



God wanted all perfection to be found in him when he made peace by his death on the cross.  
Cf. Colossians 1:19-20

## THE PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST PHILIP NERI

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Our Lord Jesus Christ the King

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*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.*

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### MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS 19 - 27 NOVEMBER 2022

<b>Saturday 19 November</b>	<b>5.30pm</b>	<b>St Philip Neri</b>	People of the Parish
<b>Sunday 20 November</b>	<b>9.00am</b>	<b>St Mary</b>	Brenda Rebecca Robson (ann.)
<b>Our Lord Jesus Christ the King</b>	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>Immaculate Heart</b>	Living & deceased of the Staunton Family
<i>Day of Special Prayer for Young People</i>			
Monday 21 November	10.00am	St Philip Neri	Funeral Service – Ann Laidler RIP
Tuesday 22 November <i>St Cecilia</i>	9.30am	Immaculate Heart	Private Intention (AC)
Wednesday 23 November	9.30am	St Philip Neri	Thomas William Airey (dec.)
Thursday 24 November	9.30am	St Mary	James 'Jimmy' McGinley (dec.)
<i>St Andrew Dũng-Lac &amp; Companions</i>	12.15pm	St Mary	Funeral Service - Joseph Peters RIP
Friday 25 November			
<b>Saturday 26 November</b>	<b>5.30pm</b>	<b>St Philip Neri</b>	Joe, Josie O'Keefe & Family (dec.)
<b>Sunday 27 November</b>	<b>9.00am</b>	<b>St Mary</b>	People of the Parish
<b>First Sunday of Advent (Year A)</b>	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>Immaculate Heart</b>	Mr Evaristus Eze (ann.)

#### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

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

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

**RECENTLY DECEASED** Please remember in your prayers Ann Laidler and Joseph Peters who have died recently. 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, 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/>

**WORLD YOUTH SUNDAY** This Sunday 20 November, we celebrate the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ the King and World Youth Sunday when the Church across the globe reflects on the gift of young people and offers our prayers and support as we accompany them on their faith journey. Here in the Diocese the Youth Ministry Team (YMT) provides a variety of opportunities to support our young people. Check out YMT on social media (Facebook, Instagram, Twitter) and the website [www.ymt.org](http://www.ymt.org) **There will be a retiring collection at all Masses this weekend to support YMT.**

**THE CLERGY TRAINING FUND** remains open until this Sunday 20 November. There are envelopes at the back of church for any donations you may wish to Gift Aid.

**SENIORS CHRISTMAS PARTY is on Wednesday 7 December. if you would like to come, please let us know by next weekend 26/27 November.** Mass will be celebrated at 11.00am followed by lunch and festivities at 11.30 am. Include your name on the list at the entrance of Church and indicate whether you are vegetarian/vegan - Contact details are Michael Waugh 07923 485509, Denise Hebron 07554 445679 or Katie Wilkinson tel. 07837 386760 Thank you.

**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](mailto:david_khachikian@hotmail.com) or mobile on 07733 421970.

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

**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 hot dogs, meatballs, chopped tomatoes, baked beans, pasta sauce, UHT milk, shower gel.**

**OTHER priority items - tinned rice, custard, fruit, peas, sweetcorn, carrots, potatoes, tuna, meat, crisps, & long grain rice.**

**Items we put into the weekly food bags:** tinned custard, rice, plus pasta sauce, dried pasta, cooking oil, gravy granules, ketchup, mayonnaise, tomato purée, teabags, coffee, sugar, biscuits, feminine hygiene, shampoo, shower gel, laundry powder/liquid, washing up liquid, 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](mailto:teachkate1@gmail.com)

**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 by this Sunday 20 November:

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

**CHRISTMAS CARDS** are now on sale at the back of each of our churches.

**Gift for Life Christmas Cards and Decorations are also now available** Once again this year we have high quality Christmas Cards and lovely angel decorations for sale after weekend Masses. The cards are £3 for a pack of 8 and glass angels are £3.50 each or 3 for £10 with all profits going to support our *Gift for Life* causes. Grab yours while stocks last! Thank you.

