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Exodus 16:15

THE PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST PHILIP NERI

Immaculate Heart of Mary ▪ Lobley Hill

St Mary ▪ Wickham

St Philip Neri ▪ Dunston

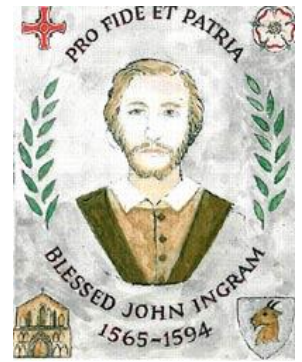
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The Eighteenth Sunday of the Year

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The Parish Secretary, Julie Hindmarsh, will be in the Parish Office at Immaculate Heart Presbytery this week on Tuesday & Friday 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.

- **PUBLIC CELEBRATION OF MASS IN OUR THREE CHURCHES** If you intend to come to church on Saturday evening or Sunday morning, please follow the 'booking-in' system detailed on the next page. If you are coming to a weekday Mass (Tuesday & Thursday), you do not have to 'book in' but you will need to sign in when you arrive. Remember that in the present circumstances, you are under no obligation to attend Mass on Sundays or Holydays of Obligation.
- 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 31 July *St Ignatius of Loyola*

Vigil Mass	5.30pm	St Philip Neri	Canon Michael McCoy (dec.)
Sunday 1 August	9.00am	St Mary	Paul Elliott (dec.)
Eighteenth Sunday of the Year	10.30am	Immaculate Heart	People of the Parish
Monday 2 August	-	-	Priest's Intention
Tuesday 3 August <i>St Oswald</i>	9.30am	Immaculate Heart	Michael (dec.) and Ann Short
Wednesday 4 August <i>St John Vianney</i>	-	-	Oxley, Crilly & O'Brien Families
Thursday 5 August	9.30am	St Mary	Arthur Williams (dec.)
Friday 6 August <i>The Transfiguration of the Lord</i>	-	-	Priest's Intention
Saturday 7 August			
Vigil Mass	5.30pm	St Philip Neri	Mary McNabola (dec.)
Sunday 8 August	9.00am	St Mary	In Thanksgiving (Platinum Ann. of Religious Profession)
Nineteenth Sunday of the Year	10.30am	Immaculate Heart	People of the Parish

Readings at Mass this week: Ordinary Time Week 18, Year 1

This Sunday, in the Sacrament of Baptism, we welcome into the Family of the Church Tommy Joe Henderson

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Raymond Deponio, Barney Hayes, Clare Jolly-Lingard, 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).

CELEBRATION OF MASSES IN OUR THREE CHURCHES

A message from Fr Peter:

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 the Saturday Vigil or Sunday morning Masses following the procedure outlined below.

Please note, if you are planning to attend a weekday Mass, you do not have to 'book in' but you will need to sign in when you arrive.

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@gmail.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 the Saturday Vigil or Sunday morning Masses 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 and 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 there is no longer 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 Thank you to everyone involved in raising £135 for *Gift for Life* as a result of 'Plants for Life' at St Mary's Church on Sunday 18 July. We are really grateful to the generous parishioners who donated the plants and to all those who contributed to this excellent total.

Thank you for your ongoing kindness and support.

CAMERAS AT THE READY! Following the success of the 2021 *Gift for Life* Calendar, we are planning the 2022 version. The theme this time is 'The Changing Seasons' and full details of the competition are set out [here](#) on the parish website. 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 meets regularly by Zoom with our next meeting on 23 September 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 any of our three churches for 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. **Please could you focus upon donating: UHT milk, dried pasta, tinned meat (corned beef, pea etc.), tomatoes, sweet corn plus other vegetables, soup, rice pudding, fruit, custard, meatballs, hot dogs, & sweets for the kids.** We also appreciate any other non-perishable items such as: cereal, fruit squash, biscuits, crisps, long grain rice, laundry powder/liquid, kitchen roll, toilet rolls, 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.

MESSAGE FROM TONY DAUNT "Judith and myself would like to say thank you to everyone for their prayers, cards, flowers and support at this sad time. Many thanks to Fr Peter too. Thank you and God bless you all for your kindness. Tony Daunt"

DIOCESAN YEAR OF THE EUCHARIST Bishop Robert has announced the Year of the Eucharist will be celebrated in the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle and will be launched during Mass at St. Mary's Cathedral on Sunday 17 October 2021.

The aims of the Year of the Eucharist are:

To celebrate the Eucharist at the heart of the life and mission of the Church and to gather people back.

To grow as a Diocese in our love and appreciation of the Eucharist.

To deepen our appreciation of the liturgical celebration of the Eucharist through the rites.

To revitalise and renew our faith through a deepening prayer and devotion of the Eucharist.

To go out and serve the world through the nourishment of the Eucharist.

The Year of the Eucharist will be celebrated in Episcopal Areas, Partnerships, Parishes and Schools and will provide a framework of prayer for the Diocese's participation in the first stage of the Synod called for by Pope Francis and to be held in 2023.

