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**THE PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST PHILIP NERI**

**Immaculate Heart of Mary ▪ Lobley Hill  
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The John Ingram Partnership  
Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle

**6 February 2022**

**Fifth Sunday of the Year**

**Year C**

*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](mailto:stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk) or by telephone 0191 460 4274/07891 162205.*

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- Live broadcasts of Mass from various locations and at various times can be found via the Diocesan website [www.diocesehn.org.uk](http://www.diocesehn.org.uk) and on the following website: [www.churchservices.tv](http://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

*Please note public weekday Masses this week are on Tuesday and Thursday as indicated below*

Saturday 5 February <i>St Agatha</i>	5.30pm	St Philip Neri	Gerard Cailey (ann.)
Sunday 6 February	9.00am	St Mary	People of the Parish
<b>Fifth Sunday of the Year</b>	10.30am	Immaculate Heart	Private Intention
Monday 7 February			
Tuesday 8 February	9.30am	Immaculate Heart	Deceased of the Corrigan family
Wednesday 9 February			
Thursday 10 February <i>St Scholastica</i>	9.30am	St Mary	John & Elizabeth Arnold (ann.)
Friday 11 February <i>Our Lady of Lourdes (World Day of Prayer for the Sick)</i>			
Saturday 12 February	5.30pm	St Philip Neri	Deceased of the Ewing Family (dec.)
Sunday 13 February	9.00am	St Mary	Audrey Isobel Gleeson (dec.)
<b>Sixth Sunday of the Year</b>	10.30am	Immaculate Heart	People of the Parish
<i>Day of Special Prayer for Racial Justice</i>			

*Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 9.00am on Tuesday at Immaculate Heart and 9.00am on Thursday at St Mary's*

*Readings at Mass during the week: Week 5 Year 2*

*This Sunday, in the Sacrament of Baptism, we welcome Ella Rose Quinn into the Family of the Church*

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK:** Raymond Deponio, Julia Gill, Barney Hayes, Clare Jolly-Lingard, Maria Thi Kien Chiene Le, Kath Lee, John Leitch, Pauline Mulholland, Astrid Muse (Gower), Joseph Relph, Freya and Neave Ruddick, Barbara Stephenson, 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).**

### Current Diocesan COVID Controls

Until further notice, arrangements for our three churches will be as follows:

- Stewards will continue for the time being
- Hand sanitiser will continue to be offered as you enter and leave church
- **Face coverings are recommended whilst in church**
- **Social distancing of 1 metre (minimum) between households/bubbles is recommended at all times**
- Test, track & trace system is still recommended. To facilitate this, there is a poster on display in each church with the church's QR code which can be scanned using the NHS COVID-19 app (to download the app to your mobile phone, visit [www.covid19.nhs.uk](http://www.covid19.nhs.uk)). Otherwise, please provide your name and contact details to one of the stewards as you arrive at church
- Booking-in for the Saturday Vigil and Sunday morning Masses is no longer required
- Altar Servers, Readers and Eucharistic Ministers may resume their ministries
- Hymn books and Mass cards may be used
- Congregational singing may resume (N.B. face masks recommended whilst singing)
- Holy Communion will continue to be distributed under one kind
- If anyone would like to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation/Confession, please speak to Fr Peter

For the most recent guidance published by the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales (CBCEW) and the Government, please follow the link below:

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/covid-guidance-collective-worship/>

If you would like to join our group of dedicated volunteer stewards, please contact Katie Wilkinson tel. 07837 386760 or email [teachkate1@gmail.com](mailto:teachkate1@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.

**THE NORTHEN CROSS** February edition is now available at the back of church, price £1.50.

**EMMAUS CONFIRMATION PROGRAMME** Candidates preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation are reminded their 3rd session is on Tuesday 8 February at 6:30pm - 8pm at St. Joseph's Community Centre, Blyadon.



The Diocesan Synod process has been moving ahead over the last couple of months, and we are now starting to collate the responses from all the diocesan groups and parishes.

This is how it will work:

- On Saturday 12 February, representatives from all the Partnerships across the diocese will gather with the Bishop and together they will reflect on the input and the process so far.
- Following this meeting, the Partnerships are asked to finalise their responses by 22 February and to pass these to their respective Episcopal Area meetings.
- The Lay Pastoral Forum, which includes representatives of all the Partnership and lay groups in the diocese, will compile all the responses received into a submission to the Bishop in early March.
- The Bishop will then consider this, plus the responses from the Clergy, Caritas, and other Diocesan groups, and produce his final submission by 8 April.
- At each stage, copies of the various submissions will be made available.

**OUR LADY AND ST PHILIP NERI AND THE SYNOD** With regard to our own parish response, you will recall that in November and December last year, three questionnaires with ten topic areas were made available to which parishioners were invited to respond. The responses received have now been collated and summarised and you can pick up a copy of those responses at Mass this weekend or they can be viewed online [here](#).

