

THE PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST PHILIP NERI

Immaculate Heart of Mary ▪ Lobley Hill

St Mary ▪ Wickham

St Philip Neri ▪ Dunston

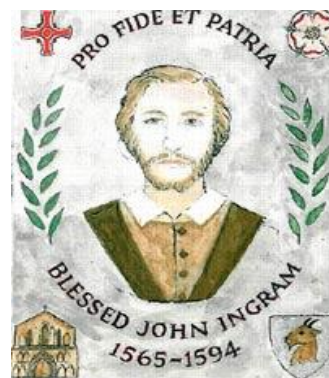
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The John Ingram Partnership
Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle

Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and gave them out to all who were sitting ready; he then did the same with the fish, giving out as much as was wanted. *John 6:11*

28 July 2024

Seventeenth Sunday of The Year

Year B

The Parish Secretary, Christine Byrne, will be available in the Parish Office at Immaculate Heart Presbytery on Tuesday 9.00am - 3.00pm and Friday 9.00am - 1.00pm. She can also be contacted by email ourladystphilipneri.gateshead@diocesehn.org.uk or by telephone 0191 460 4274 / 07575 548547 on Tuesday & Wednesday 9.00am - 3.00pm and Friday 9.00am - 1.00pm.

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MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS 27 July - 4 August 2024

Saturday 27 July	5.30pm	St Philip Neri	People of The Parish
Sunday 28 July	9.00am	St Mary	Mary Turnbull (liv.)
Seventeenth Sunday of the Year (B)	10.30am	Immaculate Heart	Mary Cookson (dec.)
Monday 29 July <i>Ss Martha, Mary & Lazarus</i>			
Tuesday 30 July <i>St Peter Chrysologus</i>	9.30am	Immaculate Heart	Deceased of Taylor Family
Wednesday 31 July <i>St Ignatius of Loyola</i>	9.30am	St Philip Neri	N.B.F.
Thursday 1 August <i>St Alphonsus Liguori</i>	9.30am	St Mary	Kathleen Cunningham (dec.)
Friday 2 August			
Saturday 3 August	5.30pm	St Philip Neri	People of The Parish
Sunday 4 August	9.00am	St Mary	Victoria Louise Swinburne (dec.)
Eighteenth Sunday of the Year (B)	10.30am	Immaculate Heart	Joe Welsh (dec.)

Weekday Readings

Ordinary Time Week 17 Year 2

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 and Thursday at St Mary's

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS Fr Joseph O'Brien who was ordained priest for our Diocese in St Mary's Cathedral on Saturday 20 July.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK Veronica Coleman, Ann Crompton, John Jukes, Maria Thi Kien Chiene Le, John Leitch, Bill Martin, Frank McCoy, Cheryl Anne McDonald, Nora Miller, Pauline Mulholland, Margaret Murphy, Astrid Muse (Gower), Joseph Relph, Tony Richardson.

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)

PARISH SECRETARY We wish Christine well and assure her of our prayers and best wishes as she moves on to new employment at the end of this month, having received an opportunity to work remotely (from home). Christine's final day in the Office will be Friday 2 August (9.00am - 1pm) and our new Parish Secretary, Theresa Noble, will begin in the Office on Tuesday 6 August (9.00am - 3pm).

NEW PARISH EMAIL ADDRESS The Diocese is currently undertaking the roll out of Microsoft 365 as the new online diocesan platform for communication and collaboration across the Diocese.

As part of this roll out, the parish email address is changing. For all future email communications to the Parish Office, please use this new email address:

ourladystphilipneri.gateshead@diocesehn.org.uk

Fr Peter, as Parish Priest, also has a new parish email address for any communications specifically for him:

pp.ourladystphilipneri.gateshead@diocesehn.org.uk

The parish telephone number and website address remain unchanged.

PARISH FINANCES The parish accounts for the three months April - June 2024 have been completed and show that funds have fallen by £5,683 to a figure of £263,431.

Offertory collections of £13,525 are 4.6% down on last year with Easter falling in March rather than April being a factor. Income from the three parish rental properties (St Mary's Presbytery, St Mary's Hall and Dockendale Cottage, Whickham) was £5,864 which after attributable costs saw a surplus of £2,977 bolstering parish funds. Without this benefit the deficit for the quarter would have been £8,660.

Church specific expenditure is spread over a number of categories including utilities (£2,926), staff wages (£4,708), clergy costs (£2,176), diocesan levy (£2,957), repairs (£3,301), insurance premiums (£1,461), gardening services (£1,535), council tax (£550) and various church requisites and parish office costs (£2,596).

As a separate item the parish continues to hold monies on behalf of Gift for Life, Foodbank and special collections which total £13,112.

