



The Immaculate Virgin, preserved free from all stain of original sin, when the course of her earthly life was finished, was taken up body and soul into heavenly glory, and exalted by the Lord as Queen over all things.

Catechism of the Catholic Church No. 966

THE PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST PHILIP NERI

Immaculate Heart of Mary ▪ Lobley Hill

St Mary ▪ Whickham

St Philip Neri ▪ Dunston

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Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle

14 August 2022

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

The Parish Secretary, Julie Hindmarsh, will be in the Parish Office at Immaculate Heart Presbytery this week on Friday between 10am - 2pm. She can also be contacted Wednesday - Friday 10am - 2pm by email stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk or by telephone 0191 460 4274/07891 162205.

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MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS 13 - 21 AUGUST 2022

Saturday 13 August	5.30pm	St Philip Neri	People of the Parish
Sunday 14 August	9.00am	St Mary	Diane Elizabeth Johnson (ann.)
The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary	10.30am	Immaculate Heart	Joe Welsh (dec.)
Monday 15 August			
Tuesday 16 August	9.30am	Immaculate Heart	Elizabeth Jukes (ann.)
Wednesday 17 August	9.30am	St Philip Neri	John & Rosie Grierson (dec.)
Thursday 18 August	9.30am	St Mary	Terry Spearman (dec.)
Friday 19 August			
Saturday 20 August	5.30pm	St Philip Neri	People of the Parish
Sunday 21 August	9.00am	St Mary	Teresa Kelly (dec.)
Twenty First Sunday of the Year (Year C)	10.30am	Immaculate Heart	Joseph & Cecilia Cobbing (ann.)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

5.00pm - 5.20pm on Saturday at St Philip Neri,

9.00am - 9.20am on Tuesday at Immaculate Heart and on Thursday at St Mary's

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

9.00am - 9.25am on Tuesday at Immaculate Heart, Wednesday at St Philip Neri and Thursday at St Mary's

Sacrament of Baptism

This Sunday, in the Sacrament of Baptism, we welcome Ronnie William Davison into the Family of the Church

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Raymond Deponio, Barney Hayes, Clare Jolly-Lingard, Maria Thi Kien Chiene Le, Kath Lee, John Leitch, Cheryl Anne McDonald, 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: Revd Paul Nichol). 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/>

SERVING TEAS AND COFFEES AFTER SUNDAY MORNING MASS - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

ST MARY'S It is hoped that, starting in September, on the first Sunday of each month, coffees will be available in the church hall after Mass. More volunteers are still very much needed before we would be able to operate on a weekly basis. If you could support us once every three or four months to help out please get in touch with Sue Sacco at Mass or phone on 07914 266642.

IMMACULATE HEART We are also hoping to start serving teas and coffees again after Sunday Mass at Immaculate Heart. To do this we need volunteers. **If you can help, please contact Eileen Aitken, after Mass or by phone on 0191 4408 603 or mobile 07530 336202.** Eileen looks forward to hearing from you! Many Thanks.

LITURGICAL FORMATION AND DAYS OF REFLECTION The Vicariate for Faith & Mission is pleased to share their Autumn calendar for Liturgical Formation (i.e. for new Readers - speak to Fr Peter if you interested in this) and Days of Reflection for Eucharistic Ministers of Holy Communion and Readers. Please visit <http://bit.ly/Liturgy2022> for further details or see the poster and information sheet on the parish notice board. Bookings should be made via the Parish Office. Further dates for other ministries will be announced in due course.

THE VICARIATE FOR FAITH AND MISSION has produced the 'Encountering the Holy Spirit' booklet which is the third in the series of reflection booklets booklet to accompany the Year of the Eucharist. The booklet is available to view on the Diocesan website from the following link: <https://bit.ly/3R2gJRZ>

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: shower gel, shampoo, antiperspirant, UHT milk, pasta sauce, tinned rice pudding, custard, sweetcorn, long grain rice, s & squash.

