



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

**Immaculate Heart of Mary ▪ Lobley Hill  
St Mary ▪ Whickham  
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The mystery of the Most Holy Trinity is the central mystery of Christian faith and life. It is the mystery of God in himself. *Catechism of the Catholic Church (No. 234)*

**12 June 2022**

**The Most Holy Trinity**

**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. Postal Address: St Mary's Presbytery, Malvern Gardens, Gateshead, Tyne and Wear NE11 9LL*

<b>Saturday 11 June</b>	<b>5.30pm</b>	<b>St Philip Neri</b>	People of the Parish
<b>Sunday 12 June</b>	<b>9.00am</b>	<b>St Mary</b>	Airey & Norman Families (In Thanksgiving)
<b><i>The Most Holy Trinity</i></b>	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>Immaculate Heart</b>	Melvyn George Gill (dec.)
Monday 13 June <i>St Anthony of Padua</i>			
Tuesday 14 June	10.45am	Immaculate Heart	Requiem Mass - Julia Agatha Gill RIP
	5.30pm	St Philip Neri	First Holy Communion Mass
Wednesday 15 June			
Thursday 16 June	12.45pm	St Mary	Requiem Mass - Mary Parker RIP
Friday 17 June	9.30am	St Mary	John & Elizabeth Arnold (ann.)
<b>Saturday 18 June</b>	<b>5.30pm</b>	<b>St Philip Neri</b>	Hannah Devon (dec.)
<b>Sunday 19 June</b>	<b>9.00am</b>	<b>St Mary</b>	Dawn Jackson (dec.)
<b><i>The Body and Blood of Christ</i></b>	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>Immaculate Heart</b>	People of the Parish
<b><i>Corpus Christi</i></b>			
<i>Day of Prayer for Human Life</i>			

*Sacrament of Reconciliation 5.00pm - 5.20pm on Saturday at St Philip Neri  
Friday 9.00am - 9.20am at St Mary's*

*Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Friday 9.00am - 9.25am at St Mary's*

*This Sunday, in the Sacrament of Baptism, we welcome Owen Brian Shaw into the Family of the Church*

*At Masses next weekend, 18/19 June, The Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ, our Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion will be invited to renew their commitment to their ministry*

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS** Fr Michael Keoghan, Julia Gill and Mary Parker who have died recently. The Requiem Mass for Julia Gill RIP will be on Tuesday 14 June, 10.45am at Immaculate Heart Church. The Requiem Mass for Mary Parker will be on Thursday 16 June, 12.45pm at St Mary's Church. May they rest in peace. Amen.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK:** Raymond Deponio, 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: awaiting appointment). 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:**

- If you are displaying any symptoms of Covid-19 you should stay at home and not travel to church or participate in person
- Stewards will continue for the time being
- Hand sanitiser will continue to be offered as you enter and leave church
- Face coverings - those who wish to wear a face covering may do so during the celebration of Mass
- Social Distancing - there is no requirement for social distancing but we should continue to be sensitive to the wishes of other people
- Ventilation – it is still important to ventilate our buildings. This has the effect of diluting and dispersing viral particles
- Holy Communion will continue to be distributed under one kind

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/>

**THE DAY OF PRAYER FOR HUMAN LIFE** is the day in the Church's year dedicated to raising awareness about the meaning and value of human life at every stage and in every condition. The Church teaches that life is to be nurtured from conception to natural death. **This year's Day for Life will be celebrated next Sunday, 19 June 2019. A retiring collection will be taken at all Masses next weekend 18/19 June** to support the work of the Anscombe Bioethics Centre ([www.bioethics.org.uk](http://www.bioethics.org.uk)) and other life-related activities supported by the Church. For further information, please visit the *Day for Life* website [www.dayforlife.org](http://www.dayforlife.org)

**FR MICHAEL MCKENNA** is celebrating his Diamond Jubilee of Priesthood on 16 June. Many of you will remember his time with us here in the parish. He is currently a resident in St Joseph's Home, Newcastle. The Home has allowed his family to celebrate Mass and have a small celebration on 18 June. Regrettably, size limitation means that others will not be able to attend, for which the family apologise. Please remember Fr Michael in your prayers.

**COFFEE MORNING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** Several parishioners have been asking if we can start the coffees after Sunday Mass at St Mary's again. To do this, and ensure it's not an arduous task, we need enough volunteers so that they will only be 'on duty' every few weeks. As all money raised goes to 'Gift for Life' this has been greatly missed at a time when available funds are depleted but the need is greater. If you feel you could spare at the most an hour occasionally or want to find out more, please see Sue Sacco at Mass or phone on 07914 266642. Many thanks.

