



'Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me; and those who welcome me welcome the one who sent me.' Matthew 10:40

THE PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST PHILIP NERI

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The John Ingram Partnership
Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle

2 July 2023

Thirteenth Sunday of the Year

Year A

The Parish Secretary, Julie Hindmarsh, will be in the Parish Office at Immaculate Heart Presbytery this week on Tuesday & Wednesday 10am - 4pm and Friday 10am - 2pm. She can also be contacted by email stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk or by telephone 0191 460 4274 on Tuesday & Wednesday 10am - 4pm and Friday 10am - 2pm. Postal Address: St Mary's Presbytery, Malvern Gardens, Gateshead, Tyne and Wear NE11 9LL

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS 1 - 9 July 2023

Saturday 1 July	5.30pm	St Philip Neri	Kathleen Cailey (ann.)
Sunday 2 July	9.00am	St Mary	Pauline Archbold (dec.)
Thirteenth Sunday of the Year (Year A)	10.30am	Immaculate Heart	Patricia Turnbull (dec.)
Monday 3 July <i>St Thomas</i>			
Tuesday 4 July	<i>N.B.</i>	<i>No Service</i>	
Wednesday 5 July	<i>N.B.</i>	<i>No Service</i>	
Thursday 6 July	<i>N.B.</i>	<i>No Service</i>	
Friday 7 July			
Saturday 8 July	5.30pm	St Philip Neri	People of the Parish
Sunday 9 July	9.00am	St Mary	Victoria Swinburn (1 st ann.)
Fourteenth Sunday of the Year (Year A)	10.30am	Immaculate Heart	Joe Welsh (dec.)
<i>Day of Special Prayer for Seafarers</i>			

Weekday Readings Ordinary Time Week 13 Year 1

Sacrament of Reconciliation

5.00pm - 5.20pm on Saturday at St Philip Neri

Baptism

This Sunday, in the Sacrament of Baptism, we welcome Logan James Blacklock into the Family of the Church

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS Fr Patrick O'Connell, one of our retired priests, who has died recently. May he rest in peace. Amen.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Raymond Deponio, Barney Hayes, Maria Thi Kien Chiene Le, John Leitch, Dickie Lindsley, Cheryl Anne McDonald, Pauline Mulholland, Astrid Muse (Gower), Joseph Relph, 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).

SEA SUNDAY Next Sunday 9 July is Sea Sunday when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Seafarers and fishers play a vital role in all of our lives, but they often work in difficult, hazardous conditions.

Your financial support will make a big difference to seafarers and fishers in need. **Stella Maris is the official maritime charity of the Catholic Church and there will be a retiring collection at Masses next weekend to support their work.** If you wish, you can also donate by visiting www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate Thank you.

APPOINTMENT OF NEW BISHOP FOR THE DIOCESE OF HEXHAM & NEWCASTLE On Wednesday, 14 June, His Holiness Pope Francis appointed the Right Reverend Stephen Wright as the Fifteenth Bishop of Hexham & Newcastle. Bishop Stephen is currently an Auxiliary Bishop in the Archdiocese of Birmingham. He will be installed as our new Bishop in St Mary's Cathedral on Wednesday 19 July. We warmly welcome Bishop Stephen to our Diocese and assure him of our prayers and support as he begins his new ministry with us. For further information and to read Bishop Stephen's letter following his appointment, please visit the diocesan website at www.diocesehn.org.uk/news/new-bishop-for-hexham-and-newcastle/

PASTORAL LETTER AND LISTENING EXERCISE FOR THE LAITY Archbishop Malcolm McMahon's Pastoral Letter read at Masses on 17/18 June & his letter concerning the Listening Exercise for the Laity can be read on the diocesan website at www.diocesehn.org.uk/news/pastoral-letter-by-archbishop-malcolm-mcmahon-for-the-17-18-june-2023/

In his letter, Archbishop Malcolm mentioned providing opportunities for people in the Diocese to be heard and to listen to others in the light of the recent reviews. **He invites lay people to attend one of three initial meetings:**

11 July at St. Bede's Church Hall, Bedlington NE22 5TZ

12 July at St Michael's Church Hall, Houghton-Le-Spring DH5 8NF

13 July at English Martyrs and St. Peter & St Paul's, Stockton-on-Tees TS19 9BY

These meetings will begin at 7pm (prompt) and finish at 8.30pm. They will include time for listening and discussion, and a liturgy of healing for those who wish to partake. Amy Cameron from the Diocesan Vicariate of Faith & Mission will co-ordinate the Listening process and Dr Karen Kilby, Bede Chair at Durham University will provide the Archbishop with a summary of the meetings. He encourages everyone to be generous in taking part.

