



Jesus said "I tell you most solemnly, everybody who believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life." *John 6:47-48*

THE PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST PHILIP NERI

Immaculate Heart of Mary ▪ Lobley Hill

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Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle

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The Nineteenth Sunday of the Year

Year B

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 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
Monday 9 August <i>St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross</i>	-	-	Priest's Intention
Tuesday 10 August <i>St Laurence</i>	9.30am	Immaculate Heart	Matthew (Matty) Bullock (dec.)
Wednesday 11 August <i>St Clare of Assisi</i>	-	-	Priest's Intention
Thursday 12 August	9.30am	St Mary	Private Intention (AH)
Friday 13 August	-	-	Priest's Intention
Saturday 14 August <i>St Maximilian Mary Kolbe</i>	-	-	-
Vigil Mass	5.30pm	St Philip Neri	People of the Parish
Sunday 15 August	9.00am	St Mary	Diane Elizabeth Johnson (ann.)
Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary	10.30am	Immaculate Heart	Geoff Taylor (dec.)

Readings at Mass this week: Ordinary Time Week 19, Year 1

This Sunday, in the Sacrament of Baptism, we welcome into the Family of the Church Charlie Hugh Copeland

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Kath Airey, 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

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.

Fr Peter would like to express his 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 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 - 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, cereal, 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 appreciate any other non-perishable items such as: laundry powder/liquid, kitchen roll, toilet rolls, fruit squash, biscuits, crisps, 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.

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/

DIOCESAN VACANCIES The Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle has the following vacancies:

Lay University Chaplain, Sunderland. Full-time, term-time. Closing date 11 August.

Caritas Refugee Project Worker based in Newcastle. 12 hours per week. Mon, Wed and Fri, 10am – 2pm. 12-month fixed term contract. Closing date 12 August.

Parish Secretary, St Bede's, Bedlington. 10 hours per week. Closing date 20 August. Lay University Chaplain, Sunderland. Full-time, term-time. Closing date 11 August.

Cleaner, St Matthew's, Jarrow. 6 hours per week. Closing date 17 August. For further information and details of how to apply please visit website www.rcdhn.org.uk or tel. 0191 243 3301

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

YMT BBQ The Youth Ministry Team (YMT) would like to invite you to a BBQ at the Emmaus Youth Village with a *Sing-Along: Live Hymns Old and New*, next Sunday 15 August from 12 noon - 4.00pm. The bar will remain open after 4.00pm. Tickets are £5 and cover BBQ and Quiz entry. Accommodation is available. Card payments only - payment will be taken on the day of arrival. **Booking is essential.** For room pricing and to book rooms or tickets, please email phillip.salkeld@ymt.org

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

Sunlight filtered through unfurled branches
spreads a golden hue.

The hidden life within us glimpsed and the promise
of a greener tomorrow is momentarily caught.

We can choose to see only the barren twig
or we can reach out and persevere to find
the hidden greenness yet to be.

Do we with our loved ones sometimes only see
the plain and uninteresting.

Have we forgotten the tender shoot
which flourished into our love?

Our love is like that young twig ready to flourish
with the gentle caress of sunlight changing it
from the ordinary to extraordinary, death to life.

If we banish harsh words and patiently wait for
what we know is hidden within.

Our love may, like the joyous brightness of springtime
shine and our prayers be never silent.

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Lord of Life and Love

Lord of life and love,

as we give thanks for times past,

grant us courage to embrace the present

and grace to share the future.

In memory of loved ones dear,

kindle their flame to shine in the dark

and light the path ahead.

Show the way that leads to life

as we cherish days gone by

and inspire us with the touch of love

that faith and hope live on.

Annabel Shilson-Thomas

First Reading*1 Kings 19:4-8*

Elijah went into the wilderness, a day's journey, and sitting under a furze bush wished he were dead. 'Lord,' he said 'I have had enough. Take my life; I am no better than my ancestors.' Then he lay down and went to sleep. But an angel touched him and said, 'Get up and eat.' He looked round, and there at his head was a scone baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank and then lay down again. But the angel of the Lord came back a second time and touched him and said, 'Get up and eat, or the journey will be too long for you.' So he got up and ate and drank, and strengthened by that food he walked for forty days and forty nights until he reached Horeb, the mountain of God.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm*Psalm 33:2-9. R/ v.9*

Response: Taste and see that the Lord is good.

1. I will bless the Lord at all times,
his praise always on my lips;
in the Lord my soul shall make its boast.
The humble shall hear and be glad.
2. Glorify the Lord with me.
Together let us praise his name.
I sought the Lord and he answered me;
from all my terrors he set me free.
3. Look towards him and be radiant;
let your faces not be abashed.
This poor man called; the Lord heard him
and rescued him from all his distress.
4. The angel of the Lord is encamped
around those who revere him, to rescue them.
Taste and see that the Lord is good.
He is happy who seeks refuge in him.

Second Reading*Ephesians 4:30 – 5:2*

Do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God who has marked you with his seal for you to be set free when the day comes. Never have grudges against others, or lose your temper, or raise your voice to anybody, or call each other names, or allow any sort of spitefulness. Be friends with one another, and kind, forgiving each other as readily as God forgave you in Christ. Try, then, to imitate God, as children of his that he loves, and follow Christ by loving as he loved you, giving himself up in our place as a fragrant offering and a sacrifice to God.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation*John 6:51*

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.

Alleluia!

Gospel*John 6:41-51*

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

The Jews were complaining to each other about Jesus, because he had said, 'I am the bread that came down from heaven.' 'Surely this is Jesus son of Joseph' they said. 'We know his father and mother. How can he now say, "I have come down from heaven"?' Jesus said in reply, 'Stop complaining to each other.

'No one can come to me unless he is drawn by the Father who sent me, and I will raise him up at the last day. It is written in the prophets: They will all be taught by God, and to hear the teaching of the Father, and learn from it, is to come to me. Not that anybody has seen the Father, except the one who comes from God: he has seen the Father. I tell you most solemnly, everybody who believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your fathers ate the manna in the desert and they are dead; but this is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that a man may eat it and not die. I am the living bread which has come down from heaven. Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world.'

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.