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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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The John Ingram Partnership Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle

27 August 2023

Twenty First 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 be contacted by email <u>stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk</u> or by telephone 0191 460 4274. Postal Address: St Mary's Presbytery, Malvern Gardens, Gateshead, Tyne and Wear NE11 9LL

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS 27 August - 3 September 2023

Saturday 26 August Sunday 27 August Twenty First Sunday of the Year (Year A)	5.30pm 9.00am 10.30am	St Philip Neri St Mary Immaculate Heart	People of the Parish Maire Oxley (dec.) Ursula Purvis-Kelly (ann.)
Monday 28 August St Augustine			
Tuesday 29 August The Passion of John the Baptist	9.30am	Immaculate Heart	Moira Andison (ann.)
Wednesday 30 August	9.30am	St Philip Neri	Priest's Intention
Thursday 31 August St Aidan	9.30am	St Mary	Bernard Hearne (dec.)
Friday 1 September			
Saturday 2 September	5.30pm	St Philip Neri	People of the Parish
Sunday 3 September	9.00am	St Mary	Barbara Stephenson (dec.)
Twenty Second Sunday of the Year (Year A)	10.30am	Immaculate Heart	In Thanksgiving - 25 th Wedding Anniversary

Weekday Readings Ordinary Time Week 21 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

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). FRIDAY 8 SEPTEMBER: A CELEBRATION OF ANNIVERSARIES WITHIN OUR PARISH! We look forward to celebrating the 75th Anniversary of the founding of St Mary's Parish, the 50th Anniversaries of St Mary's Church, and Canon Peter's 40th Anniversary of Priestly Ordination. The evening will begin at 6.30pm with the celebration of Mass followed by a Shared Table in St Mary's Hall - remember you can bring your own alcohol! <u>If you are coming along, please sign up this</u> weekend on the lists available at the back of each church.

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 are 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, diary etc.

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

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 <u>stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk</u>. Thank you.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday 5 September 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.

PAULINE BOOKS AND MEDIA, NEWCASTLE (tel. 0191 230 6040, email <u>newcastle@pauline-uk.org</u>). 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 <u>orders@pauline-uk.org</u> or visit www.paulineuk.org 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, tinned custard, garden peas, sweetcorn, sliced carrots, meat (mince, corned beef, pek),

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

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

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

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 <u>Liturgy Course - Extraordinary Ministers</u> or putting your details on the sign-up sheet at the back of church. For further information please

email: adminfaith.mission@diocesehn.org.uk

OUR LADY OF FATIMA VISITATION OF THE PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE AND THE RELICS OF SAINTS JACINTA AND FRANCISCO

At St Anne's Church, Waverley Road, Harlow Greene, NE9 7UD on Saturday 16 September 2023. Timetable: 13.30 Welcome

13.40 Rosary 14.15 Fatima film 15.30 Break. Tea and Coffee 16.00 Investure in the Brown Scapular 16.15 Exposition/ Reconciliation 17.00 Benediction 17.05 Welcome 17.15 Procession 17.30 Mass **EUCHARISTIC MIRACLES OF THE WORLD EXHIBITION** The Association of the Eucharist will be hosting an Exhibition about Blessed Carlo Acutis and his documentation of Eucharistic Miracles from around the world. The Exhibition will be held at St Joseph's, Gateshead, NE8 1LX from Saturday 14 October to Saturday 28 October. On Saturday 14 October, Bishop Emeritus Séamus Cunningham will celebrate Mass to mark the opening of the Exhibition; there will also be a guest speaker and a time of Adoration. For the remaining two weeks, the Exhibition will be available to visit, for a period of time, on a daily basis. More details about the launch day and timings to follow. Event details can be found at <u>https://bit.ly/DHNCarloAcutis</u>. Parish groups are welcome to attend.

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 <u>https://afcmuk.org/register/</u> or get in touch with Santhosh Joseph 07545 861400 or Deacon Alison Rebello 07931 36243 for more details.

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 <u>rainbows.northeast@btconnect.com</u>

NEWSLETTER ITEMS Please send any items for next weekend's Newsletter to the Parish Office **by 10.00am on Thursday 31 August.**

Jen's Weekly Prayer

Rain can be soft and gentle not dissimilar. to a comforting touch from someone we trust. Wild, strong and lashing rain is not dissimilar to angry words spoken in haste. Loud thunder fills echoes above us and wondrous lightening fills the skies with vivid and startling colour and shape. The rain cleanses, recolours and allows us to breathe a calmer air and an opportunity to rekindle growth, colour and hope. Scorching sun can remove the gifts the rain has brought yet we need both to live our lives, reliant on natural elements to exist. Enable us to appreciate the simple beauty of a budding flower or the unexpected growth of a plant dried out once more enlivened with green growth. Strengthened by love each to the other and guided by the light of hope may we find renewed shoots of courage, peace, calmness, laughter and joy in our lives to replace anxiety, pain, stress, worry or suffering in our challenging times.

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Liturgy of the Word

Twenty First Sunday of the Year

Isaiah 22:19-23

First Reading

Thus says the Lord of hosts to Shebna, the master of the palace:

I dismiss you from your office, I remove you from your post, and the same day I call on my servant Eliakim son of Hilkiah. I invest him with your robe, gird him with your sash, entrust him with your authority; and he shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem and to the House of Judah. I place the key of the House of David on his shoulder; should he open, no one shall close, should he close, no one shall open. I drive him like a peg Into a firm place; he will become a throne of glory for his father's house.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 137:1-3. 6. 8. R/v.8

R/ Your love, O Lord, is eternal, discard not the work of your hands.

- I thank you, Lord, with all my heart. you have heard the words of my mouth. Before the angels I will bless you. I will adore before your holy temple.
- I thank you for your faithfulness and love which excel all we ever knew of you. On the day I called, you answered; you increased the strength of my soul.
- The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly and the haughty he knows from afar. Your love, O Lord, is eternal, discard not the work of your hands.

Second Reading

Romans 11:33-36

How rich are the depths of God - how deep his wisdom and knowledge - and how impossible to penetrate his motives or understand his methods! Who could ever know the mind of the Lord? Who could ever be his counsellor? Who could ever give him anything or lend him anything? All that exists comes from him; all is by him and for him. To him be glory for ever! Amen.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God. **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Matthew 16:18

You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church. And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it. Alleluia!

Gospel

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew. Glory to you, O Lord.

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say he is John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he said, 'who do you say I am?' Then Simon Peter spoke up, 'You are the Christ,' he said, 'the Son of the living God.' Jesus replied, 'Simon son of Jonah, you are a happy man! Because it was not flesh and blood that revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. So I now say to you: You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church. And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.' Then he gave the disciples strict orders not to tell anyone that he was the Christ.

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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Matthew 16:13-20