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Exodus 16:15

THE PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST PHILIP NERI

Immaculate Heart of Mary ▪ Lobley Hill

St Mary ▪ Whickham

St Philip Neri ▪ Dunston

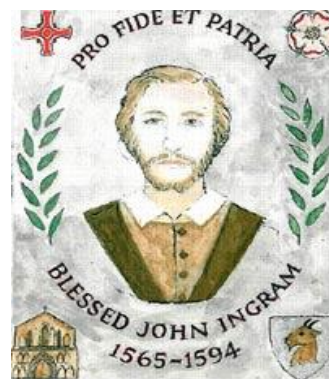
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Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle

4 August 2024

Eighteenth Sunday of The Year

Year B

The Parish Secretary, Theresa Noble, 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 on Tuesday & Wednesday 9.00am - 3.00pm and Friday 9.00am - 1.00pm.

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MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS 3 - 11 August 2024

Saturday 3 August <i>St Oswald</i>	5.30pm	St Philip Neri	People of The Parish
Sunday 4 August	9.00am	St Mary	Victoria Louise Swinburne (dec.)
<i>Eighteenth Sunday of the Year (B)</i>	10.30am	Immaculate Heart	Joe Welsh (dec.)
Monday 5 August			
Tuesday 6 August <i>Transfiguration of the Lord</i>	9.30am	Immaculate Heart	Veronica & Barney Hayes (dec.)
Wednesday 7 August	9.30am	St Philip Neri	N.B.F.
Thursday 8 August	9.30am	St Mary	Norma & Michael Kavanagh (dec.)
Friday 9 August <i>St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross</i>			
Saturday 10 August <i>St Lawrence</i>	5.30pm	St Philip Neri	People of The Parish
Sunday 11 August	9.00am	St Mary	Pauline Archbold (dec.)
<i>Nineteenth Sunday of the Year (B)</i>	10.30am	Immaculate Heart	Joanne & Paddy Hayes (Pearl Wedding Anniv.)

Weekday Readings

Ordinary Time Week 18 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

Baptisms

Last Sunday, 28 July, in the Sacrament of Baptism, we welcomed into the Family of the Church Jessica Jane Butler and this Sunday, 4 August, we welcome Zuzanna Jarmuz

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 A warm welcome to Theresa Noble, our new Parish Secretary, who begins in the Parish Office at Immaculate Heart Presbytery this Tuesday 6 August (9.00am - 3.00pm).

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY will be celebrated on Thursday 15 August and is a Holyday of Obligation. Masses in the Parish will be at the following times:
Wednesday 14 August Vigil Mass 6.30pm at Immaculate Heart of Mary.

Thursday 15 August Morning Mass 9.30am at St Philip Neri.

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 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

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, tinned chopped tomatoes, tuna, meat (corned beef, pek), peas, carrots, rice pudding, custard, fruit.

OTHER priority items: cereal, pasta sauce, dried pasta, tomato ketchup, mayonnaise, tinned baked beans, meatballs, hotdogs, fruit, carrots, sweetcorn, long grained rice, tomato purée, sugar, jam, crisps, potatoes, soup, gravy granules, biscuits, coffee, teabags, cooking oil, toothpaste, toilet rolls, laundry powder/liquid, spray cleaner, 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 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).**

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.

SPUC PETITION SPUC (Society for the Protection of Unborn Children) is promoting a petition relating to the two-child benefit cap which has received recent publicity.

SPUC says: *One of the biggest drivers in the UK is poverty and one particular policy which penalises families and contributes to poverty is the current government policy on Universal Benefits. Some abortion providers themselves have identified that the government's punitive two-child Universal Credit limit is 'a significant factor' in many women deciding to abort their children. The two-child benefit cap targets the poor and vulnerable. Please help mothers to choose life and overturn the cruel and punitive two-child benefit cap by signing the petition cards at the back of church.*

If you wish to support the petition, please complete one of the cards at the back of church and return this weekend or next weekend - please place cards in the basket at the back of church.

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.

DIOCESAN VACANCIES The Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle is looking to appoint to the following roles:

Property Surveyor, full time 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.

Parish Finance Officer, full-time, on a two-year fixed-term contract. The role will be based in the Diocesan Offices in Newcastle, with travel throughout the Diocese. Closing date for applications: 13 August.