Once again, we thank you for your ongoing generosity in the form of Offertory Collections and donations as we seek to maintain our parish in as healthy financial position as possible.

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

RED BOX/MISSIO COLLECTIONS Apologies for the delay in collecting the Red Boxes this year. The next Red Box collection is scheduled for September when the next copy of the *Mission Today* magazine is due. Please look out for the notice in the newsletter. If you have any queries please contact your local *Missio* secretary, Lilian Gray, on 07717 853685 or liliangray@sky.com If you would like more information about the work of *Missio* please visit www.missio.org.uk

THE NEW LECTIONARIES FOR MASS AND THE NEW PEOPLE'S SUNDAY MISSALS have now been ordered. All twelve volumes of the Lectionary (i.e. four volumes per Lectionary for each of our three churches) have been sponsored and an anonymous donation has been received to purchase a Book of the Gospels. Many thanks to those parishioners who very generously sponsored the Lectionaries and the Book of the Gospels. Delivery of the Lectionaries, Book of the Gospels and the People's Sunday Missals is expected in October, in time for their introduction on the First Sunday of Advent (1 December). **Payment** - If you have yet to make your payment, the costs (minus 10% discount) are:

- Lectionary (per volume) **£156.60** (£174 -10%)
- Red People's Sunday Missal **£18** (£19.95 -10%),
- Burgundy People's Sunday Missal **£27** (£29.95 -10%).

Cheque - If you wish to pay by cheque, please make cheques payable to *Our Lady and St Philip Neri*

Bank Transfer - If you wish to pay by bank transfer, the details you will need are:

Payee: DHN Gateshead Our Lady & St Philip Neri

Sort code: 40-34-45

Account number: 21167936

Reference: *Lectionary or People's Missal*

Cash payments can also be made - please place in an envelope with your name on it, adding *Lectionary or People's Missal*

LITURGY DAY FOR READERS A Liturgy Day for Readers and the New Lectionary will take place on **Saturday 12 October, 10.30am - 3.30pm at St Patrick's, Victoria Road, Consett DH8 5AX**. This is an opportunity for those who proclaim the Scriptures at Sunday or Weekday Mass to look at the background of why we are going to be using a new translation of the Scriptures at Mass. We shall look at the steps to be taken to be ready to proclaim the Word of God with confidence and clarity using this new translation. **If you would like to attend, please sign up on the sheet at the back of church (N.B. the booking fee of £15 per person will be paid for by the Parish).**

PARISH FOOD BANK AND REFUGEE PROJECT UPDATE N.B. We are short of most produce - even if you can only bring along 1 or 2 tins please bring them along to church to help out. Monetary donations are also very much appreciated.

FOOD ITEMS IN SHORT SUPPLY: UHT milk, dried pasta, tinned chopped tomatoes, tuna, meat (corned beef, pek), potatoes, soup, gravy granules, long grained rice, tomato purée, crisps, biscuits, coffee, teabags, toothpaste, toilet rolls.

OTHER priority items: cereal, pasta sauce, tomato ketchup, mayonnaise, tinned baked beans, meatballs, hotdogs, rice pudding, custard, fruit, carrots, sweetcorn, garden peas, cooking oil, laundry powder/liquid, spray cleaner, sugar, jam, washing up liquid, shower gel feminine hygiene(towels & tampons), antiperspirant, shampoo.

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

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

THE ANNUAL BLESSED JOHN INGRAM WALK This Sunday 28 July 2024, the 52nd Annual Blessed John Ingram Walk will be led by Fr. Luke Wilkinson. We meet at St Andrew's Anglican Church, Newgate Street, Newcastle on Tyne at 2.30pm for a 2.45pm start. We walk to St Edmund's Chapel, High Street, Gateshead for an Ecumenical Service followed by refreshments. Non walkers please meet at St Edmund's at 3.30pm. This wonderful walk of witness is organised by the SVP with the help of clergy and parishioners of St Andrew's and St Edmund's. We encourage parishioners of the John Ingram Partnership to come along and find out more about our local history, and about the namesake of our partnership.

NEWMAN TYNESIDE CIRCLE invites you to a **guided tour of St Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle** (with particular attention to the stained-glass windows, including the new Kevin Nichols window). The tour will take place on **Tuesday 6 August, at 2pm** and will be followed by discussion, refreshments and an extraordinary general meeting of the Circle.

CAFOD - Would you like to take part in the Great North Run for CAFOD? If so, we'd love to invite you to take on the challenge. The Great North Run happens on Sunday 8 September in Newcastle and is the biggest Half Marathon in the world!

If you'd like a place to run for CAFOD, please follow this link here: [Great North Run](#) or email events@cafod.org.uk.