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

**Cleaner, St Cuthbert, North Shields** - 3 hours per week

Closing date for applications: 24 November

**Parish Secretary, St Charles, Gosforth** - 12 hours per week

Closing date for applications: 30 November

**Cleaner, St Peter, Low fell, Gateshead** – 8 hours per week

Closing date for applications: 1 December

Please visit [www.diocesehn.org.uk](http://www.diocesehn.org.uk) for full details or contact us 0191 243 3301.

**LOVE CHRISTMAS - GETTING INVOLVED** Preparations for our annual Christmas outreach work are now well underway.

- **Christmas Hampers** - At the back of church there is the list of special food items required for the Christmas hampers which will be given to the Parish Food Bank recipients. Please put your special food donations in the box at the back of church. **Please note, all food donations must be in by the weekend of 11 December.**
- **Angel Tree** - This weekend sees the launch of 'The Angel Tree' please be as generous as you can in buying gifts for the children of families supported by the Parish Food Bank plus all the remaining donations will go to other children across Gateshead who may be risk of not receiving a present this year. **Please leave gifts unwrapped and include the gift tag taken from the tree - for more information, please see below.**
- **Gift for Life** - Another exciting launch this weekend - you'll be able to buy some amazing decorations and/or Christmas cards at the back of each church in aid of Gift for Life.
- Remember if you would prefer someone else to shop for you then please feel free to donate cash.
- Lastly - Thank you for your consistent, continued support and unbelievable generosity in everything the parish participates in. Whichever way you choose to support the Parish's Outreach work this Christmas, someone, somewhere will benefit and be very appreciative.

Any queries please contact either Katie Wilkinson via email [teachkate1@gmail.com](mailto:teachkate1@gmail.com) telephone 07837 386760 or Denise Hebron via email [denisehebron@yahoo.oc.uk](mailto:denisehebron@yahoo.oc.uk) telephone 07554 445679.

**Next week there will be further details about the packing and wrapping session - please look out for this date, come along and become one of Santa's Little Helper for a couple of hours at Immaculate H**

**ANGEL TREE APPEAL 2022** Brigitte Jones has organised this amazing outreach work for many years which this year, as always, launches this weekend, the Feast of Christ The King (19/20 November). The Angel Trees will be in each of our three churches and most of you will already know that the labels on the each of these trees bear the age and gender of a child at risk of not receiving a Christmas present.

This year, for ease, we are including tags for the 44 children who receive weekly support from the Parish Food Bank and any remaining presents will go to other children in need around Gateshead.

We ask that those of you who can afford it to please take a label (or two), buy a gift, leave it unwrapped, and return it with the label to one of our three churches by Sunday 11 December.

If anyone wants to buy a gift but is unable to shop, we are very happy to accept cash and someone will shop on your behalf. Any money given that is over and above the amount needed for gifts or food for the Christmas hampers will be donated to the Parish Food Bank to help continue with the weekly support required by 18 families in our area. **Please return all gifts to church by Sunday 11 December 2022.**

**CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT** by Westoe Brass Band, The Diocesan Choir and Ensembles from St Joseph's Academy, Hebburn. To be held on Friday 9 December at 7.30pm at St Joseph's Catholic Church, High West Street, Gateshead, NE8 1LX. Tickets are £10/£8 and only available on the door. U18s free admission. Cash and card accepted. Refreshments during the interval.

**ADVENT REFLECTIONS** The Diocesan Vicariate for Faith & Mission has produced a series of reflections on the Scripture Readings used throughout our Advent preparations. The reflections have been written by members of the Diocese and offer an opportunity to pause and reflect. The First and Second Weeks of these Advent reflections can now be downloaded from the Diocesan website - [bit.ly/DHNAdvent2022](http://bit.ly/DHNAdvent2022) or by searching for #DHNAdvent2022 on Facebook. The second part of the Advent reflections for Weeks Three and Four will be available shortly.