**FOOD DONATIONS FOR THE FOOD BANK & REFUGEE PROJECT UPDATE** Please note if you cannot or would rather not shop for the Food Bank, we're happy to accept a cash donation to shop on your behalf. Every week we follow the Trussell Trust guidance for the items we provide: <https://www.trusselltrust.org/get-help/emergency-food/food-parcel/>

**Items we REALLY NEED please and thank you - stocks of tinned produce are low:** dried chickpeas & lentils, tinned fruit, custard, rice pudding, tomatoes, baked beans, all vegetables, potatoes, chickpeas, kidney beans, meat (corned beef, pek, spam) & tuna, long grain rice, tomato purée, pasta sauce, laundry powder/gel, shampoo, shower gel, cooking oil, washing up liquid, spray cleaner, toilet rolls, kitchen roll, toothpaste.

**Other items we put into the weekly food bags:** jam, hotdogs, meatballs, tea, coffee, squash, sugar, biscuits, sweets, pasta, UHT Milk, cereal, antiperspirant, feminine hygiene.

Every Thursday volunteers are in Immaculate Heart Church between 9.30am -10.30am so parishioners can drop donations off then if they wish - please come in to say 'Hello' and see what we're up to.

Any queries please contact Katie Wilkinson, 1 Mayfield, Whickham either via mobile 07837 386760 or email [teachkate1@gmail.com](mailto:teachkate1@gmail.com)



**OUTREACH HOUSING GATESHEAD** Exactly one year ago, Outreach Housing was born after some of our Outreach Group attended a webinar presentation given by **Green Pastures**, a national Christian charity that seeks to end homelessness. We recognised that an urgent need in Gateshead was to provide a home for new refugees who have recently received right to remain and to offer them support until they are ready to take the next step in settling and creating a new life in the UK. In October, our Diocese became a partner of Green Pastures and in December the charity bought a house in Bensham for us to lease and to turn into a home for three refugees.

We are grateful to all those who have supported us in so many ways. Please keep this project and especially our first residents in your prayers. This is an exciting but very new venture and we can only do this if we work and pray together as a community. Thank you especially to those who volunteered to clean the house last Tuesday and to those who cleared the small front garden and backyard. We are also grateful for the donations we have received of a fridge freezer and washing machine, furniture, curtains and kitchen equipment.

The project has, however, incurred a number of expenses including the installation of a new boiler at a cost of £2100. We are appealing for donations to cover this cost and the cost of various smaller items as we fit out the house with necessary furnishings and equipment. For example we need to purchase stepladders, iron and ironing board, doormat etc.

We have also been strongly advised by Green Pastures to set up a contingency fund for future repairs and expenses as we go forward. If you would like to donate to this fund, there are a number of options:

- **One-off Bank Transfer to 'DHN Outreach Housing Gateshead'**  
**Sort Code 40-34-18 Account Number 54630076**
- **Regular donation by Standing Order (Bank details as above)**

*If you want to Gift Aid either of the above options, please contact Anne Porter for a form:  
[anne@outreachhousing.co.uk](mailto:anne@outreachhousing.co.uk) or 07963 304364*

- **Donation via the Diocesan website - please click [here](#) or use the Donate Button at the top of the Diocesan website homepage [www.diocesehn.org.uk](http://www.diocesehn.org.uk) and then search for 'Outreach' or 'Housing'.**
- **Cash donation: please place in an envelope marked 'Outreach Housing' and leave at the back of church or in the presbytery letter-box at Immaculate Heart. If you wish your donation to be Gift Aided, then please use a green Gift Aid envelope which you can find at the back of church and mark the envelope 'Outreach Housing'.**

If you would like to find out more or offer any practical support e.g. fundraising, communication, please contact Mary Hughes: [mary@outreachhousing.co.uk](mailto:mary@outreachhousing.co.uk) or tel. 07962 126304. Thank you.

**MONTHLY PRAYER VIGIL AT DERWENTSIDE IMMIGRATION REMOVAL CENTRE** A monthly interfaith prayer vigil has been held outside the barrier to the Derwentside Immigration Removal Centre (IRC) since August. During the last few weeks, women have been moved into the Centre which is now England's main IRC for women and will eventually detain 80 women who are seeking asylum. The prayer vigils will continue - both to pray for the women and to stand in solidarity with them. As a faith community, we are called to witness to justice and compassion. Please participate in the prayer vigil if you can. The next dates planned are **Sunday 6 February, Sunday 6 March and Sunday 3 April**. The vigil begins at 3.00pm and the short prayer service incorporates a time of silence. The postcode for the centre on Corbridge Road, Medomsley is DH8 6QY. To avoid disruption to local residents, park away from the site if you can. If you are unable to join in person, please join in prayer from home at 3.00pm. For more information, contact Liz Archibald at [lizchibald.justiceandpeace@gmail.com](mailto:lizchibald.justiceandpeace@gmail.com)

**ITEMS FOR THE NEWSLETTER** If you have any items for the newsletter, please either email to [stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk](mailto:stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk) or post through the presbytery letterbox at Immaculate Heart **by 12 noon on Thursday 10 February**. Thank you.