SAFEGUARDING *The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency (CSSA) and Diocesan policies and procedures at all times. Each of our churches has a Parish Safeguarding Representative (PSR) indicated on the Safeguarding posters in each church - Angela Bell (Immaculate Heart), Bernadette Salmon & Joe Wheatley (St Mary's), Denise Hebron (St Philip Neri). Alternatively, the Diocesan Safeguarding Team can be contacted on 0191 243 3305 or safeguarding@diocesehn.org*

DIOCESAN VACANCIES

- The Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle is looking to appoint a full-time, permanent **Management Accountant** to work in the Department for Finance in the Diocesan Offices in Newcastle. Please visit www.diocesehn.org.uk/job-vacancies for full details or contact us on 0191 243 3301. Closing date for applications: 28 July.
- The Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle is looking to appoint a full-time Property Surveyor on a two-year fixed-term contract. The role will be based in the Diocesan Offices in Newcastle, with travel throughout the Diocese. Please visit www.diocesehn.org.uk/job-vacancies for full details or contact us on 0191 243 3301. Closing date for applications: 4 August.

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

Jen's Weekly Prayer

A very small word
yet many symphonies, songs, plays, ballads
have been written about it,
arias sung, endless conversations shared,
great works of art painted,
all about love.

We are given so many opportunities to use this word
with multitudes of explanations and expressions
to illustrate its greatness.

Help us to avail ourselves to open the window
of opportunity, to reach out sometimes
without ever seeing the person or persons concerned
for love has no barriers, no walls or boarders.

Our love for and to each other of love
between family members, friends, acquaintances,
strangers the natural world and so much more.
Love freely given is as wondrous as the first trickle
of a waterfall which expands and swells
as it becomes a stream, a river, a sea,
all providing the areas through which they flow
to flourish and develop.

This extraordinary gift is within each of us to spread
in the knowledge that it has no end for it begins with You.
Grant that we truly appreciate the more we give away
the more we have to share, for love can be the source
of healing without ever being spoken,
it gives comfort, strength, it is everlasting.

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First Reading*II Kings 4:42-44*

A man came from Baal-Shalishah, bringing Elisha, the man of God, bread from the first-fruits, twenty barley loaves and fresh grain in the ear. 'Give it to the people to eat,' Elisha said. But his servant replied, 'How can I serve this to a hundred men?' 'Give it to the people to eat' he insisted 'for the Lord says this, "They will eat and have some left over."' He served them; they ate and had some over, as the Lord had said.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm*Psalm 144:10-11. 15-18. R/v.16***Response:**

You open wide your hand, O Lord, and grant our desires.

1. All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord,
and your friends shall repeat their blessing.
They shall speak of the glory of your reign
and declare your might, O God.
2. The eyes of all creatures look to you
and you give them their food in due time.
You open wide your hand,
grant the desires of all who live.
3. The Lord is just in all his ways
and loving in all his deeds.
He is close to all who call him,
who call on him from their hearts.

Second Reading*Ephesians 4:1-6*

I, the prisoner in the Lord, implore you to lead a life worthy of your vocation. Bear with one another charitably, in complete selflessness, gentleness and patience. Do all you can to preserve the unity of the spirit by the peace that binds you together. There is one Body, one Spirit, just as you were all called into one and the same hope when you were called. There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one God who is Father of all, through all and within all.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation*cf. John 6:63. 68*

Alleluia, alleluia!
Your words are spirit, Lord,
and they are life:
you have the message of eternal life.
Alleluia!

Gospel*John 6:1-15*

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus went off to the other side of the Sea of Galilee - or of Tiberias - and a large crowd followed him, impressed by the signs he gave by curing the sick. Jesus climbed the hillside and sat down there with his disciples. It was shortly before the Jewish feast of Passover.

Looking up, Jesus saw the crowds approaching and said to Philip, 'Where can we buy some bread for these people to eat?' He only said this to test Philip; he himself knew exactly what he was going to do. Philip answered, 'Two hundred denarii would only buy enough to give them a small piece each.' One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said, 'There is a small boy here with five barley loaves and two fish; but what is that between so many?' Jesus said to them, 'Make the people sit down.' There was plenty of grass there, and as many as five thousand men sat down. Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks and gave them out to all who were sitting ready; he then did the same with the fish, giving out as much as was wanted. When they had eaten enough he said to the disciples, 'Pick up the pieces left over, so that nothing gets wasted.' So they picked them up, and filled twelve hampers with scraps left over from the meal of five barley loaves. The people, seeing this sign that he had given, said, 'This really is the prophet who is to come into the world.' Jesus, who could see they were about to come and take him by force and make him king, escaped back to the hills by himself.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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