COLLECTION COUNTERS NEEDED We are very short of counters at St Mary's Church. We work in pairs and if we have a full quota of 8 counters, each couple only needs to volunteer once a month. The money is counted in the Parish room after 9am Sunday Mass and it usually takes about half an hour. There will be a brief meeting after Mass on Sunday July 2nd for existing and potential new counters to plan for the rest of the year and we will be delighted to see anyone who is interested in helping. Thank you.

THE NORTHERN CROSS The July edition of The Northern Cross is on sale this weekend, price £1.50.

PARISH FOOD BANK AND REFUGEE PROJECT UPDATE N.B. 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. **FOOD ITEMS IN VERY SHORT SUPPLY: coffee, tinned soup, custard, hotdogs, meatballs, ketchup, pasta, crisps.**

OTHER priority items: laundry powder/liquid, spray cleaner, toilet rolls, cooking oil, UHT milk, pasta sauce, mayonnaise, gravy granules, , sugar, cereal, tinned rice pudding, fruit, tuna, potatoes, baked beans, carrots, garden peas, sweetcorn, meat (corned beef, Pek, mince, stewing steak etc), chopped tomatoes, baked beans, tomato purée, biscuits.

Other items we put into the weekly food bags: shampoo, feminine hygiene, antiperspirant, washing up liquid, toothpaste, fruit squash, teabags, sugar, tinned chickpeas, kidney beans, long grain rice.

PLEASE NOTE, THE CHURCH WILL NOT BE OPEN ON THURSDAY 6 JULY AS THERE ARE NO VOLUNTEERS AVAILABLE.

Any queries please contact Katie Wilkinson, 1 Mayfield, Whickham either via mobile 07837 386 760 or email teachkate1@gmail.com

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday 4 July 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.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING (PPC) The next PPC meeting is scheduled to take place on Wednesday 12 July 2023. If you have any issues or queries you would like to raise, please contact one of your church representatives by Sunday 9 July 2023.

Your representatives are:

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 & Joe Wheatley

Financial matters - Malcolm Shield

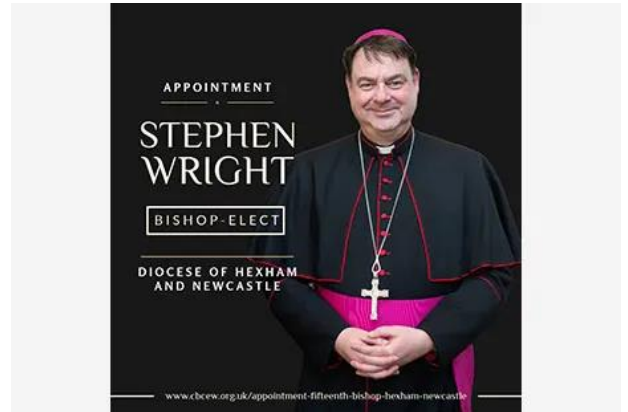
CATHOLIC CERTIFICATE IN RELIGIOUS STUDIES (CCRS) 2023-2024 The Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies is managed and awarded by the Board of Religious Studies on behalf of the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales. The programme seeks to ensure that participants have a basic understanding of the 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 2023-2024 on the Diocesan website: <https://diocesehn.org.uk/education/continuing-professional-development-and-formation/#ccrs> If anyone would like further information, they can contact Eamonn Diffley at the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle, Department for Education on 0191 243 3313 or email education@diocesehn.org.uk

RED MISSION BOXES are now due to be emptied. Money can be given to Denise Hebron at St Philip's, Lilian Gray at Immaculate Heart and Kathleen Cunningham at St Mary's. Thank you.

SPECIAL REQUEST FOR THE 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF FR PETER'S PRIESTLY ORDINATION You are all aware that the parish is holding a special evening on Friday 8th September to celebrate numerous anniversaries within our parish, one of which is Fr Peter's 40th anniversary of priesthood. To celebrate this wonderful occasion there will be an evening Mass followed by a shared supper. Over the next two weekends Fr Peter will be away so we are taking advantage of his absence, to place this secret notice! We would like to take the opportunity to commemorate Fr Peter's significant anniversary by presenting a monetary thank you gift to our amazing Parish Priest on this special evening of celebration. To make this possible we are kindly requesting monetary gift donations from parishioners. Envelopes are now available at the back of each church for this purpose, and we ask that everyone who wishes to donate will take one then hand it in as discreetly as possible or place your donation in the envelope and place on the collection plate, where it will be removed before the collection plate is emptied. You will all recognise that Fr Peter is a very quiet individual who doesn't like 'any fuss' but we believe that this significant anniversary should be recognised. You may wish to mark this special anniversary with individual gifts, which will also be lovely, and will be gratefully received, however, we thought a joint gift from his grateful parishioners seemed very appropriate. Many thanks, please share this request with anyone you know may wish to be included in this appeal. Any questions please contact Katie Wilkinson 07837 386760 or Denise Hebron 07554 445679.