Other items we put into the weekly food bags: laundry powder/liquid, feminine hygiene (tampons & pads), toothpaste, toilet roll, dried pasta, cooking oil, tinned kidney beans, chickpeas, jam, coffee, tinned meat (corned beef, pek, spam), hot dogs, meatballs, tuna, soup, baked beans, fruit, custard, rice pudding, all vegetables, potatoes, sugar, sweets, crisps, biscuits, tomato purée & all other non-perishable

Every Thursday volunteers are in church between 9.30 - 10.30am so parishioners can drop donations off here 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

JOHN INGRAM PARTNERSHIP RCIA 2022-23 Are you interested in finding more about what being a Catholic means? Or are you interested in becoming a Catholic? Then this is the course for you. Meetings held each Tuesday night at St Patrick's Parish Centre, Felling beginning on Tuesday 6 September at 7.00pm. For further information please speak to Fr Peter or to Alan Egdell tel. 07976 402023.

ST BERNADETTE RELIC TOUR 2022 In September and October this year, the relics of St Bernadette will undertake a very special pilgrimage, journeying from Lourdes in France to cathedrals and churches across England, Scotland, and Wales. The relics will be arriving in our diocese at St Mary's Cathedral from 11am on Saturday 1 October until 11am on Sunday 2 October. For further information, please visit www.stbernadette.org.uk

HOLY ISLAND CHILDREN'S VINNIES CAMP 2022 There are still some places at this year's Holy Island Children's Camp, particularly in the last week of the School Summer Holiday. If you have a child/children in school years 5-7 who would like a week's residential holiday on Holy Island or you know of any children who would benefit from going to Camp this year, please email christinej@svp.org.uk for further information.

CATHOLIC CERTIFICATE IN RELIGIOUS STUDIES (CCRS 2022-2023) 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 2022-2023 and there is a short presentation which is now available on the Diocesan website: <https://diocesehn.org.uk/education/continuing-professional-development-and-formation/#ccrs>
If anyone would like further information, please contact Eamonn Diffley at the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle, Department for Education on tel. 0191 243 3313 or email education@diocesehn.org.uk

THE UNIVERSAL SYNOD

REFLECTION ON THE NATIONAL SYNTHESIS The Bishops of England and Wales, having carefully considered the Synodal National Synthesis, have now offered their initial reflections in the light of our shared faith in Christ and our shared belonging to his Church. To view these reflections, please go to www.cbcew.org.uk/bishops-reflection-synodal-national-synthesis/

THE NATIONAL SYNTHESIS reflects on the Synod reports received by the Bishops' Conference National Synthesis Team, discerning the main themes that have emerged from the listening conversations, and collating them together to give a picture of the synodal process in England and Wales. This can be viewed at <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/sites/3/2022/06/synod-national-synthesis-england-wales.pdf>

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/>

THE EMMAUS BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT SERVICE Whilst family and friends can be immensely supportive in coping with a bereavement, sometimes a bereaved person may wish to talk to someone outside of their immediate circle. The Emmaus Bereavement Support Team, trained in the Ministry of Consolation, is available to support those who wish to talk about their loss. Due to current restrictions, such conversations will most likely take place on the phone, but we hope as restrictions ease, it may be possible for people to meet face-to-face again. The Emmaus Bereavement Support Service number is 07732 980740 for anyone wishing to access this service.

NEWSLETTER ITEMS Please send any items for next weekend's Newsletter to the Parish Office **by 10.00am on Thursday 18 August.**

Jen's Weekly Prayer

The golden sphere glows with its soft gleaming light,
surrounded by an almost translucent pearly halo
in the gentle darkening summer sky.

A beauty unique unto itself so far away
yet almost within our grasp its light is so bright.

It does not burn as strong summer sun burns.

It does not scorch the earth and leave it barren of crops,
vines, vegetables the basic everyday staples we enjoy.
The rivers dry and plants wither before they can bloom.

