



Hail Holy Queen, mother of mercy, hail
our life, our sweetness and our hope!
*Solemnity of the Assumption of
the Blessed Virgin Mary 15 August*

THE PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST PHILIP NERI

**Immaculate Heart of Mary • Lobley Hill
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Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle

13 August 2023

Nineteenth 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 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.
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MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS 12 - 20 August 2023

Saturday 12 August	5.30pm	St Philip Neri	People of the Parish
Sunday 13 August	9.00am	St Mary	Kathleen Lee (dec.)
<i>Nineteenth Sunday of the Year (Year A)</i>	10.30am	Immaculate Heart	Diane Elizabeth Johnson (ann.)
Monday 14 August <i>Vigil Mass</i>	6.30pm	Immaculate Heart	People of the Parish
Tuesday 15 August	9.30am	St Philip Neri	Joe Welsh (dec.)
<i>Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Holy Day of Obligation)</i>			
Wednesday 16 August	9.30am	St Philip Neri	Priest's Intention
Thursday 17 August	9.30am	St Mary	In honour of our Lady of Fatima
Friday 18 August			
Saturday 19 August	12.30pm	St Philip Neri	Nuptial Mass
	5.30pm	St Philip Neri	Paddy Joe Slevin (dec.)
Sunday 20 August	9.00am	St Mary	People of the Parish
<i>Twentieth Sunday of the Year (Year A)</i>	10.30am	Immaculate Heart	Michael Jobe (ann.)

Weekday Readings Ordinary Time Week 19 Year 1

Sacrament of Reconciliation

5.00pm - 5.20pm on Saturday at St Philip Neri and 9.00am - 9.20am on Thursday at St Mary's

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

9.00am - 9.25am on Wednesday at St Philip Neri & Thursday at St Mary's

Prayerful best wishes and congratulations to Helen Lynch and Paul Bradley who are to be married next Saturday.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Terence Barker, Veronica Coleman, Ann Crompton, 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).

FR MICHAEL MCKENNA RIP Fr Michael McKenna's body will be received into the chapel at St Joseph's Home, Little Sisters of the Poor, Westmorland Road, Newcastle NE4 7QA on Thursday 24 August 2023 at 5.00 pm and Mass will be celebrated. **His Requiem Mass will be celebrated at 12.05 pm on Friday 25 August at St Mary's Cathedral.**

Father Michael was ordained to the priesthood on 16 June 1962. He has faithfully served the people of our Diocese in the following parishes -

Curate:

Wrekenton: St Oswald's Oct 1962 - Aug 1969; South Moor: St Mary's Aug 1969 - Jan 1974; Newcastle: St Anthony's Jan 1974 - Mar 1974; Durham: St Cuthbert's Mar 1974 - Nov 1978

Chaplain: Apostleship of the Sea Nov 1978 - Sep 1986

Parish Priest:

Felling: St Augustine's Sep 1986 - Sep 1995
Ashington: St Aidan's Sep 1995 - Sep 2002
Annfield Plain and Dipton Sep 2002 - Sep 2008
Bellingham: St Oswald's Sep 2008 - May 2014
Retired: Whickham: St Mary's May 2014 - Sep 2018
Little Sisters of the Poor, Newcastle Sep 2018 - July 2023

FRIDAY 8 SEPTEMBER - A CELEBRATION OF ANNIVERSARIES WITHIN OUR PARISH!

St Mary's, Whickham - Parish established 1948 (75 years);

St Mary's New Church - built 1973 (50 years);

Canon Peter Leighton - ordained priest in 1983 (40 years);

and, of course, it is the Feast of Our Lady's Birthday!

Mass will be celebrated in St Mary's Church, Whickham at 6.30pm, then there will be a shared table in the hall afterwards.

To identify the number of attendees, we would appreciate it if you could add your name (and the number of people coming with you) onto the sheet at the entrance to the church. Also, if you are able, please bring a little something for the shared table. If baking isn't for you, we would be happy for you to give a small donation and our wonderful volunteers will either bake on your behalf, make sandwiches etc. Please feel free to bring your own alcohol. Tea, coffee, juice, corporation pop (water) and a little fizz for a toast will be provided!

