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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

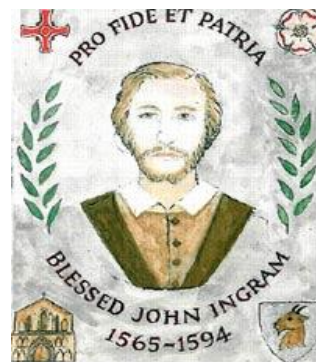
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Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle

28 January 2024

Fourth Sunday of the Year

Year B

The Parish Secretary, Julie Hindmarsh, will be in the Parish Office at Immaculate Heart Presbytery this week on Tuesday 10am - 4pm & Friday 10am - 2pm. She can also be contacted Tuesday & Wednesday 10am - 4pm and Friday 10am - 2pm by email stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk or by telephone 0191 460 4274/07891 162205.
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MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS 27 January - 4 February 2024

Saturday 27 January	5.30pm	St Philip Neri	People of the Parish
Sunday 28 January	9.00am	St Mary	Pauline Archbold (dec.)
Fourth Sunday of the Year (Year B)	10.30am	Immaculate Heart	Joan Stephenson (1 st ann.)
Monday 29 January			
Tuesday 30 January	N.B.	No Service	
Wednesday 31 January <i>St John Bosco</i>	N.B.	No Service	
Thursday 1 February	N.B.	No Service	
Friday 2 February <i>The Presentation of the Lord</i>			
Saturday 3 February	5.30pm	St Philip Neri	Gerard Cailey (ann.)
Sunday 4 February	9.00am	St Mary	People of the Parish
Fifth Sunday of the Year (Year B)	10.30am	Immaculate Heart	Thomas Quinn (ann.)

Weekday Readings Ordinary Time Week 4 Year 2

Sacrament of Reconciliation

5.00pm - 5.20pm on Saturday at St Philip Neri

Baptisms

*This Sunday, in the Sacrament of Baptism, we welcome
Florence Theresa & Arthur William Shilling into the Family of the Church*

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS Gordon Embley who died recently. The Requiem Mass for Gordon will be celebrated at 12.15pm on Friday 9 February at St Mary's followed by cremation at Saltwell Crematorium. May he rest in peace. Amen.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK Veronica Coleman, Ann Crompton, Raymond Deponio, Barney & Veronica Hayes, Marie Hogg, Maria Thi Kien Chiene Le, John Leitch, Dickie Lindsley, Cheryl Anne McDonald, Nora Miller, Pauline Mulholland, Margaret Murphy, 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).

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday 6 February 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.

FOOD BANK & REFUGEE 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, pasta sauce, tinned meat (mince, corned beef, pek), sweetcorn, carrots, potatoes, chopped tomatoes, fruit, mayonnaise.

Other priority items: dried pasta, long grained rice, tinned hotdogs, meatballs, garden peas, baked beans, soup, , tuna, rice pudding, custardgravy granules, crisps, biscuits, jam, cereal, squash, tomato purée, tomato ketchup, sugar, teabags, coffee, cooking oil, spray cleaner, washing up liquid, laundry powder/liquid, feminine hygiene (especially tampons), toilet rolls, anti-perspirant, shampoo, toothpaste.

Other items we put into the monthly food bags for the Refugee Project: tinned chickpeas & kidney beans.

Every Thursday volunteers are in Immaculate Heart of Mary Church between 9.30am - 10.30am so parishioners can drop donations off 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, via mobile 07837 386760 or email teachkate1@gmail.com

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION 2024 If your child is currently in Year 4 (or above) and they are not attending a Catholic School and you would like them to prepare to celebrate their First Holy Communion this year, please contact the Parish Office at Immaculate Heart as soon as possible, e-mail stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk or tel. 0191 460 4274, providing your name, address, telephone number and email address. Thank you.

HOLY ISLAND SVP CAMP Are you interested in your child having a holiday in 2024? Let them join us for a week on Holy Island. They'll stay in our Centre and be looked after by DBS checked and trained helpers who will ensure they have a safe, fun time. We do lots of interesting and enjoyable activities such as rock pooling, longball, football, rounders, walking, craft and art, table tennis, long ball, quizzes and competitions and marathons as well as laser tag, silly sports, sandcastle building, swimming and scavenger hunts.

Girls and boys can be aged 9-12 and it is a great way for them to meet new people and make friends from all over the North East. A week's all-inclusive holiday costs a donation of £150 and can be paid in instalments. In some circumstances children may be able to receive partial or full funding to attend. If you're interested, or know of a child who could benefit from such a holiday, please visit our website for further details at <https://www.svp.org.uk/microsite/holy-island>

MARY'S PLACE NEWCASTLE Mary's Place opens every Monday to provide meals and clothing for the homeless in Newcastle. **At present we are in urgent need of any unwanted sleeping bags you may have.** If you can help, please contact Ann Joyce on 07807 751896 or email ann.joyce49@yahoo.com. Thank you.