Cleaner, St Charles, Gosforth - 5 hours a week. Closing date for applications: 16 August.

Please visit www.diocesehn.org.uk/job-vacancies for full details or contact us on 0191 243 3301.

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 8 August**.

Jen's Weekly Prayer

The beauty and silence of the pre-dawn
is filled with a comforting peace,
the first slivers of light which change the velvet darkness
can also fill us with hope, for each new day is a gift.

As the first glints of sunrise break through
the darkness stillness continues.

The sea and sky are as one
before the red gold light of the sun spreads onwards.
Our acts of kindness, care and compassion can spread
like the glowing light of the early morning sunrise
and bring comfort and peace to those who need our help,
for small ripples lead to great waves of love.

They can spread far and wide
for we are not restricted by time or place,
our willingness to share a little of ourselves for others
is to reach out even in fear of rejection,
for love is never wasted.

Grant that we may have the courage to allow
our gifts and love to wash gently upon the shores
of each day's challenges, joys and opportunities
and be filled with hope and peace.

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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

First Reading*Exodus 16:2-4. 12-15*

The whole community of the sons of Israel began to complain against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness and said to them, 'Why did we not die at the Lord's hand in the land of Egypt, when we were able to sit down to pans of meat and could eat bread to our heart's content! As it is, you have brought us to this wilderness to starve this whole company to death!' Then the Lord said to Moses, 'Now I will rain down bread for you from the heavens. Each day the people are to go out and gather the day's portion; I propose to test them in this way to see whether they will follow my law or not.' I have heard the complaints of the sons of Israel. Say this to them, "Between the two evenings you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have bread to your heart's content. Then you will learn that I, the Lord, am your God." And so it came about: quails flew up in the evening, and they covered the camp; in the morning there was a coating of dew all round the camp. When the coating of dew lifted, there on the surface of the desert was a thing delicate, powdery, as fine as hoarfrost on the ground. When they saw this, the sons of Israel said to one another, 'What is that?' not knowing what it was. 'That' said Moses to them 'is the bread the Lord gives you to eat.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm*Psalm 77:3-4. 23-25. 54. R/ v.24*

Response: The Lord gave them bread from heaven.

1. The things we have heard and understood,
the things our fathers have told us,
we will tell to the next generation:
the glories of the Lord and his might. **R/**
2. He commanded the clouds above
and opened the gates of heaven.
He rained down manna for their food,
and gave them bread from heaven. **R/**
3. Mere men ate the bread of angels.
He sent them abundance of food.
He brought them to his holy land,
to the mountain which his right hand had won. **R/**

Second Reading*Ephesians 4:17. 20-24*

I want to urge you in the name of the Lord, not to go on living the aimless kind of life that pagans live. Now that is hardly the way you have learnt from Christ, unless you failed to hear him properly when you were taught what the truth is in Jesus. You must give up your old way of life; you must put aside your old self, which gets corrupted by following illusory desires. Your mind must be renewed by a spiritual revolution so that you can put on the new self that has been created in God's way, in the goodness and holiness of the truth.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation*Matthew 4:4*

Alleluia, alleluia!

Man does not live on bread alone,

but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.

Alleluia!

Gospel*John 6:24-35*

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

When the people saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they got into boats and crossed to Capernaum to look for Jesus. When they found him on the other side, they said to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come here?' Jesus answered:

'I tell you most solemnly, you are not looking for me because you have seen the signs but because you had all the bread you wanted to eat. Do not work for food that cannot last, but work for food that endures to eternal life, the kind of food the Son of Man is offering you, for on him the Father, God himself, has set his seal.'

Then they said to him, 'What must we do if we are to do the works that God wants?' Jesus gave them this answer, 'This is working for God: you must believe in the one he has sent.' So they said, 'What sign will you give to show us that we should believe in you? What work will you do? Our fathers had manna to eat in the desert; as scripture says: He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'

Jesus answered:

'I tell you most solemnly, it was not Moses who gave you bread from heaven, it is my Father who gives you the bread from heaven, the true bread; for the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.'

'Sir,' they said, 'give us that bread always.' Jesus answered:

'I am the bread of life. He who comes to me will never be hungry; he who believes in me will never thirst.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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