The sheet will be at the back of church until 19/20 August.

*****Special Request*** To help the day to run smoothly, please try to bring your food offering during the day rather than on the evening and also indicate the contents on the outer packaging.**

Any questions, please contact Katie Wilkinson 07837 386760 or Denise Hebron 07554 445679. Thank you!

CAN YOU HELP? Also for the Anniversary Celebrations on Friday 8 September 2023, we would like to create a collage of any photographs parishioners may have of the original St Mary's Church or the current Church or any special functions you may have recorded to posterity.

We appreciate these will be very precious to you so photocopies of the originals will be gratefully received or alternatively we can arrange to photocopy them and promptly return the originals.

Many thanks - any queries please contact Katie Wilkinson 07837 386760 or Denise Hebron 07554 445679.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2023 This is a reminder for parents/carers and those young people in our parish who signed up to prepare for and receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this year. **The preparation sessions will take place at St Mary's, Dockendale Lane NE16 4EN on three consecutive Thursday evenings i.e. 7, 14, 21 September all beginning at 6.30pm and lasting no more than 45 minutes.**

The date for the Confirmation Mass has still to be decided and will be notified soon. **It would be much appreciated if parents/carers could please provide a contact email address by emailing the Parish Office at stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk. Thank you.**

PARISH FOOD BANK AND REFUGEE PROJECT UPDATE
We welcome ALL non-perishable 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: washing up liquid, cooking oil, pasta sauce, mayonnaise, ketchup, coffee, tinned sliced carrots, meatballs, hotdogs, rice pudding, custard, meat (mince, corned beef, pek) tomato purée, long grain rice.

OTHER priority items: UHT milk, cereal, dried pasta, gravy granules, tinned fruit, tuna, potatoes, sweetcorn, garden peas, chopped tomatoes, baked beans, biscuits, laundry powder/liquid, spray cleaner,

Other items we put into the weekly food bags: shampoo, antiperspirant, feminine hygiene, tinned chickpeas, kidney beans, fruit squash, teabags, toothpaste.

Every Thursday volunteers are in Immaculate Heart Church between 9.30am - 10.30am so parishioners can drop donations off here 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

PAULINE BOOKS AND MEDIA, NEWCASTLE (tel. 0191 230 6040, email newcastle@pauline-uk.org). Please note the Cathedral Bookshop now has 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

RAINBOWS BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GREAT BRITAIN (GB) is a well-respected National Charity which supports Children and Young People who have experienced a significant loss through death, relationship breakdown or any other Adverse Childhood Experience. Volunteers are needed to join the North East Team.

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer please contact Ruth Higginbottom, Rainbows North East Secretary, on 01670 518546 or rainbows.northeast@btconnect.com

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

LITURGICAL DAY OF REFLECTION FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Date: Saturday 23 September 2023

Times: 10.30am-3.00pm, arrivals, registration and refreshments from 10.00am

Location: St Joseph's, High West Street, Gateshead, NE8 1LX

Cost: £10.00 per person

Catering: Please bring a packed lunch, tea and coffee will be provided. The day will include celebration of Mass.

This Day of Reflection will be funded by the parish and you can indicate the parish payment preference on the online booking form. **Booking Deadline: Monday 18 September.**

Booking: please book your place by accessing the online form at [Liturgy Course - Extraordinary Ministers](#) or putting your details on the sign-up sheet at the back of church.

For further information please

email: adminfaith.mission@diocesehn.org.uk

BBC SONGS OF PRAISE is coming to Jesmond, Newcastle upon Tyne! You are invited to be part of our recording of hymns and songs on **Monday 21 August** at **St George's Church, St George's Close, Jesmond, Newcastle upon Tyne NE2 2TF** from **6.30pm - 9.30pm.**

All tickets to our recordings are **free of charge.**

To apply for free tickets, please contact

singwithus@ctvc.co.uk **with your name, phone number and the number of tickets you'd like.**

Please be sure to include 'Songs of Praise Jesmond' in your subject header.

Alternatively, you can call us on **07734 030 888** to book your tickets.

We don't have an automated system. Real people from the team will respond to you as soon as they can so please bear with us.

