



THE PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST PHILIP NERI

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O Godhead hid, devoutly I adore thee.... I believe all the Son of God has spoken; than truth's own word there is no truer token.

St Thomas Aquinas (1227-1274)

Transl. Edward Caswall (1814-1878)

11 June 2023

The Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)

Year A

The Parish Secretary, Julie Hindmarsh, will be in the Parish Office at Immaculate Heart Presbytery this week on Tuesday 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 10 - 18 June 2023

Saturday 10 June	5.30pm	St Philip Neri	Betty Endean (dec.)
Sunday 11 June	9.00am	St Mary	People of the Parish
The Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)	10.30am	Immaculate Heart	Joe Welsh (dec.)
Monday 12 June			
Tuesday 13 June <i>St Anthony of Padua</i>	9.30am	Immaculate Heart	Deceased of the Corrigan & Rossi Families
	5.30pm	St Mary's	First Holy Communion Mass
Wednesday 14 June	9.30am	St Philip Neri	Priest's Intention
Thursday 15 June	<i>N.B.</i>	<i>No Service</i>	
Friday 16 June <i>The Sacred Heart of Jesus</i>	9.30am	St Mary	Turnbull Family (liv. & dec.)
Saturday 17 June <i>Immaculate Heart of Mary</i>	5.30pm	St Philip Neri	Teresa Brown (dec.)
Sunday 18 June	9.00am	St Mary	People of the Parish
Eleventh Sunday of the Year (Year A)	10.30am	Immaculate Heart	William & Grace McPhee (ann.)

Weekday Readings Ordinary Time Week 10 Year 1

Sacrament of Reconciliation

5.00pm - 5.20pm on Saturday at St Philip Neri, 9.00am - 9.20am on Tuesday at Immaculate Heart

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

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

This weekend, our Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion will be invited to renew their commitment to their ministry.

Please pray for the children from St Mary's and St Philip Neri Schools who are celebrating their First Holy Communion at this time.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS Kathleen Taskas, Charlotte Joan Jones and Barbara Ann Stephenson who have died recently. The Funeral Service for Kathleen Taskas will be on Wednesday 21 June at 10.30am at Immaculate Heart Church followed by burial at Saltwell Cemetery. The Requiem Mass for Charlotte Joan Jones will be on Thursday 22 June at 10.00am at St Mary's Church followed by burial at Garden House Cemetery. The Requiem Mass for Barbara Stephenson will be on Friday 23 June at 10.15am at St Mary's Church followed by cremation at Mountsett Crematorium. May they 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, 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).

THIS SUNDAY 11 JUNE - GIFT FOR LIFE SUMMER SOCIAL FROM 2PM AT ST MARY'S This Sunday sees the 'not to be missed' *Gift for Life* Parish Social event at St Mary's Hall (and hopefully garden). Come rain or shine let's all get together to celebrate our wonderful parish community. Scones, samosas, cakes, hand-made crafts, plants (bring a bag or two to take away your bargains), quizzes for all ages and great games for the kids. Tickets for the raffle are on sale today - with the first prize of a £50 Amazon voucher and lots of other lovely prizes. Guess the name of the giant bear too! Help the event to be a really big success by turning up from 2pm on Sunday. Let's make this a great celebration while raising funds for some really worthwhile causes. Feel free to drop us an e-mail on giftforlife20@gmail.com Thank you!

RED BOX 2022 - THANK YOU! In 2022, our Parish raised £6130.97 through our Red Boxes and donations to *Missio* and the Mill Hill Missionaries. Thank you!

Our missionary community here at Our Lady and St Philip Neri Parish is part of a worldwide network of people supporting missionaries through prayer and financial assistance. Your support of projects such as the Fundong Mission station in Cameroon has enabled Fr Leon, a Mill Hill Missionary, to help children learn in a safe environment and instil values that empower them to turn away from conflict and towards faith in God.

Please visit missio.org.uk to find out more about how your support changes lives for the better.

