOCESAN BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT The Diocesan Emmaus Bereavement Support Team has created resources to support you and your loved ones during times of bereavement and loss. We offer these prayers in solidarity, and we want you to know that the Church community is praying with you, and you are not alone. For further information please visit www.rcdhn.org.uk/faithandmission/bereavement.php or contact the Bereavement Support Team tel. 07732 980740. There are also some cards available at the back of church.

Jen's Weekly Prayer

The tide ebbs and flows as it moves the sand
beneath its rhythmic force.
Removed from rock and cliff sand is swept along
filtered and strained.

This wonderful minute item can be transformed into
objects of almost indescribable beauty and form
by the skilled hands of craftsmen who blow the glass
and those who etch these delicate transformed objects.
Colours can be laid by their skilled hands as their gifts
pour forth like the molten liquid before them.

Our lives are shaped by our words and actions.

We can create great works of art,
make functional and useful choices which enable others
to develop their unique patterns.

It is in the risk taking and the willingness
to accept the challenges,

some like the tiny grains of sand

can become a masterpiece or a Pearl of great price,
if we offer our time ourselves our gifts.

Each grain is significant to accomplish the finished piece.
Help us to mould our grains and encourage and enable
others to share theirs as we like the tide ebb and flow in
our daily lives together in harmony peace and love.

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A Prayer to the Creator

Lord, Father of our human family,
you created all human beings equal in dignity:
pour forth into our hearts a fraternal spirit
and inspire in us a dream of renewed encounter,
dialogue, justice and peace.

Move us to create healthier societies
and a more dignified world,
a world without hunger, poverty, violence and war.

May our hearts be open
to all the peoples and nations of the earth.
May we recognize the goodness and beauty
that you have sown in each of us,
and thus forge bonds of unity, common projects,
and shared dreams. Amen.

From Pope Francis' Encyclical 'Fratelli Tutti'

(On Fraternity and Social Friendship)

First Reading*Jeremiah 23:1-6*

'Doom for the shepherds who allow the flock of my pasture to be destroyed and scattered – it is the Lord who speaks! This, therefore, is what the Lord, the God of Israel, says about the shepherds in charge of my people: You have let my flock be scattered and go wandering and have not taken care of them. Right, I will take care of you for your misdeeds – it is the Lord who speaks! But the remnant of my flock I myself will gather from all the countries where I have dispersed them, and will bring them back to their pastures: they shall be fruitful and increase in numbers. I will raise up shepherds to look after them and pasture them; no fear, no terror for them any more; not one shall be lost – it is the Lord who speaks! 'See, the days are coming – it is the Lord who speaks – when I will raise a virtuous Branch for David, who will reign as true king and be wise, practising honesty and integrity in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel dwell in confidence. And this is the name he will be called: The Lord-our-integrity.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm*Psalm 22. R/v.2***Response**

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

1. The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures
where he gives me repose.
Near restful waters he leads me,
to revive my drooping spirit.
2. He guides me along the right path;
he is true to his name.
If I should walk in the valley of darkness
no evil would I fear.
You are there with your crook and your staff;
with these you give me comfort.
3. You have prepared a banquet for me
in the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing.
4. Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me
all the days of my life.
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell
for ever and ever.

Second Reading*Ephesians 2:13-18*

In Christ Jesus, you that used to be so far apart from us have been brought very close, by the blood of Christ. For he is the peace between us, and has made the two into one and broken down the barrier which used to keep them apart, actually destroying in his own person the hostility caused by the rules and decrees of the Law. This was to create one single New Man in himself out of the two of them and by restoring peace through the cross, to unite them both in a single Body and reconcile them with God. In his own person he killed the hostility. Later he came to bring the good news of peace, peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near at hand. Through him, both of us have in the one Spirit our way to come to the Father.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation*John 10:27*

Alleluia, alleluia!

The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice,
says the Lord, I know them and they follow me.
Alleluia!

Gospel*Mark 6:30-34*

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

The apostles rejoined Jesus and told him all they had done and taught. Then he said to them, 'You must come away to some lonely place all by yourselves and rest for a while'; for there were so many coming and going that the apostles had no time even to eat. So they went off in a boat to a lonely place where they could be by themselves. But people saw them going, and many could guess where; and from every town they all hurried to the place on foot and reached it before them. So as he stepped ashore he saw a large crowd; and he took pity on them because they were like sheep without a shepherd, and he set himself to teach them at some length.

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.