#### **Jen's Weekly Prayer**

Brokenness, dashed hopes forlorn spirits.  
Deep days of darkness no illumination,  
stillness but not peace.  
Darkness without light  
no chinks no revelations, untouched.  
Take this Lord and reshape the darkness with the light of  
illumination and understanding.  
Fashion a beginning where smiles and welcoming light  
replace the pain.  
Help us to feel touched and held:  
replace our emptiness with hope.  
Fill us with tranquility and peace.  
Help us to be able to reach out with a welcoming hand  
bringing hope and light.  
Enable us to help others.  
May we grow like the springtime tree clothed in new life  
to live again in hope, in joy and in love.

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#### **Prayer for the Sick**

Hear our prayer, O God, and heal  
the many illnesses that afflict us in body, mind and soul.  
Bring comfort to those who suffer.  
Bring consolation to those who despair.  
Bring strength to those of us who walk with the sick.  
Bring hope to all for whom the path to healing  
is long or may not end.  
Let us never forget your special care for the sick,  
that they may also know they are precious and loved.  
Amen.

Our Lady of Lourdes, pray for us.

*The Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes (World Day of Prayer for the Sick) is celebrated on Friday 11 February*

**First Reading***Isaiah 6:1-8*

In the year of King Uzziah's death I saw the Lord seated on a high throne; his train filled the sanctuary; above him stood seraphs, each one with six wings.

And they cried out one to another in this way,  
'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts,  
His glory fills the whole earth.'

The foundations of the threshold shook with the voice of the one who cried out, and the Temple was filled with smoke.  
I said:

'What a wretched state I am in! I am lost,  
for I am a man of unclean lips  
and I live among a people of unclean lips,  
and my eyes have looked at the King, the Lord of Hosts.'  
Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding in his hand  
a live coal which he had taken from the altar with a pair of  
tongs. With this he touched my mouth and said:  
'See now, this has touched your lips,  
your sin is taken away, your iniquity is purged.'  
Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying:  
'Whom shall I send? Who will be our messenger?'  
I answered, 'Here I am, send me.'

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God****Responsorial Psalm***Psalm 137:1-5. 7-8. R/ v.1***R/ Before the angels I will bless you, O Lord.**

1. I thank you, Lord, with all my heart,  
you have heard the words of my mouth.  
Before the angels I will bless you.  
I will adore before your holy temple.
2. I thank you for your faithfulness and love  
which excel all we ever knew of you.  
On the day I called, you answered;  
you increased the strength of my soul.
3. All earth's kings shall thank you  
when they hear the words of your mouth.  
They shall sing of the Lord's ways:  
'How great is the glory of the Lord!'
4. You stretch out your hand and save me,  
your hand will do all things for me.  
Your love, O Lord, is eternal,  
discard not the work of your hand.

**Second Reading***1 Corinthians 15:1-11*

Brothers, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, the gospel that you received and in which you are firmly established; because the gospel will save you only if you keep believing exactly what I preached to you - believing anything else will not lead to anything.

Well then, in the first place, I taught you what I had been taught myself, namely that Christ died for our sins, in accordance with the scriptures; that he was buried; and that he was raised to life on the third day, in accordance with the scriptures; that he appeared first to Cephas and secondly to the Twelve. Next he appeared to more than five hundred of

the brothers at the same time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died; then he appeared to James, and then to all the apostles; and last of all he appeared to me too; it was as though I was born when no one expected it.

I am the least of the apostles; in fact, since I persecuted the Church of God, I hardly deserve the name apostle; but by God's grace that is what I am, and the grace that he gave me has not been fruitless. On the contrary, I, or rather the grace of God that is with me, have worked harder than any of the others; but what matters is that I preach what they preach, and this is what you all believed.

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The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.****Gospel Acclamation***Matthew 4:19*

Alleluia, alleluia!

Follow me, says the Lord,  
and I will make you fishers of men.

**Alleluia!****Gospel***Luke 5:1-11*

The Lord be with you

**And with your spirit**

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus was standing one day by the lake of Gennesaret, with the crowd pressing round him listening to the word of God, when he caught sight of two boats close to the bank. The fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats – it was Simon's – and asked him to put out a little from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat.

When he finished speaking he said to Simon, 'Put out into deep water and pay out your nets for a catch.' 'Master,' Simon replied 'we worked hard all night long and caught nothing, but if you say so, I will pay out the nets.' And when they had done this they netted such a huge number of fish that their nets began to tear, so they signalled to their companions in the other boats to come and help them; when these came, they filled the two boats to sinking point. When Simon Peter saw this he fell at the knees of Jesus saying, 'Leave me, Lord: I am a sinful man.' For he and all his companions were completely overcome by the catch they had made; so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were Simon's partners. But Jesus said to Simon, 'Do not be afraid; from now on it is men you will catch.' Then, bringing their boats back to land, they left everything and followed him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

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