THE SYNOD 2023 will begin with a period of consultation and discernment from 17 October this year. The Synod, which is entitled '*For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, Mission*', will involve consultation with all of the faithful across the world. For more information and the processes involved, please visit www.cbcew.org.uk/synodal-church/

CATHOLIC CERTIFICATE IN RELIGIOUS STUDIES (CCRS) 2021-2022 The Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies is managed and awarded by the Board of Religious Studies on behalf of the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales. The programme seeks to ensure that participants have a basic understanding of the central beliefs of the Catholic faith. This programme is available for catechists, lay leaders and other adults wishing to deepen their understanding of the Catholic Faith and Catholic Education, serving teachers in Catholic and other schools, and teachers in training preparing to take up posts in Catholic schools. The CCRS course programme is now available for 2021-2022 and there is a short presentation currently available to view on the Diocesan website: www.edurcdhn.org.uk/courses/courses_ccrs.php

For further information, please contact Eamonn Diffley at the Diocesan Department for Education on 0191 243 3313 or email education@diocesehn.org.uk

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.

ONGOING FAITH WITNESS AGAINST HASSOCKFIELD In October, the Home Office plans to open an Immigration Removal Centre at Hassockfield on the site of the former Medomsley Detention Centre, Consett. This will be for 80 women seeking asylum in the UK. The proposal is inhumane, unjust and incompatible with our faith which calls us to recognise the intrinsic dignity of each person. These women are people like ourselves who have the right to a place of safety and to be treated with respect and compassion. **A monthly prayer vigil will be held at the barrier to Hassockfield on the first Sunday of each month at 3pm starting this Sunday 1 August.** This will last for about 30 minutes and will incorporate a time of silent witness. Please support this with your prayer and, if at all possible, come along. For further information, please contact lizarchibald.justiceandpeace@gmail.com

Jen's Weekly Prayer

Spirit of love your elements surround us
within the fire of love.

Your voice speaks to us in the wind of risk taking
and the challenge of change.

You engage us in a dialogue of reason,
enlightenment and hope.

You have born within us the essential gifts
to carry forth your word.

Strengthen us to accept the fruits of our baptismal water
to be nourished and refreshed.

To love those we meet to listen to your guiding word
knowing we are wrapped in the life giving warmth
of your unconditional love.

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Prayer for the Transfiguration of the Lord, 6 August

On the mountain you were transfigured, O Christ God,
and your disciples beheld your glory
as far as they were able
so that when they would behold You crucified,
they would understand that Your suffering was voluntary,
and would proclaim to the world,
that You are truly the radiance of the Father.

*Kontakion of the Holy Transfiguration of Our Lord God
and Saviour Jesus Christ*

First Reading*Exodus 16:2-4. 12-15*

The whole community of the sons of Israel began to complain against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness and said to them, 'Why did we not die at the Lord's hand in the land of Egypt, when we were able to sit down to pans of meat and could eat bread to our heart's content! As it is, you have brought us to this wilderness to starve this whole company to death!' Then the Lord said to Moses, 'Now I will rain down bread for you from the heavens. Each day the people are to go out and gather the day's portion; I propose to test them in this way to see whether they will follow my law or not.' I have heard the complaints of the sons of Israel. Say this to them, "Between the two evenings you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have bread to your heart's content. Then you will learn that I, the Lord, am your God." And so it came about: quails flew up in the evening, and they covered the camp; in the morning there was a coating of dew all round the camp. When the coating of dew lifted, there on the surface of the desert was a thing delicate, powdery, as fine as hoarfrost on the ground. When they saw this, the sons of Israel said to one another, 'What is that?' not knowing what it was. 'That' said Moses to them 'is the bread the Lord gives you to eat.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm*Psalms 77:3-4. 23-25. 54. R/ v.24*

Response: The Lord gave them bread from heaven.

1. The things we have heard and understood,
the things our fathers have told us,
we will tell to the next generation:
the glories of the Lord and his might.
2. He commanded the clouds above
and opened the gates of heaven.
He rained down manna for their food,
and gave them bread from heaven.
3. Mere men ate the bread of angels.
He sent them abundance of food.
He brought them to his holy land,
to the mountain which his right hand had won.

Second Reading*Ephesians 4:17. 20-24*

I want to urge you in the name of the Lord, not to go on living the aimless kind of life that pagans live. Now that is hardly the way you have learnt from Christ, unless you failed to hear him properly when you were taught what the truth is in Jesus. You must give up your old way of life; you must put aside your old self, which gets corrupted by following illusory desires. Your mind must be renewed by a spiritual revolution so that you can put on the new self that has been created in God's way, in the goodness and holiness of the truth.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation*Matthew 4:4*

Alleluia, alleluia!

Man does not live on bread alone,
but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.
Alleluia!

Gospel*John 6:24-35*

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

When the people saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they got into boats and crossed to Capernaum to look for Jesus. When they found him on the other side, they said to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come here?' Jesus answered:

'I tell you most solemnly, you are not looking for me because you have seen the signs but because you had all the bread you wanted to eat. Do not work for food that cannot last, but work for food that endures to eternal life, the kind of food the Son of Man is offering you, for on him the Father, God himself, has set his seal.'

Then they said to him, 'What must we do if we are to do the works that God wants?' Jesus gave them this answer, 'This is working for God: you must believe in the one he has sent.' So they said, 'What sign will you give to show us that we should believe in you? What work will you do? Our fathers had manna to eat in the desert; as scripture says: He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'

Jesus answered:

'I tell you most solemnly, it was not Moses who gave you bread from heaven, it is my Father who gives you the bread from heaven, the true bread; for the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.'

'Sir,' they said, 'give us that bread always.' Jesus answered:

'I am the bread of life. He who comes to me will never be hungry; he who believes in me will never thirst.'

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.