

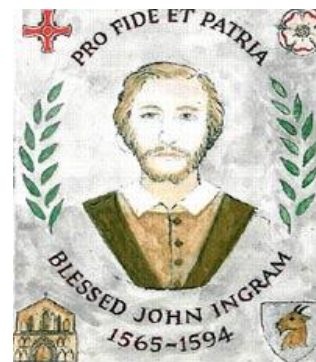


Cf. Psalm 144:14

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

30 October 2022

Thirty First 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 between 10am - 4pm & Friday between 10am - 2pm.

She can also be contacted Tuesday & Wednesday 10am - 4pm & Friday 10am - 2pm by email stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk or by telephone 0191 460 4274/07891 162205.

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MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS 29 OCTOBER - 6 NOVEMBER 2022

Saturday 29 October	5.30pm	St Philip Neri	People of the Parish
Sunday 30 October	9.00am	St Mary	Intentions of Terry Jackson & Family
Thirty First Sunday of the Year (Year C)	10.30am	Immaculate Heart	Mr & Mrs Henderson - Golden Wedding Anniversary
Monday 31 October All Saints Vigil Mass	6.30pm	Immaculate Heart	People of the Parish
Tuesday 1 November All Saints Holy Day of Obligation	9.30am	St Mary	Margaret & William Crilley (ann.) <i>(St Mary's School attending)</i>
Wednesday 2 November	9.30am	St Philip Neri	Mass for the Faithful Departed
Thursday 3 November	9.45am	St Mary	Requiem Mass - Helen Douglas RIP
Friday 4 November <i>St Charles Borromeo</i>			
Saturday 5 November	5.30pm	St Philip Neri	People of the Parish
Sunday 6 November	9.00am	St Mary	Jean Marc Martin (dec.)
Thirty Second Sunday of the Year (Year C)	10.30am	Immaculate Heart	Joe Welsh (dec.)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

5.00pm - 5.20pm on Saturday at St Philip Neri

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

9.00am - 9.25am on Wednesday at St Philip Neri

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS Helen Douglas who has died recently. The Requiem Mass for Helen will be at 9.45am on Thursday 3 November at St Mary's Church, followed by cremation at Mountsett Crematorium. May she 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, Cheryl Anne McDonald, Pauline Mulholland, Astrid Muse (Gower), Joseph Relph, 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/>

CLERGY TRAINING FUND COLLECTION This weekend 29/30 October there will be a retiring collection for the Diocesan Clergy Training Fund (the Fund will remain open until Sunday 20 November). There are envelopes at the back of church for any donations you may wish to Gift Aid.

THE SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS will be celebrated on Tuesday 1 November and is a Holyday of Obligation. Masses in the Parish will be celebrated at the following times:

**Vigil Mass Monday 31 October 6.30pm at Immaculate Heart
Morning Mass Tuesday 1 November 9.30am at St Mary's**

ALL SOULS Wednesday 2 November is the Commemoration of the Faithful Departed (All Souls). Mass will be celebrated at 9.30am at St Philip Neri.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday 1 November in Immaculate Heart Church at 1.30pm. If you enjoy knitting or crocheting (the patterns are easy, and wool can be provided) or if you are interested in what we hope to do with this ministry, please come along. All are welcome! For further information, please contact Joan McCoy tel. 0191 488 4395.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION 2022/2023 If your child is currently in Year 4 (or above) and they are not attending a Catholic School and you would like them to prepare to celebrate their First Holy Communion in 2023, please contact the Parish Office at Immaculate Heart as soon as possible, tel. 0191 460 4274 or e-mail stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk providing your name, address, telephone number and email address. Thank you.

