

THE PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST PHILIP NERI

Immaculate Heart of Mary ▪ Lobley Hill

St Mary ▪ Whickham

St Philip Neri ▪ Dunston

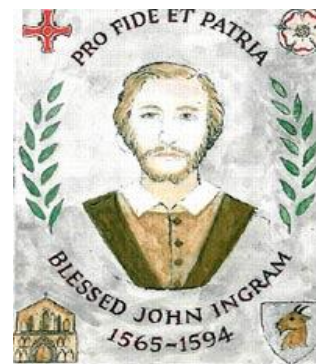
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The John Ingram Partnership
Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle

May the Lord turn your hearts towards the love of God and the fortitude of Christ.

II Thessalonians 3:5

6 November 2022

Thirty Second 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 5 - 13 NOVEMBER 2022

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.)
Monday 7 November <i>St Willibrord</i>			
Tuesday 8 November	9.30am	Immaculate Heart	Kathleen Watson (dec.)
Wednesday 9 November	9.30am	St Philip Neri	Rose McIntyre (dec.)
<i>The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica</i>			
Thursday 10 November <i>St Leo the Great</i>	9.30am	St Mary	George Turnbull (1 st ann.)
Friday 11 November <i>St Martin of Tours</i>			
Saturday 12 November <i>St Josaphat</i>	5.30pm	St Philip Neri	People of the Parish
Sunday 13 November	9.00am	St Mary	Deceased Family & Friends of the Cunningham Family
Thirty Third Sunday of the Year (Year C)	10.30am	Immaculate Heart	Freddy Bambrough (dec.)
<i>Remembrance Sunday</i>			

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, Thursday at St Mary's

Sacrament of Baptism

This Sunday, in the Sacrament of Baptism, we welcome Nina Renata & Alicia Aguiar De Brito 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, 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/>

SENIOR MOMENTS CHRISTMAS PARTY 2022 VOLUNTEERS

Our next meeting is at St Mary's Hall, Tuesday 1 November at 10am. Hope to see you there. Thank You!

SENIORS CHRISTMAS PARTY Our Christmas Party this year is on Wednesday 7 December at St Mary's. Mass will be celebrated at 11.00am followed by lunch and festivities at 11.30 am. There are lists at the back of each Church - please put your name on if you would like to come and, if you know of anyone who would like to come, but is unable to get to church, let us know and we may be able to arrange transport for them. Contact details are Michael Waugh 07923 485509, Denise Hebron 07554 445679 or Katie Wilkinson tel. 07837 386760 Thank you.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING (PPC) The next PPC meeting is scheduled to take place on Wednesday 23 November 2022. If you have any issues or queries you would like to raise, please contact one of your church representatives:

Immaculate Heart - Allan 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, Joe Wheatley

Financial matters - Malcolm Shield

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.

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 rice, custard, peas, sweetcorn, carrots, chopped tomatoes, potatoes, meat, dried pasta, UHT milk & laundry powder/liquid.

OTHER priority items - tinned hot dogs, fruit, crisps, long grain rice, cooking oil, toothpaste & antiperspirant.

Items we put into the weekly food bags: pasta sauce, meatballs, custard, rice, plus dried pasta, squash, , shower gel, washing up liquid, gravy granules, ketchup, mayonnaise, tomato purée, teabags, coffee, sugar, biscuits, shampoo, feminine hygiene plus all other non-perishable items.

This Thursday, 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

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.

THE NORTHERN CROSS November edition is on sale this weekend, price £1.50.

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.

LOVE CHRISTMAS – GET INVOLVED! Every Christmas the parish offers support to those in need at Christmas and this year we intend to continue with this invaluable outreach work, under the umbrella of the ecumenical UK charity *Love Christmas*.

The parish would like to repeat last year's amazing effort of supplying Christmas food hampers and presents to all recipients of the weekly Foodbank. Brigitte Jones will be organising the Angel Tree Project (for ease this year the gifts donated via The Angel Tree will also include the 46 children from the food bank families) and finally *Gift for Life* intend to sell handmade Christmas decorations and Christmas cards to help with their ongoing fund raising (dates of sales to be announced).

So how can you become involved? At the back of church, there will be a list of special food items for the hampers which you can donate (there'll be a box at the back of each church for these donations). You can opt to take a tag from the Angel Tree and donate a gift (please leave all gifts unwrapped). And finally, you can buy some new Christmas decorations and cards to support *Gift for Life*.

Whatever way you chose to commit to this year's Love Christmas project, someone somewhere will be benefiting during this Christmas season and will be truly grateful.

Reminders:

- At the back of each church there's a food list of special items for the hampers. Food items must be handed in by the end of the first full week of December (w/e 11 December) - there'll be a box at the back of each church for these donations.
- There will be an Angel Tree in each of our three churches - which will include the children from the food bank.
- **Nearer to Christmas we will be announcing dates requesting volunteers to come along to Immaculate Heart Church and help wrap all the presents for our Food Bank children and to organise the hampers - this huge task can only be successful with your brilliant support.**

Finally, if you would prefer someone else to shop for you, please feel free to donate cash.