**NEWSLETTER ITEMS** Please send any items for next weekend's Newsletter to the Parish Office **by 10.00am on Thursday 24 November.**

### Jen's Weekly Prayer Youth Sunday

As we grow we weave our own cloaks,  
sometimes our threads become tangled  
and we need help to reset the loom  
yet the alteration does not damage these garments  
rather it enhances their value.

It is our task to encourage and allow  
the wealth of gifts and talents  
within our young people to flourish.

They are the future;

may they be without too many burdens of the past.

Their cloaks will be extraordinary  
if we allow them to carry on their task  
for we have woven our own garments.

Help us to reflect the joys and challenges  
and keep seeking and revelling  
in the simple and incredible images they are weaving  
as part of their story.

Assist us as we look back upon our own weaving  
and give thanks for the garments we have made  
unique to each of us.

May we allow ourselves the privilege  
to listen to their young voices  
gaining in strength and reassurance  
to wear their garments and watch them lengthen  
and glow like the bright light of morning  
and the almost translucent light of oncoming night.

Fill them with the perseverance they need  
to seek a future filled with love, peace, hope,  
light and joy, sharing and enriching the lives of all.

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**First Reading***II Samuel 5:1-3*

All the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron. 'Look' they said 'we are your own flesh and blood. In days past, when Saul was our king, it was you who led Israel in all their exploits; and the Lord said to you, "You are the man who shall be shepherd of my people Israel, you shall be the leader of Israel."' So all the elders of Israel came to the king of Hebron, and King David made a pact with them at Hebron in the presence of the Lord, and they anointed David king of Israel.

The word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God.**

**Responsorial Psalm***Psalm 121:1-5. R/ cf. v.2*

**Response: I rejoiced when I heard them say:**

**'Let us go to God's House.'**

1. I rejoiced when I heard them say:  
'Let us go to God's house.'  
And now our feet are standing  
within your gates, O Jerusalem.
2. Jerusalem is built as a city  
strongly compact.  
It is there that the tribes go up,  
the tribes of the Lord.
3. For Israel's law it is,  
there to praise the Lord's name.  
There were set the thrones of judgement  
of the house of David.

**Second Reading***Colossians 1:12-20*

We give thanks to the Father who has made it possible for you to join the saints and with them to inherit the light. Because that is what he has done: he has taken us out of the power of darkness and created a place for us in the kingdom of the Son that he loves, and in him, we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of our sins.

He is the image of the unseen God  
and the first-born of all creation,  
for in him were created  
all things in heaven and on earth:  
everything visible and everything invisible,  
Thrones, Dominations, Sovereignities, Powers –  
All things were created through him and for him.  
Before anything was created, he exists,  
And he holds all things in unity.  
Now the Church is his body,  
he is its head.  
As he is the Beginning,  
he was first to be born from the dead,  
so that he should be first in every way;  
because God wanted all perfection  
to be found in him  
and all things to be reconciled through him and for him,  
everything in heaven and everything on earth,  
when he made peace  
by his death on the cross.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Acclamation***Mark 11:9. 10*

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord!

Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David!

Alleluia!

**Gospel***Luke 23:35-43*

The Lord be with you.

**And with your spirit.**

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

The people stayed there before the cross watching Jesus. As for the leaders, they jeered at him. 'He saved others,' they said 'let him save himself if he is the Christ of god, the Chosen One.' The soldiers mocked him too, and when they approached to offer him vinegar they said, 'If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself.' Above him there was an inscription: 'This is the King of the Jews.'

One of the criminals hanging there abused him. 'Are you not the Christ?' he said. 'Save yourself and us as well.' But the other spoke up and rebuked him. 'Have you no fear of God at all?' he said, 'You got the same sentence as he did, but in our case we deserved it: we are paying for what we did. But this man has done nothing wrong. Jesus,' he said 'remember me when you come into your kingdom.' 'Indeed, I promise you,' he replied 'today you will be with me in paradise.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

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