PARISH HALF-YEAR FINANCIAL REPORT The finance report for the half-year ended September has been completed and it is encouraging to report that total funds have increased from £305,876 to £322,693. Of this figure, £307,356 belongs to the Parish with the remaining £15,337 being held on behalf of the Gift for Life, the Parish Foodbank and the Diocese. Offertory collections for the 6 months of £27,448 compare to £23,279 (+18%) for last year and £18,486 for 2020 (+48%) but are still 15.3% behind the pre-Covid £32,394 of 2019. The gradual improvement in offertory collections since the beginning of the pandemic is very welcome as we are starting to incur significant increases on our utility bills for each of our three churches, St Mary's Hall and Immaculate Heart Presbytery. The next few months will see major investment on the Dockendale Cottage roof and St Mary's church entrance while the boiler in Immaculate Heart presbytery has also recently been replaced. In total we can expect this spend to be in excess of £30,000 with the likely consequence of the half year surplus being eroded and there being a full year deficit by March 2023. Fortunately, we are in a relatively healthy financial position so we can hopefully absorb these essential repairs and still continue with our commitment to our parish mission and maintenance responsibilities. Thank you for your ongoing generosity which is much appreciated.

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.

PRIORITY ITEMS IN VERY SHORT SUPPLY: tinned meat, tinned vegetables, toilet rolls.

OTHER priority items: tinned baked beans, fruit, plus all tinned meat, tomato purée, crisps, toilet rolls & laundry powder/liquid.

Items we put into the weekly food bags: all tinned vegetables (including potatoes), tuna, chopped tomatoes, meatballs, hotdogs, custard, rice, cereal, plus dried pasta, biscuits, squash, gravy granules, ketchup, mayonnaise, coffee, sugar, toothpaste, feminine hygiene, antiperspirant, shampoo, shower gel, washing up liquid, plus all other non-perishable items.

This Thursday 3 November, volunteers will be in church between 9.30am - 10.30am so parishioners can drop off donations 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

CHILDRENS LITURGY AT ST MARY'S We are looking to restart the Children's Liturgy during Sunday Mass at St. Mary's and are in need of volunteers to help run it. Anyone willing to help will need safeguarding clearance. If you would be interested in getting involved, please contact David Khachikian via email at david_khachikian@hotmail.com or mobile on 07733 421970.

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

Safeguarding Administrator, Department for Safeguarding, Newcastle full-time permanent Closing date for applications: 9 November

Parish Secretary, St Joseph, Stanley part-time (24 hours), permanent

Closing date for applications: 11 November

Please visit www.diocesehn.org.uk for full details or contact us 0191 243 3301.

THE LINDISFARNE GOSPELS The Lindisfarne Gospels are currently on display at the Laing Art Gallery until 3 December 2022, on loan from the [British Library](http://www.britishlibrary.org).

The Lindisfarne Gospels has long been acclaimed as the most spectacular manuscript to survive from Anglo-Saxon England. It is a copy of the four Gospels, the biblical books recounting the life of Christ, along with the associated texts that typically form part of Gospel-books, such as chapter lists and letters written by St Jerome (d. 420).

The Lindisfarne Gospels will feature in a contemporary exhibition about its meaning in the world today and its relationship with themes of personal, regional and national identity.

Created on the Holy Island of Lindisfarne, the book represents the golden age of design and craftsmanship in Northumbria and has survived in almost perfect condition for over one thousand years.

The Lindisfarne Gospels will be accompanied by an exhibition about its meaning in the world today and exploring its relationship with themes of personal, regional and national identity in the Laing Art Gallery itself. The exhibition includes an immersive digital experience and includes a selection of early medieval treasures brought together from across the UK, while there is a new film by Turner Prize winning artist Jeremy Deller.

There is a programme of events throughout the North East to accompany the Gospels' time in the region with events in Durham, Northumberland, Sunderland and South Tyneside, and of course at the place the books were produced: The Holy Island of Lindisfarne.

You can find out more about the related events on the [Laing Art Gallery website](http://www.laingartgallery.org.uk).

Although entrance to the Laing Art Gallery is free, you will need a paid ticket to get access to the Lindisfarne Gospels exhibition. Prices vary at peak and off-peak times. To book your tickets, please visit the [Laing Art Gallery Website](http://www.laingartgallery.org.uk)

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. As the post-COVID restrictions have eased, support can now be offered face to face once again. The Emmaus Bereavement Support Service number is 07732 980740 - please leave your name and number and a member of the team will get in touch with you. Emmaus information cards are also available at the back of each of our churches.