DIOCESAN VACANCY The Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle has the following job vacancy:

Darlington, St Anne – Parish Secretary. 8 hours per week. Initial six-month contract. Closing date: Sunday 13 August. Please visit www.diocesehn.org.uk for full details or contact us on 0191 243 3301.

NEWSLETTER ITEMS Please send any items for next weekend's Newsletter to the Parish Office **by 10.00am on Thursday 17 August**

Jen's Weekly Prayer

Who are we, stranger, friend, family?
All of these - at one point in time
those we hold close were strangers.
It is taking the risk to be vulnerable which allows us
to find some of our greatest joys.
Pain and rejection may be an outcome but a deeper
more fruitful relationship can also bloom if we reach out.
When we ourselves are open and welcoming
we allow others to stretch out their hand
to be unafraid to engage with us.
Like the garden once devoid of colour and shape,
it can be transformed into a place of joy and peace
through nurturing and commitment.
Relationships and friendships can blossom
and grow in strength sharing and enriching
a whole community with kindness hope and love.
A smile, a kind word can kindle hope when all seems lost.
Help us to remember and keep reaching out to strangers
and communities who have been fractured
by terror, war, natural or man-made disasters,
that they may heal and know
that they are cared for valued and cherished.

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Hymn to Our Blessed Lady

Ave Maria, O Maiden, O Mother,
fondly thy children are calling on thee;
thine are the graces unclaimed by another,
sinless and beautiful Star of the sea.

*Mater amabilis, ora pro nobis,
pray for thy children who call upon thee;
Ave Sunctissima, Ave Purissima,
sinless and beautiful Star of the sea.*

*The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
is celebrated on 15 August.*

First Reading*1 Kings 19:9. 11-13*

When Elijah reached Horeb, the mountain of God, he went into the cave and spent the night in it. Then he was told, 'Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord.' Then the Lord himself went by. There came a mighty wind, so strong it tore the mountains and shattered the rocks before the Lord. But the Lord was not in the wind. After the wind came an earthquake. But the Lord was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake came a fire. But the Lord was not in the fire. And after the fire there came the sound of a gentle breeze. And when Elijah heard this, he covered his face with his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm*Psalm 84:9-14. R/ v.8*

**R/ Let us see, O Lord, your mercy
and give us your saving help.**

1. I will hear what the Lord God has to say,
a voice that speaks of peace.
His help is near for those who fear him
and his glory will dwell in our land.
2. Mercy and faithfulness have met;
justice and peace have embraced.
Faithfulness shall spring from the earth
and justice look down from heaven.
3. The Lord will make us prosper
and our earth shall yield its fruit.
Justice shall march before him
and peace shall follow his steps.

Second Reading*Romans 9:1-5*

What I want to say is no pretence; I say it in union with Christ - it is the truth - my conscience in union with the Holy Spirit assures me of it too. What I want to say is this: my sorrow is so great, my mental anguish so endless, I would willingly be condemned and be cut off from Christ if it could help my brothers of Israel, my own flesh and blood. They were adopted as sons, they were given the glory and the covenants; the Law and the ritual were drawn up for them, and the promises were made to them. They are descended from the patriarchs and from their flesh and blood came Christ who is above all, God for ever blessed! Amen.

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*Matthew 14:22-33*

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side while he would send the crowds away. After sending the crowds away he went up into the hills by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, while the boat, by now far out on the lake, was battling with a heavy sea, for there was a head wind. In the fourth watch of the night he went towards them, walking on the lake, and when the disciples saw him walking on the lake they were terrified. 'It is a ghost' they said, and cried out in fear. But at once Jesus called out to them, saying, 'Courage! It is I! Do not be afraid.' It was Peter who answered. 'Lord', he said 'if it is you, tell me to come to you across the water.' 'Come' said Jesus. Then Peter got out of the boat and started walking towards Jesus across the water, but as soon as he felt the force of the wind, he took fright and began to sink. 'Lord! Save me!' he cried. Jesus put out his hand at once and held him. 'Man of little faith,' he said 'why did you doubt?' And as they got into the boat the wind dropped. The men in the boat bowed down before him and said, 'Truly, you are the Son of God.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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