Any queries please contact either Katie Wilkinson via email teachkate1@gmail.com telephone 07837 386760 or Denise Hebron via email denisehebron@yahoo.co.uk telephone 07554 445679

NEWMAN ASSOCIATION The next meeting of the Tyneside Circle of the Newman Association is on Wednesday 30 November at 7.30pm in the Church Hall at St Cuthbert's, North Shields, when Bernard Robinson will give a talk entitled "'All will be Saved' - Eventually: The Universal Salvation Debate".

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 10 November.**

Jen's Weekly Prayer

The landscape is glowing with deep golden hues suffused with green and multiple shades of brown, orange and yellow. A profusion of beauty gifted to us to watch as the leaves swirl and twist in the autumn sunshine sweeping and gliding in the wind.

These gifts then reveal the exquisite filigree of the bare branches as they with the whole tree prepare to rest, reflect, be still.

We too need time to be still, to be at one with ourselves, to accept the silence and hear it speak.

Give thanks for these creative wonders as the seasons change. Our natural world tries to help us, we have witnessed and drunk deep of the joys which nature has given us, guide us now to do our part in order that our children and grandchildren may too witness and drink in their grandeur. They have been loaned to us, grant that we may treasure these irreplaceable wonders which renew, feed and shelter us.

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Month of the Holy Soul - Prayer of Remembrance

God of our longing, hear our prayers protect our dreams, and listen to our silent hopes.

Deal gently with our pain, speak to our sadness, and remove the barriers that imprison our spirit.

Shed your light where shadows are cast, that we may feel your warmth and know your presence.

Give us courage to hold fast to our vision that we may build our world and create our future.

Amen.

Prayer by Annabel Shilson-Thomas/CAFOD

www.cafod.org.uk

First Reading*II Maccabees 7:1-2. 9-14*

There were seven brothers who were arrested with their mother. The king tried to force them to taste pig's flesh, which the Law forbids, by torturing them with whips and scourges. One of them, acting as spokesman for the others, said, 'What are you trying to find out from us? We are prepared to die rather than break the Law of our ancestors.'

With his last breath the second brother exclaimed, 'Inhuman fiend, you may discharge us from this present life, but the King of the world will raise us up, since it is for his laws that we die, to live again for ever.'

After him, they amused themselves with the third, who on being asked for his tongue promptly thrust it out and boldly held out his hands, with these honourable words, 'It was heaven that gave me these limbs; for the sake of his laws I disdain them; from him I hope to receive them again.' The king and his attendants were astounded at the young man's courage and his utter indifference to suffering.

When this one was dead they subjected the fourth to the same savage torture. When he neared his end he cried, 'Ours is the better choice, to meet death at men's hands, yet relying on God's promise that we shall be raised up by him; whereas for you there can be no resurrection, no new life.'

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm*Psalm 16:1. 5-6. 8. 15. R/v.15*

**Response: I shall be filled, when I awake,
with the sight of your glory, O Lord.**

1. Lord, hear a cause that is just,
pay heed to my cry.
Turn your ear to my prayer:
no deceit is on my lips.
2. I kept my feet firmly in your paths;
there was no faltering in my steps.
I am here and I call, you will hear me, O God.
Turn your ear to me; hear my words.
3. Guard me as the apple of your eye.
Hide me in the shadow of your wings.
As for me, in my justice I shall see your face
and be filled, when I awake, with the sight of your glory.

Second Reading*II Thessalonians 2:16 - 3:5*

May our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father who has given us his love and, through his grace, such inexhaustible comfort and such sure hope, comfort you and strengthen you in everything good that you do or say. Finally, brothers, pray for us; pray that the Lord's message may spread quickly, and be received with honour as it was among you; and pray that we may be preserved from the interference of bigoted and evil people, for faith is not given to everyone. But the Lord is faithful, and he will give you strength and guard you from the evil one, and we, in the Lord, have every confidence that you are doing and will go on doing all that we tell you. May the Lord turn your hearts towards the love of God and the fortitude of Christ.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation*Luke 21:36*

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus Christ is the First-born from the dead;
to him be glory and power for ever and ever. Alleluia!

Gospel*Luke 20:27-38*

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke.

Glorify to you, O Lord.

Some Sadducees - those who say that there is no resurrection - approached Jesus and they put this question to him, 'Master, we have it from Moses in writing, that if a man's married brother died childless, the man must marry the widow to raise up children for his brother. Well, then, there were seven brothers. The first, having married a wife, died childless. The second and then the third married the widow. And the same with all seven, they died leaving no children. Finally the woman herself died. Now, at the resurrection, to which of them will she be wife since she had been married to all seven?' Jesus replied, 'The children of this world take wives and husbands, but those who are judged worthy of a place in the other world and in the resurrection from the dead do not marry because they can no longer die, for they are the same as the angels, and being children of the resurrection they are sons of God. And Moses himself implies that the dead rise again, in the passage about the bush where he calls the Lord the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob. Now he is God, not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all men are in fact alive.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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