



Jesus turned and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan! You are an obstacle in my path, because the way you think is not God's way but man's.' *Matthew 16:23*

THE PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST PHILIP NERI

Immaculate Heart of Mary • Lobley Hill

St Mary • Whickham

St Philip Neri • Dunston

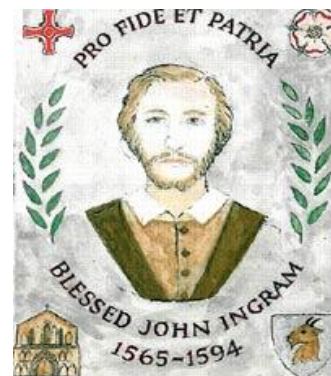
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The John Ingram Partnership
Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle

3 September 2023

Twenty Second 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. Postal Address: St Mary's Presbytery, Malvern Gardens, Gateshead, Tyne and Wear NE11 9LL

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS 2 - 10 September 2023

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
Monday 4 September <i>The Translation of St Cuthbert</i>			
Tuesday 5 September <i>St Teresa of Calcutta</i>	9.30am	Immaculate Heart	Priest's Intention
Wednesday 6 September	9.30am	St Philip Neri	Priest's Intention
Thursday 7 September	9.30am	St Mary	Helen Jackson (ann.)
Friday 8 September	6.30pm	St Mary	75th/50th/40th Anniversary Mass
The Birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary			
Saturday 9 September	5.30pm	St Philip Neri	Molly & John Pinchen (63 rd Wedding Anniversary)
Sunday 10 September	9.00am	St Mary	People of the Parish
Twenty Third Sunday of the Year (Year A)	10.30am	Immaculate Heart	Deceased of the McPhee & Mulligan Families
<i>Day of Special Prayer for Catholic Education</i>			

Weekday Readings Ordinary Time Week 22 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

Baptism

This Sunday, in the Sacrament of Baptism, we welcome Oliver James Bell into the Family of the Church

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, Nora Miller, 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 beginning with Mass at 6.30pm in honour of the Birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary and followed by a Shared Table in St Mary's Hall. The lists are now in and final preparations are underway for, hopefully, a wonderful evening! Please remember you can bring your own alcohol to the event although tea, coffee, juice, corporation pop (water) and a little fizz for a toast will be provided! Bearing this in mind, parking will be limited so why not consider a car share or even walking! Hopefully, weather permitting, we will also be able to take advantage of the garden, so remember to bring along a jacket as the evenings are now cooler.

If you possibly can, please bring any food donations directly to the hall during the day of Friday 8 September rather than prior to Mass in the evening - the hall will be open all day from 10am. Also, it would be extremely helpful if, on the outer packaging of any food donations, you could please indicate the contents especially allergens such as gluten, egg, dairy etc.

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

SINGING REHEARSAL 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 **the second rehearsal on Wednesday 6 September, 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 beginning this Thursday 7 September then on 14 & 21 September, all beginning at 6.30pm and lasting no more than 45 minutes. *Please note: the preparation sessions are for the candidates only - parents/carers/sponsors are not expected to attend.*** The date for the Confirmation Mass has still to be decided and will be notified as soon as possible. **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.**

EDUCATION SUNDAY 2023 is next Sunday 10 September, a day on which Catholics are encouraged to reflect on the Church's enormous contribution in this country to Catholic Education and to pray for all those involved in it. The Catholic Education Service (CES) is the agency of the Catholic Bishops of England and Wales charged with safeguarding and promoting our remarkable network of successful Catholic schools. The CES represents Catholic Education to the Government, Ofsted and other national bodies to ensure Catholic schools are empowered to flourish.

A retiring collection will be taken at all Masses next weekend to support the work of the Catholic Education Service in England and Wales.

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, cereal, sugar, tinned baked beans, tuna, chopped tomatoes, meat(mince, corned beef, pek), crisps, biscuits.

OTHER priority items: long grain rice, gravy granules, coffee, tomato purée, mayonnaise, ketchup, cereal, dried pasta, pasta sauce, cooking oil, tinned custard, garden peas, sweetcorn, sliced carrots, rice pudding, meatballs, hotdogs, fruit, potatoes, 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

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.

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

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 Investiture in the Brown Scapular

16.15 Exposition/ Reconciliation

17.00 Benediction

17.05 Welcome

17.15 Procession

17.30 Mass

JOHN INGRAM PARTNERSHIP RCIA 2023-2024 Are you interested in finding out more about the Catholic Faith? The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is used in The Church to support adults who want to explore their spiritual feelings and if they wish can lead to them becoming a Catholic. It is an informal system of regular meetings where we can all explore what it means to be a Catholic. Previously around ten people per year have completed the course and have been received into the Church, most of them at The Easter Vigil service in their home parish. They also attend a Right of Election service at St Mary's Cathedral at the start of Lent each year where they are joined by hundreds of other people from across the diocese. **An initial meeting is to take place on Tuesday 19 September at 7.00pm at St. Patrick's Parish Centre, High Street Felling, Gateshead NE10 9LT.** Please feel free to come along on the night for a short introduction to the programme and a chance to ask any questions you may have. If you need any more information, please contact Alan Egdell on 07976 402023 or speak to Fr Peter.