NEWSLETTER ITEMS Please send any items for next weekend's Newsletter to the Parish Office **by 10.00am on Thursday 3 November.**

Jen's Weekly Prayer

The gentle music of the harp can engender joy or reflective peace deep within us.

It allows us to connect with ourselves in an unique way gently carrying us along giving us space simply to be.

We need our moments of quiet

to restore and reset our minds and hearts to dwell in the sacred place of the moment.

Give us please the courage to avail ourselves of our time of quiet in order that we may be restored and recognise others' need for a time of reflection, healing and peace.

Give thanks for our tranquility and rest, emerging strengthened and calmed, reflecting too the natural world, which is restored in its time of rest and growth to blossom once again filled with hope spreading joy.

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Prayer for Departed Loved Ones

God our Father,

Your power brings us to birth,

Your providence guides our lives,

and by Your command, we return to dust.

Lord, those who die still live in Your presence, their lives change but do not end.

I pray in hope for my family, relatives and friends,

and for all the dead known to You alone.

In company with Christ,

Who died and now lives,

may they rejoice in Your kingdom,

where all our tears are wiped away.

Unite us together again in one family,

to sing Your praise forever and ever.

Amen.



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First Reading

Wisdom 11:22-12:2

In your sight, Lord, the whole world is like a grain of dust that tips the scales, like a drop of morning dew falling on the ground.

Yet you are merciful to all, because you can do all things and overlook men's sins so that they can repent.

Yes, you love all that exists, you hold nothing of what you have made in abhorrence, for had you hated anything, you would not have formed it.

And how, had you not willed it, could a thing persist, how be conserved if not called forth by you?

You spare all things because all things are yours, Lord, lover of life, you whose imperishable spirit is in all.

Little by little, therefore, you correct those who offend, you admonish and remind them of how they have sinned, so that they may abstain from evil and trust in you, Lord.

The word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm*Psalm 144:1-2. 8-11. 13-14. R/ cf. v.1*

**Response: I will bless your name for ever,
O God my King.**

1. I will give you glory, O God my King,
I will bless your name for ever.
I will bless you day after day
and praise your name for ever.
2. The Lord is kind and full of compassion,
slow to anger, abounding in love.
How good is the Lord to all,
compassionate to all his creatures.
3. All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord,
and your friends shall repeat their blessing.
They shall speak of the glory of your reign
and declare your might, O God.
4. The Lord is faithful in all his words
and loving in all his deeds.
The Lord supports all who fall
and raises all who are bowed down.

Second Reading

II Thessalonians 1:11-2:2

We pray continually that our God will make you worthy of his call, and by his power fulfil all your desires for goodness and complete all that you have been doing through faith; because in this way the name of our Lord Jesus Christ will be glorified in you and you in him, by the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

To turn now, brothers, to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and how we shall all be gathered round him: please do not get excited too soon or alarmed by any prediction or rumour or any letter claiming to come from us, implying that the Day of the Lord has already arrived.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation*Luke 19:38*

Alleluia, alleluia!
Blessings on the King who comes,
in the name of the Lord!
Peace in heaven
and glory in the highest heavens!
Alleluia!

Gospel*Luke 19:1-10*

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus entered Jericho and was going through the town when a man whose name was Zacchaeus made his appearance; he was one of the senior tax collectors and a wealthy man. He was anxious to see what kind of man Jesus was, but he was too short and could not see him for the crowd; so he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to catch a glimpse of Jesus who was to pass that way. When Jesus reached the spot he looked up and spoke to him: 'Zacchaeus, come down. Hurry, because I must stay at your house today.' And he hurried down and welcomed him joyfully. They all complained when they saw what was happening. 'He has gone to stay at a sinner's house' they said. But Zacchaeus stood his ground and said to the Lord, 'Look, sir, I am going to give half my property to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody I will pay him back four times the amount.' And Jesus said to him, 'Today salvation has come to this house, because this man too is a son of Abraham; for the Son of man has come to seek out and save what was lost.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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