Fires ravage trees which have stood for centuries.

All part of the pain and the beauty
we witness in the natural world at this time.

Help all nations and leaders to have the courage
and sense of urgency which is required
to save the huge wealth of natural beauty
and as yet unknown treasures yet to be made available
for the benefit of mankind.

Enable us to find the strength we need
as individuals and nations to treasure
the natural resources we have at our disposal and treat
them as the rare and exquisite items they really are.

Gifts for us to share and value
everyday items are not mundane but priceless.
May they not disappear like snow before the sun.

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Prayer for the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Almighty and everlasting God,
You have taken up body and soul
into the heavenly glory
the Immaculate Virgin Mary, Mother of Your Son:
Grant, we beseech You,
that, ever intent upon heavenly things,
we may be worthy to be partakers of her glory.
Through Jesus Christ Your Son, our Lord,
who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit,
One God, forever and ever. Amen.

Collect from The Roman Missal

Liturgy of the Word

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

First Reading

Apocalypse 11;19, 12;1-6, 10

The sanctuary of God in heaven opened and the ark of the covenant could be seen inside it.

Now a great sign appeared in heaven: a woman, adorned with the sun, standing on the moon, and with the twelve stars on her head for a crown. She was pregnant, and in labour, crying aloud in the pangs of childbirth. Then a second sign appeared in the sky, a huge red dragon which had seven heads and ten horns, and each of the seven heads crowned with a coronet. Its tail dragged a third of the stars from the sky and dropped them to the earth, and the dragon stopped in front of the woman as she was having the child, so that he could eat it as soon as it was born from its mother. The woman brought a male child into the world, the son who was to rule all the nations with an iron sceptre, and the child was taken straight up to God and to his throne, while the woman escaped into the desert, where God had made a place of safety ready. Then I heard a voice shout from heaven, 'Victory and power and empire for ever have been won by our God, and all authority for his Christ.'

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 44:10-12, 16

Response: On your right stands the queen, in garments of gold.

1. The daughters of kings are among your loved ones.
On your right stands the queen in gold of Ophir.
Listen, O daughter, give ear to my words:
forget your own people and your father's house.
2. So will the king desire your beauty:
He is your lord, pay homage to him.
They are escorted amid gladness and joy;
they pass within the palace of the king.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 15:20-26

Christ has been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep. Death came through one man and in the same way the resurrection of the dead has come through one man. Just as all men die in Adam, so all men will be brought to life in Christ; but all of them in their proper order: Christ as the first-fruits and then, after the coming of Christ, those who belong to him. After that will come the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, having done away with every sovereignty, authority and power. For he must be king until he has put all his enemies under his feet and the last of the enemies to be destroyed is death, for everything is to be put under his feet.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Mary has been taken up to heaven;
all the choirs of angels are rejoicing.
Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 1:39-56

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

A reading from the holy gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Mary set out and went as quickly as she could to a town in the hill country of Judah. She went into Zechariah's house and greeted Elizabeth. Now as soon as Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. She gave a loud cry and said, 'Of all women you are the most blessed, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. Why should I be honoured with a visit from the mother of my Lord? For the moment your greeting reached my ears, the child in my womb leapt for joy. Yes, blessed is she who believed that the promise made her by the Lord would be fulfilled.'

And Mary said:

'My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord
and my spirit exults in God my saviour;
because he has looked upon his lowly handmaid.
Yes, from this day forward all generations will call me
blessed,
for the Almighty has done great things for me.
Holy is his name,
and his mercy reaches from age to age for those who fear
him.

He has shown the power of his arm,
he has routed the proud of heart.
He has pulled down princes from their thrones and exalted
the lowly.

The hungry he has filled with good things, the rich sent
empty away.

He has come to the help of Israel his servant, mindful of his
mercy - according to the promise he made to our ancestors -
of his mercy to Abraham and to his descendants for ever.'

Mary stayed with Elizabeth about three months and then
went back home.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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