**GIFT FOR LIFE SUMMER SOCIAL - Sunday 26 June from 2pm at St Mary's - Raffle tickets on sale now!** It's only two weeks until the 'family event of the year' at St Mary's Hall (and hopefully garden). Come rain or shine let's all get together to celebrate our wonderful parish community. Scones and cakes, entertainment from our school children and quizzes for all ages. And of course the raffle - with a first prize of a £50 Amazon Voucher and lots of other great prizes too – raffle tickets on sale today and next weekend, as well as on the day. Help make the event a big success by turning up from 2pm on 26<sup>th</sup> - please sign up on the sheet at the back of church to give us an idea of numbers. Also, please sign the sheet if you are able to make (or buy) a cake for the cake stall. If you wish to donate a raffle prize, please put this in the box at the back of church. Let's make this a great celebration while raising funds for some really worthwhile causes. Feel free to drop us an e-mail on [giftforlife20@gmail.com](mailto:giftforlife20@gmail.com)

**FOOD DONATIONS FOR THE FOOD BANK & REFUGEE PROJECT UPDATE** 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. Every week we follow the Trussell Trust guidance for the items we provide - please click on the link for more details: <https://www.trusselltrust.org/get-help/emergency-food/food-parcel/>

**We are short of most produce - even if you can only bring along 1 or 2 tins please bring them along to church to help out.**

**Priority items: tinned meat (corned beef, pek, spam), hot dogs, meatballs, chopped tomatoes, fruit, soup, baked beans, custard, rice pudding, soup, all vegetables, potatoes, sugar, long grain rice, UHT milk, squash, crisps, biscuits, tomato purée & toilet roll.**

**Other items we put into the weekly food bags: feminine hygiene (tampons), cooking oil, laundry powder/liquid, pasta, pasta sauce, jam, coffee, tea, shower gel, shampoo, antiperspirant, toothpaste, tinned kidney beans, chickpeas, tuna, sweets & all other non-perishable items.**

**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)

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING (PPC)** The next PPC meeting is scheduled to take place on Wednesday 6 July 2022. If you have any issues or queries you would like to raise, please contact one of your church representatives:  
Immaculate Heart - Allen Bell, Ann Short, Wendy O'Reilly, Maveen Pereira  
St Mary's - Phil Cunningham Janice Hall, Jen Jones, Tony Sacco  
St Philip Neri - Denise Hebron, John Pinchen, Michael Waugh, Katie Wilkinson  
Youth issues - David Khachikian Val Douglass, Joe Wheatley  
Financial matters - Malcolm Shield

**PARISH FINANCIAL STATEMENT** The parish annual returns for the Financial Year ended March 2022 have been completed and we are pleased to report that total funds have increased slightly from £303,354 to £305,876 and include balances held on our Parish Current account, St Mary's Hall Current account and our Parish Deposit account held centrally with the Diocese. Of this figure £292,757 belongs to the Parish with the sums of £7,758 and £5,361 being held on behalf of Gift for Life and the Foodbank projects. Offertory collections of £50,873 are 18.5% higher than last year as our churches opened again after lockdown but the Gift Aid claim of £8,511 is 36% down as it relates to the 2020/21 Financial Year when the churches were closed or attendance was restricted during that Financial Year. With the gradual return to normality it is only to be expected that we have seen increases in utility costs, repairs, staff wages, church requisites and general administration fees while our contribution to the Diocese in the form of a levy on income increased from £12,811 to £13,148.

Significant donations made by the parish during the year were £6,000 to Joe's Place (St Joseph's, Gateshead) towards the cost of a new kitchen and £3,000 to Outreach Housing to help fund the purchase of a property in Gateshead to accommodate refugees.

It is worth noting that we are in a more fortunate position than we would have been a few years ago when all offertories were collected via the church plate. The move to standing orders by many parishioners has certainly helped the parish through the uncertainty of the past 2 years and we thank you all for your continued financial support.

If any parishioners do not yet contribute by planned giving or standing order and would like to do so, please contact the Parish Office, email [stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk](mailto:stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk) or tel. 0191 460 4274. If you have access to internet banking, you can, if you wish, set up a standing order online for your regular contributions. The details required to do this are:

*Payee: DHN Gateshead: Our Lady and St Philip Neri*

*Sort code: 40-34-45*

*Account number: 21167936*

*Reference: insert your own name*

*Commencing: indicate commencement date*

*Frequency: each week/month/quarter/year*

You can also donate online directly to our Parish account via the diocesan website [here](#)

**CERTIFICATE IN PASTORAL MINISTRY – STARTING IN SEPTEMBER 2022** Are you currently involved in Church ministry but wish you knew more about your faith? Do you sometimes lack confidence and feel you could benefit from further training and formation? Do you want to grow in your faith and ministry and perhaps find new ways to share your gifts with others? We have a course designed just for you. The Certificate in Pastoral Ministry is an online, two-year learning experience created with the busy person in mind. It will take you on a journey of discovery about key aspects of the Catholic faith while helping you to reflect upon your own ministry and the ministry of others. To find out more join us online for one of our information evenings: Tuesday 14 June 2022 or Wednesday 22 June 2022 from 7.30pm – 9.00pm. To register your interest for one of the information evenings, or if you would like further information, please email [adminfaith.mission@diocesehn.org.uk](mailto:adminfaith.mission@diocesehn.org.uk).