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.

ROSARY RALLY A Rosary procession will be held on Saturday 7 October 2023 from St Joseph's Church, Gateshead to Northumberland Street, Newcastle followed by public Rosary in Northumberland Street. The day will start with First Saturday Mass and devotions at 11.00am at St Joseph's, High West Street, Gateshead (near to Gateshead Metro Station), then the Marian procession will start with a statue of Our Lady from the church at 12.30pm, walking over the Tyne Bridge before assembling in Northumberland Street to pray the Rosary starting at 1.15pm. All are welcome and anyone can join at any stage of the event.

EUCCHARISTIC 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 <https://bit.ly/DHNCarloAcutis>. Parish groups are welcome to attend.

DIOCESAN VACANCIES The Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle has the following job vacancies:

Department for Education

Deputy Director of Education (Inspection) - Full-time, term-time. Closing date: 18 September

Senior Administrator - Full-time, permanent. Closing date: 11 September

Vicariate for Faith & Mission - Administrator - full or part-time, maternity cover. Closing date: 4 September

All roles based in the Diocesan Offices in Newcastle. Please visit www.diocesehn.org.uk for full details or contact us on 0191 243 3301

THE NORTHERN CROSS September 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 7 September.**

Jen's Weekly Prayer

The soft sound of the sea lapping on the shore
or the gentle sound of water from a fountain
or a garden feature can soothe and calm.

The steady glow of a candle flame brings comfort
and the harmony of music can bring rest and peace.

Silence in the midst of a scented and quiet garden
allows many of our senses to heal and rebuild.

Help us to take time to accept these simple
yet beautiful offerings available to us,
their healing and peaceful strength
are often at our fingertips.

Those close to us and those we have just encountered
can also be a source of these acts of love,
for your love is not hidden,

sometimes we are not always aware of its presence.

In a world filled with so much darkness, pain and suffering,
guide us by your constant light that may we have the
courage to move forward and be wrapped
with healing love and hope.

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First Reading*Jeremiah 20:7-9*

You have seduced me, Lord, and I have let myself be seduced;
you have overpowered me: you were the stronger.
I am a daily laughing-stock;
everybody's butt.

Each time I speak the word, I have to howl
and proclaim: 'Violence and ruin!'

The word of the Lord has meant for me
insult, derision, all day long.

I used to say, 'I will not think about him,
I will not speak in his name any more.'

Then there seemed to be a fire burning in my heart,
imprisoned in my bones.

The effort to restrain it wearied me,
I could not bear it.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm*Psalms 62:2-6. 8-9. R/v.2*

R/ For you my soul is thirsting, O Lord my God.

1. O God, you are my God, for you I long;
for you my soul is thirsting.
My body pines for you
like a dry, weary land without water.
2. So I gaze on you in the sanctuary
to see your strength and your glory.
For your love is better than life,
my lips will speak your praise.
3. So I will bless you all my life,
in your name I will lift up my hands.
My soul shall be filled as with a banquet,
my mouth shall praise you with joy.
4. For you have been my help;
in the shadow of your wings I rejoice.
My soul clings to you;
your right hand holds me fast.

Second Reading*Romans 12:1-2*

Think of God's mercy, my brothers, and worship him, I beg you, in a way that is worthy of thinking beings, by offering your living bodies as a holy sacrifice, truly pleasing to God. Do not model yourselves on the behaviour of the world around you, but let your behaviour change, modelled by your new mind. This is the only way to discover the will of God and know what is good, what it is that God wants, what is the perfect thing to do.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation*Cf. Ephesians 1:17-18*

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ
enlighten the eyes of our mind,
so that we can see
what hope his call holds for us.
Alleluia!

Gospel*Matthew 16:21-27*

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus began to make it clear to his disciples that he was destined to go to Jerusalem and suffer grievously at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, to be put to death and to be raised up on the third day. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. 'Heaven preserve you, Lord,' he said. 'This must not happen to you.' But he turned and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan! You are an obstacle in my path, because the way you think is not God's way but man's.'

Then Jesus said to his disciples, 'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it. What, then, will a man gain if he wins the whole world and ruins his life? Or what has a man to offer in exchange for his life?

'For the Son of Man is going to come in the glory of his Father with his angels and, when he does, he will reward each one according to his behaviour.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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