YOUTH MINISTRY CONFERENCE - 3 FEBRUARY 2024 This Youth Ministry and Practical Theology Conference is YMT's first conference since the COVID-19 pandemic and we look forward to gathering with youth ministers, catechists, clergy, teachers, staff and volunteer co-workers from across the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle and beyond! The theme for the conference is "Investing in the Fearlessness of Youth", inspired by a quote from Pope Francis' letter, *Christus Vivit* (Chapter 7 no. 233). We hope you can join us for this Youth Ministry Conference.

Booking is still open and you can either email nsalkeld@ymt.org or book online here: www.ticketsource.co.uk/youthministryteam Online booking will apply booking fees.

We are looking forward to welcoming keynote speaker, Reverend Professor David Wilkinson, Director of Equipping Christian Leadership in an Age of Science, an international project based at St John's College, Durham, who will explore how we can engage young people in the Gospel when we live in a world of science. We are also pleased to welcome back David Wells, international speaker, best-selling author and friend of YMT, to guide us to reflect on our theme.

For more information about the conference visit www.ymt.org/ymt-conference

NEWSLETTER ITEMS Please send any items for next weekend's Newsletter to the Parish Office **by 10.00am on Thursday 1 February.**

Jen's Weekly Prayer

When fear looms we cannot see the light.
Pain and sadness rob us of the great beauty and love
which surround us.

Darkness cripples the strong and flaws the weak.
It is a darkness deeper than the darkness of night
for no light reflecting moon shines forth.
We need the love of those we hold closest to our hearts
to show us your love.

It is love which will enable us to find the courage
to visit our wounds and allow them to heal.
May the balm of love wash over us at this time
and enable the light of resurrection to bring us forth
to fulfil our journey.

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First Reading

Deuteronomy 18:15-20

Moses said to the people: 'Your God will raise up for you a prophet like myself, from among yourselves, from your own brothers; to him you must listen. This is what you yourselves asked of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the Assembly. "Do not let me hear again" you said "the voice of the Lord my God, nor look any longer on this great fire, or I shall die"; and the Lord said to me, "All they have spoken is well said. I will raise up a prophet like yourselves for them from their own brothers; I will put my words into his mouth and he shall tell them all I command him. The man who does not listen to my words that he speaks in my name, shall be held answerable to me for it. But the prophet who presumes to say in my name a thing I have not commanded him to say, or who speaks in the name of other gods, that prophet shall die."' "

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 94:1-2. 6-9. R/ v9

R/ O that today you would listen to his voice!

Harden not your hearts.

1. Come, ring out our joy to the Lord;
hail the rock who saves us.
Let us come before him, giving thanks,
with songs let us hail the Lord.
2. Come in; let us kneel and bend low;
let us kneel before the God who made us
for he is our God and we
the people who belong to his pasture,
the flock that is led by his hand.
3. O that today you would listen to his voice!
'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah,
as on that day at Massah in the desert
when your fathers put me to the test;
when they tried me, though they saw my work.'

Second Reading

I Corinthians 7:32-35

I would like to see you free from all worry. An unmarried man can devote himself to the Lord's affairs, all he need worry about is pleasing the Lord; but a married man has to bother about the world's affairs and devote himself to pleasing his wife: he is torn two ways. In the same way an unmarried woman, like a young girl, can devote herself to the Lord's affairs; all she need worry about is being holy in body and spirit. The married woman, on the other hand, has to worry about the world's affairs and devote herself to pleasing her husband. I say this only to help you, not to put a halter round your necks, but simply to make sure that everything is as it should be, and that you give your undivided attention to the Lord.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Cf. Matthew 11:25

Alleluia, Alleluia!
Blessed are you, Father,
Lord of heaven and earth,
for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom
to mere children.
Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 1:21-28

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus and his followers went as far as Capernaum, and as soon as the Sabbath came Jesus went to the synagogue and began to teach. And his teaching made a deep impression on them because, unlike the scribes, he taught them with authority. In their synagogue just then there was a man possessed by an unclean spirit, and it shouted, 'What do you want with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are: the Holy One of God.' But Jesus said sharply, 'Be quiet! Come out of him!' And the unclean spirit threw the man into convulsions and with a loud cry went out of him. The people were so astonished that they started asking each other what it all meant. 'Here is a teaching that is new' they said, 'and with authority behind it: he gives orders even to unclean spirits and they obey him.' And his reputation rapidly spread everywhere, through all the surrounding Galilean countryside.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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