**THE DIOCESAN SUBMISSION TO THE UNIVERSAL SYNOD** has been completed and published. It can be viewed online at: <https://diocesehn.org.uk/news/diocesan-submission-to-universal-synod/>

**LOURDES HOSPITALITÉ AFTERNOON TEA CELEBRATION.** Lourdes Hospitalité will be hosting Afternoon Tea for Assisted Pilgrims on Sunday 26 June from 2pm - 4pm at St Aloysius Catholic Church, Prince Consort Road, Hebburn, NE31 1BE. Donations of cakes or scones would be greatly appreciated and any **willing volunteers** are requested to meet from 12 noon to help to make sandwiches and serve afternoon tea. Please RSVP by Sunday 19 June to email [lourdes@rcdhn.org.uk](mailto:lourdes@rcdhn.org.uk) or tel. 01665 602012.

**THE VISIT OF THE RELICS OF SAINT BERNADETTE OF LOURDES** In this much-anticipated national pilgrimage, we look forward to welcoming the relics of Saint Bernadette to St Mary's Cathedral on 1-2 October. More details will follow later.

**NEWSLETTER ITEMS** Please send any items for next weekend's Newsletter to the Parish Office **by 10.00am on Thursday 16 June.**

#### Jen's Weekly Prayer

Love is like a gossamer cloth of finest spun gold  
it envelopes but does not bind within its folds.

It allows freedom of movement  
as we weave our way through our journeys.  
So soft is its touch we are not always aware  
of the strength we gain from it.

Yet without the touch of love  
the freedom to be would not be so vibrant.  
It would be like pearls trapped always in their box  
never feeling the warmth of skin  
to allow them to glow back into their wondrous lustre.

Love grows when it is free  
the more we give the greater the deeper it can grow  
encircling but never tightening its hold  
free as the air to be shared and cherished  
with seeds planted for further growth  
like a canopy of luscious green shading  
and sheltering trees embracing never snaring.  
Continually fed by the gifts of giving and receiving of love  
to each other in our homes, communities, environment  
and all who share our lives  
unconditional love freely given the greatest gift of all.

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**First Reading***Proverbs 8:22-32*

The Wisdom of God cries aloud:  
 The Lord created me when his purpose first unfolded,  
 before the oldest of his works.  
 From everlasting I was firmly set,  
 From the beginning, before earth came into being.  
 The deep was not, when I was born,  
 There were no springs to gush with water.  
 Before the mountains were settled,  
 before the hills, I came to birth;  
 before he made the earth, the countryside,  
 or the first grains of the world's dust.  
 When he fixed the heavens first, I was there,  
 when he drew a ring on the surface of the deep,  
 when he thickened the clouds above,  
 when he fixed fast the springs of the deep,  
 when he assigned the sea its boundaries  
 and the waters will not invade the shore  
 when he laid down the foundations of the earth,  
 I was by his side, a master craftsman,  
 delighting him day after day,  
 ever at play in his presence,  
 at play everywhere in his world,  
 delighting to be with the sons of men.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Responsorial Psalm***Psalm 8:4-9. R/v.20*

**Response: How great is your name, O Lord our God,  
 through all the earth!**

1. When I see the heavens, the work of your hands,  
 the moon and the stars which you arranged,  
 what is man that you should keep him in mind,  
 mortal man that you care for him?
2. Yet you have made him little less than a god;  
 with glory and honour you crowned him,  
 gave him power over the works of your hand,  
 put all things under his feet.
3. All of them, sheep and cattle,  
 yes, even the savage beasts,  
 birds of the air, and fish  
 that make their way through the waters.

**Second Reading***Romans 5:1-5*

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, by faith we are judged  
 righteous and at peace with God, since it is by faith and  
 through Jesus that we have entered this state of grace in  
 which we can boast about looking forward to God's glory. But  
 that is not all we can boast about; we can boast about our  
 sufferings. These sufferings bring patience, as we know, and  
 patience brings perseverance, and perseverance brings hope,  
 and this hope is not deceptive, because the love of God has  
 been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit which has been  
 given to us.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Acclamation***cf. Apocalypse 1:8*

Alleluia, alleluia!

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy spirit,  
 the God who is, who was, and who is to come.  
 Alleluia!

**Gospel***John 16:12-15*

The Lord be with you.

**And with your spirit.**

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John.

**Glorify to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said to his disciples:

'I still have many things to say to you  
 but they would be too much for you now.  
 But when the Spirit of truth comes  
 he will lead you to the complete truth,  
 since he will not be speaking as from himself  
 but will say only what he has learnt;  
 and he will tell you of the things to come.  
 He will glorify me  
 since all he tells you  
 will be taken from what is mine.  
 Everything the Father has is mine;  
 that is why I said:  
 All he tells you  
 will be taken from what is mine.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

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