A DAY FOR CATECHISTS - A Day for exploring Catechesis, Accompaniment and Evangelisation. Are you involved with Baptismal Preparation, First Holy Communions, Confirmations, Marriage Preparation, RCIA, Children's Liturgy or other faith sharing initiatives? We are excited to host the largest gathering of Catechists the diocese has seen in recent times. This will be a special opportunity to come together and renew our approach to sacramental preparation and faith-sharing post-pandemic. Whether you are a seasoned Catechist or just considering becoming one, we want you to join us. We will be sharing key principles from the new *Directory for Catechesis* and affirming good practices, as well as providing new ideas and inspiration. **Date and Venue: Saturday 15 July 2023, 10am - 3pm, at St Robert of Newminster Catholic School, Biddick Lane, Fatfield, Washington, NE38 8AF (refreshments included, please bring a packed lunch).** Individuals and parish groups welcome. To book your place(s), visit <http://bit.ly/DHND0C23> or scan this QR code:



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

SAVE THE DATE! Advanced notice to all parishioners about a very special evening celebration planned for Friday 8 September 2023 to acknowledge four special occasions for us all to give praise and thanks to Our God.

- 1 On 24 August 1948, St Mary's Parish was established by Bishop McCormack with Fr Leo Pickering as the first Parish Priest, so 2023 marks the 75th Anniversary of St Mary's original foundation.
- 2 Secondly, as many of you will already know, it is 50 years since the current St Mary's Church officially opened its doors on 8 September 1973.
- 3 Thirdly, this year is a special personal Anniversary for Fr Peter as he will celebrate the 40th Anniversary of his Priestly Ordination (8 October 1983).
- 4 The final and fourth addition to this special celebration is recognising the 50th Anniversary of St Mary's Primary School). Although this special Anniversary was last year, we will celebrate all of these four significant dates together - how wonderful to have so much for our parish to commemorate and give thanks for!

The Evening will begin with a Special Mass of Thanksgiving at which Fr Peter will preside. This will then be followed by a shared supper in St Mary's Hall (and in the walled garden, weather permitting!).

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: UHT milk, pasta sauce, crisps, tinned tuna, soup, laundry powder/liquid, toilet rolls.

OTHER priority items: cooking oil, ketchup, mayonnaise, sugar, cereal, tinned custard, fruit, rice pudding potatoes, baked beans, carrots, garden peas, sweetcorn, hot dogs, meatballs, soup, meat (corned beef, Pek, mince, stewing steak etc), chopped tomatoes, baked beans, tomato purée, biscuits, spray cleaner.

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

Every Thursday, volunteers are in Immaculate Heart 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

MARY'S PLACE/MERCY HUB The Asda Green Tokens Scheme is now closed. Many thanks to all those who supported the Mercy Hub through this scheme - £300 in total was raised. For more information about the Mercy Hub and its charitable work, please visit www.mercyhub.org.uk

LOCAL PLACES SERVING FREE MEALS A list of local places serving free meals is posted at the back of each church and can be viewed via the link on the parish website homepage www.theparish.org.uk

DIOCESAN VACANCIES The Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle is looking to appoint to the following roles:

St Augustine, Darlington - Administrator, 26 hours a week.

St Paul, Cramlington - Finance Assistant, 5 hours per week.

The closing date for these applications is 18 June.

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

CAFOD ARE HIRING Could you inspire Catholics to participate in the Church's mission, by working to overcome poverty and injustice? Do you want to work for CAFOD within the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle? Are you good at inspiring and working with volunteers? Then you might like to become our Community Participation Coordinator. Click the following link for more details and please pass on to any friends or relatives who might be interested. Closing date 25 June 2023: [CAFOD Community Participation Coordinator Hexham and Newcastle](#)

SVP MEMBERSHIP SUPPORT OFFICER (MSO) The St Vincent de Paul Society would like to recruit an MSO for the Tyne Central Council which covers the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle. This is a part time salaried role (22.5 hours per week – 3 days equivalent) working as part of the SVP Membership Team to support the Central Council in member recruitment and development and provide general support for members. The role is home based but requires the ability to travel around the Diocese to make recruitment appeals, work with existing groups, attend meetings and meet with interested parties where appropriate. Having your own transport is essential. Travel expenses are paid. For further information and details how to apply contact Lance Philpott, Head of Membership at lancep@svp.org.uk Closing date for applications is Sunday 25 June 2023.

LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR JOB VACANCY Registered Nurses Required. The Little Sisters of the Poor run a large residential care home for the elderly in Newcastle. This is a friendly, relaxed, well-equipped Home with over 105 staff. Day shift - 37.5 Hours per week, Shifts are 8am-4pm, 1pm-9pm. Night shift - 20 hours per week, 9pm-8am. Two References and an enhanced DBS check are required. For more information, please contact Lee-Marie on 0191 273 1279 or email lee.marie@lsplondon.co.uk

NEWSLETTER ITEMS Please send any items for next weekend's Newsletter to the Parish Office **by 10am on Thursday 15 June.**

Jen's Weekly Prayer

The pre-dawn begins to break
as the horizon gently unfolds its early light
across numerous shades of blue.
Everything is still at peace as the blackbird gently sings.
Simple, calming moments to help us stop
and take the moment to stay within it,
freed to allow ourselves to be healed,
held in this unique time.
Each day we are gifted these small tender offerings
which can allow us space and bring hope or aid to us
as we grapple with worries, fears, troubles
of our own or others.
The butterfly is fragile but it fills us with joy
as we watch it touch each flower or plant
on which it descends, captivating and enriching.
Our small acts of kindness, care, compassion,
can be akin to these beautiful moments,
for a word or action from stranger or from friend
can be a special gift of love from one to another
bringing healing light, however faint,
to those in need.

Jen Jones @ June 2023

Corpus Christi Prayer

Let us pray for the willingness to make present
in our world the love of Christ
shown to us in the Eucharist.
Lord Jesus Christ,
we worship you living among us
in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood.
May we offer to our Father in heaven
a solemn pledge of undivided love.
May we offer to our brothers and sisters
a life poured out in loving service of that Kingdom
where you live with the Father and the Holy Spirit,
one God for ever and ever. Amen

New Saint Joseph Sunday Missal

First Reading*Deuteronomy 8:2-3. 14-16*

Moses said to the people: 'Remember how the Lord your God led you for forty years in the wilderness, to humble you, to test you and know your inmost heart - whether you would keep his commandments or not. He humbled you, he made you feel hunger, he fed you with manna which neither you nor your fathers had known, to make you understand that man does not live on bread alone but that man lives on everything that comes from the mouth of the Lord.

'Do not then forget the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery: who guided you through this vast and dreadful wilderness, a land of fiery serpents, scorpions, thirst; who in this waterless place brought you water from the hardest rock; who in this wilderness fed you with manna that your fathers had not known.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm*Psalm 147:12-15. 19-20. R/v.12***R/ O praise the Lord, Jerusalem!**

1. O praise the Lord, Jerusalem!
Zion, praise your God!
He has strengthened the bars of your gates,
he has blessed the children within you.
2. He established peace on your borders,
he feeds you with finest wheat.
He sends out his word to the earth
and swiftly runs his command.
3. He makes his word known to Jacob,
to Israel his laws and decrees.
He has not dealt thus with other nations;
he has not taught them his decrees.

Second Reading*I Corinthians 10:16-17*

The blessing-cup that we bless is a communion with the blood of Christ, and the bread that we break is a communion with the blood of Christ. The fact that there is only one loaf means that, though there are many of us, we form a single body because we all have a share in this one loaf.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation*John 6:51-52*

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the living bread which has come down from heaven, says the Lord. Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever. Alleluia!

Gospel*John 6:51-58*

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to the crowd:

'I am the living bread which has come down from heaven. Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world.'

Then the Jews started arguing with one another: 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' they said. Jesus replied:

'I tell you most solemnly, if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you will not have life in you. Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood has eternal life, and I shall raise him up on the last day. For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I live in him. As I, who am sent by the living Father myself draw life from the Father, so whoever eats me will draw life from me. This is the bread come down from heaven; not like the bread our ancestors ate: they are dead, but anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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