



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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Then Jesus answered her, 'Woman, you have great faith. Let your wish be granted.' And from that moment her daughter was well again. *Matthew 15:28*

20 August 2023

Twentieth Sunday of the Year

Year A

The Parish Secretary, Julie Hindmarsh, is on annual leave this week and will be returning to the Parish Office on Tuesday 29 August (10.00am - 4.00pm)

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MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS 19 - 27 August 2023

Saturday 19 August	5.30pm	St Philip Neri	Paddy Joe Slevin (dec.)
Sunday 20 August	9.00am	St Mary	People of the Parish
Twentieth Sunday of the Year (Year A)	10.30am	Immaculate Heart	Michael Jobe (ann.)
Monday 21 August <i>The Dedication of St Mary's Cathedral</i>			
Tuesday 22 August <i>The Queenship of Mary</i>	9.30am	Immaculate Heart	Private Intention (CC)
Wednesday 23 August	9.30am	St Philip Neri	Priest's Intention
Thursday 24 August <i>St Bartholomew, Apostle</i>	9.30am	St Mary	Bernard Hearne (dec.)
Friday 25 August			
Saturday 26 August	5.30pm	St Philip Neri	People of the Parish
Sunday 27 August	9.00am	St Mary	Maire Oxley (dec.)
Twenty First Sunday of the Year (Year A)	10.30am	Immaculate Heart	Ursula Purvis-Kelly (ann.)

Weekday Readings Ordinary Time Week 20 Year 1

Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

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. May he rest in peace. Amen.**

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 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!

MASS AT 6.30pm followed by a SHARED TABLE IN ST MARY'S HALL REMEMBER YOU CAN BRING YOUR OWN ALCOHOL!

Time is running out - if you are coming along - please don't forget to sign up on the lists available at the back of each church by this weekend. If you're contributing some food for the table please note we now have lots of promised cakes but very few promises of savouries such as sausage rolls, quiches, meat pies etc! We also very happy to accept monetary donations which will contribute to all the necessary purchase items required for sandwiches, crisps etc

Tea, coffee, juice, corporation pop (water) and a little fizz for a toast will be provided!

*****Special Request*** To help the event to run smoothly, if possible please bring your food offering during the day rather than on the evening - the hall will be open from 10am. On the outer packaging of any food donations please indicate the contents especially any allergens such as gluten, egg, dairy etc**

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.

SINGING REHEARSALS FOR THE ANNIVERSARY MASS! Any parishioners who would like to practice the hymns and liturgical settings for the Anniversary Mass on 8 September are invited to come to two rehearsals on Wednesday 30 August & Wednesday 6 September, both beginning at 6.30pm in St Mary's Church.

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 smarysphilip@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 SHORT SUPPLY: UHT milk, gravy granules, coffee, tinned baked beans, chopped tomatoes, custard, sweetcorn, sliced carrots, meat (mince, corned beef, pek), long grain rice.

OTHER priority items: tomato purée, mayonnaise, ketchup, cereal, dried pasta, pasta sauce, cooking oil, tinned rice pudding, meatballs, hotdogs, fruit, tuna, potatoes, garden peas, chopped tomatoes, baked beans, biscuits, washing up liquid, laundry powder/liquid, spray cleaner.

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

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.

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

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.

ANOINTING FIRE CATHOLIC MINISTRIES Anointing Fire Catholic Ministries, (AFCM) Newcastle is organising a Youth Retreat with specific focus on 17-24 year old students who are embarking on the journey to Universities and Higher Studies. The 3-day residential retreat 8-10 Sept 2023 will be held at the Emmaus Youth Village, Consett DH8 9BA and will be facilitated by AFCM ministers from Birmingham.

The Retreat starts at 10am on Friday 8 September and wraps up at 4pm on Sunday 10 September. Please register your interest at <https://afcmuk.org/register/> or get in touch with Santhosh Joseph 07545 861400 or Deacon Alison Rebello 07931 36243 for more details.

Jen's Weekly Prayer

At this pivotal moment when pain, suffering, war, destruction and volatile natural disasters increase on a daily basis on a dramatic and worldwide scale, we can become bowed down with fear, insecurity and stress.

Yet nature once again with benign kindness and beauty bestows upon us the spectacular visions of shooting stars and wondrous lights to calm and soothe plus the incredible folds of clouds as they move to flow and ripple across violet skies before quiet night spreads its soft mantle.

Gentleness and care from friend or stranger can soothe and calm us knowing that we have not become invisible and still have much to give. Help us to open our hearts and minds to have the courage to reach out.

We cannot individually change the total tide of destruction to our planet or still the hand of war but each tiny step can increase the knowledge that future generations have shelter, food and water and safer peace.

These simple acts of love can change mindsets which have been closed and leave open doors allowing loving care and hope to take root and spread by the light which never fades, bears fruit and brings peace from turmoil, disaster and war.

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First Reading*Isaiah 56:1. 6-7*

Thus says the Lord: Have a care for justice, act with integrity, for soon my salvation will come and my integrity be manifest. Foreigners who have attached themselves to the Lord to serve him and to love his name and be his servants – all who observe the sabbath, not profaning it, and cling to my covenant – these I will bring to my holy mountain. I will make them joyful in my house of prayer. Their holocausts and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar, for my house will be called a house of prayer for all the peoples.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm*Psalm 66:2-3. 5-6. 8. R/v.4*

R/ Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

1. O God, be gracious and bless us
and let your face shed its light upon us.
So will your ways be known upon earth
and all nations learn your saving help.
2. Let the nations be glad and exult
for you rule the world with justice.
With fairness you rule the peoples,
you guide the nations on earth.
3. Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.
May God still give us his blessing
till the ends of the earth revere him.

Second Reading*Romans 11:13-15. 29-32*

Let me tell you pagans this: I have been sent to the pagans as their apostle, and I am proud of being sent, but the purpose of it is to make my own people envious of you, and in this way save some of them. Since their rejection meant the reconciliation of the world, do you know what their admission will mean? Nothing less than a resurrection from the dead! God never takes back his gifts or revokes his choice.

Just as you changed from being disobedient to God, and now enjoy mercy because of their disobedience, so those who are disobedient now – and only because of the mercy shown to you – will also enjoy mercy eventually. God has imprisoned all men in their own disobedience only to show mercy to all mankind.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation*John 10:27*

Alleluia, alleluia!

The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice,
says the Lord,
I know them and they follow me.
Alleluia!

Gospel*Matthew 15:21-28*

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus left Gennesaret and withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon. Then out came a Canaanite woman from that district and started shouting, 'Sir, Son of David, take pity on me. My daughter is tormented by a devil.' But he answered her not a word. And his disciples went and pleaded with him. 'Give her what she wants,' they said 'because she is shouting after us.' He said in reply, 'I was sent only to the lost sheep of the House of Israel.' But the woman had come up and was kneeling at his feet. 'Lord,' she said 'help me.' He replied, 'It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the house-dogs.' She retorted, 'Ah yes, sir; but even house-dogs can eat the scraps that fall from their master's table.' Then Jesus answered her, 'Woman, you have great faith. Let your wish be granted.' And from that moment her daughter was well again.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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