PAULINE BOOKS AND MEDIA, NEWCASTLE (tel. 0191 230 6040, email newcastle@pauline-uk.org). Please note that from the Monday 10 July the Cathedral bookshop will have revised opening hours:
Monday & Tuesday - closed
Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 10.00am - 4.30pm
Saturday, 9.45am - 4.00pm
Sunday 9.30am - 1.15pm
For orders and enquires outside of these hours, please tel. 0151 7091328, email orders@pauline-uk.org or visit www.paulineuk.org

NEWSLETTER ITEMS Please send any items for next weekend's Newsletter to the Parish Office **by 10am on Thursday 6 July.**



Prayer for Bishop Stephen

Lord, rock of our hearts,
from a sea swept island you sent Aidan and Cuthbert
to sow your Word fruitfully throughout our Northern Land
and you inspired Bede to understand and speak your truth
reflected in our lives and in our history.

Grant to your servant, Stephen,
whom you have called to follow them,
a rich share in this heritage -
to speak your Word courageously
to teach wisely
and to lead with love. Amen.

Mgr Kevin Nichols

Jen's Weekly Prayer

Peace a fragile and beautiful gift can be torn asunder
as if it was the finest soft silk.
Lives are broken apart, homes decimated
beauty wrenched from its foundations.
Love, compassion, hope, snuffed out like a candle flame.
Darkness replacing light, colour, laughter,
freedom simply to be.
Guide all who have to endure the hardships, pain, sorrow,
separation, loss and discrimination
to a safer, gentler place.
Enable them once again to feel the warmth of love,
to have the courage and strength to believe
in your light of hope and infinite love
to guide them to safety, to be enfolded
in care and compassion.
Enlighten perpetrators of aggression
to find the wisdom within them to cease these acts
which deprive peace from so many
and allow the gentle breath of peace
to be free to all who are suffering,
to be healed and brought to safety.

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First Reading*II Kings 4:8-11. 14-16*

One day as Elisha was on his way to Shunem, a woman of rank who lived there pressed him to stay and eat there. After this he always broke his journey for a meal when he passed that way. She said to her husband, 'Look, I am sure the man who is constantly passing our way must be a holy man of God. Let us build him a small room on the roof, and put him a bed in it, and a table and chair and lamp; whenever he comes to us he can rest there.'

One day when he came, he retired to the upper room and lay down. 'What can be done for her?' he asked. Gehazi, his servant, answered, 'Well, she has no son and her husband is old.' Elisha said, 'Call her.' The servant called her and she stood at the door. 'This time next year,' Elisha said 'you will hold a son in your arms.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm*Psalm 88:2-3. 16-19. R/v.2*

R/ I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord.

1. I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord;
through all ages my mouth will proclaim your truth.
Of this I am sure, that your love lasts for ever,
that your truth is firmly established as the heavens.
2. Happy the people who acclaim such a king,
who walk, O Lord, in the light of your face,
who find their joy every day in your name,
who make your justice the source of their bliss.
3. For it is you, O Lord, who are the glory of their strength;
it is by your favour that our might is exalted:
for our ruler is in the keeping of the Lord;
our king in the keeping of the Holy One of Israel.

Second Reading*Romans 6:3-4. 8-11*

When we were baptised in Christ Jesus we were baptised in his death; in other words, when we were baptised we went into the tomb with him and joined him in death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the Father's glory, we too might live a new life.

But we believe that having died with Christ we shall return to life with him: Christ, as we know, having been raised from the dead with never die again. Death has no power over him any more. When he died, he died, once for all, to sin, so his life now is life with God; and in that way, you too must consider yourselves to be dead to sin but alive for God in Christ Jesus.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation*cf. Acts of the Apostles 16:14*

Alleluia, alleluia!
Open our heart, O Lord,
to accept the words of your Son.
Alleluia!

Gospel*Matthew 10:37-42*

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows: 'Anyone who prefers father or mother to me is not worthy of me. Anyone who prefers son or daughter to me is not worthy of me. Anyone who does not take his cross and follow in my footsteps is not worthy of me. Anyone who finds his life will lose it; anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it.

'Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me; and those who welcome me welcome the one who sent me.

'Anyone who welcomes a prophet because he is a prophet will have a prophet's reward; and anyone who welcomes a holy man because he is a holy man will have a holy man's reward.

'If anyone gives so much as a cup of cold water to one of these little ones because he is a disciple, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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