



If good works do not go with faith, it is quite dead... I will prove to you that I have faith by showing you my good deeds - now you prove to me that you have faith without any good deeds to show.

James 2:17-18

THE PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST PHILIP NERI

Immaculate Heart of Mary ▪ Lobley Hill

St Mary ▪ Whickham

St Philip Neri ▪ Dunston

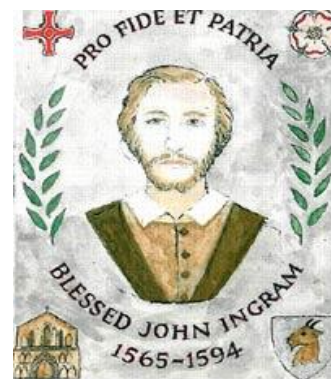
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The John Ingram Partnership
Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle

15 September 2024

Twenty Fourth 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 14 September - 22 September 2024

Saturday 14 September	5.30pm	St Philip Neri	People of the Parish
Sunday 15 September	9.00am	St Mary	Stephen Airey (dec.)
Twenty Third Sunday of the Year (B)	10.30am	Immaculate Heart	Mary Cookson (dec.)
Monday 16 September <i>Ss Cornelius and Cyprian</i>			
Tuesday 17 September <i>N.B. No Weekday Masses</i>			
Wednesday 18 September			
Thursday 19 September			
Friday 20 September <i>Ss Andrew Kim, Paul Chong Hasang and Companions (Korean Martyrs)</i>			
Saturday 21 September	5.30pm	St Philip Neri	People of the Parish
Sunday 22 September	9.00am	St Mary	Kathleen Cunningham (dec.)
Twenty Fourth Sunday of the Year (B)	10.30am	Immaculate Heart	Ann Tate (dec.)

Weekday Readings

Ordinary Time Week 24 Year 2

Sacrament of Reconciliation

5.00pm - 5.20pm on Saturday at St Philip Neri

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS Paul Coleman who died recently. The Graveside Service for Paul will be held at Garden House Cemetery on Tuesday 24 September at 2.00pm. May he rest in peace. Amen.

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).

EVANGELII GAUDIUM SUNDAY *Evangelii Gaudium /Joy of the Gospel Sunday (formerly Home Mission Sunday)* will be celebrated in our parishes this weekend 14/15 September 2024. It gives us the opportunity to reflect on the great mandate we have been given by the Risen Lord to evangelise the whole world. "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations," the Lord commissions, as we hear in Matthew 28:19. Inspired by our ongoing Synodal process, Scripture, and Pope Francis' Apostolic Exhortation, *Evangelii Gaudium*, we have chosen the theme 'Growing as missionary disciples'. On the day itself, we can encourage the faithful to pray for our parish communities, that they would become intentionally missionary in their life and witness. **A retiring collection will be taken this weekend to support the work of the Bishops' Conference Mission Directorate.** Please hold this important work in your prayers.

NEW PARISH APPOINTMENTS As announced at Masses last weekend, Bishop Stephen has asked Canon Peter to become Parochial Administrator of Sacred Heart Parish, Byermoor in addition to his current responsibilities as Parish Priest of the Parish of Our Lady and St Philip Neri. Bishop Stephen is also appointing Fr Endre Kormos as Assistant Priest for the Parishes of Our Lady and St Philip Neri and Sacred Heart, Byermoor.

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 but monetary donations are also very much appreciated.**

IN SHORT SUPPLY - UHT milk, squash, cereal, tinned garden peas, rice pudding, meatballs, hotdogs, shampoo, feminine hygiene (towels & tampons), toilet rolls.

OTHER priority items - tomato ketchup, mayonnaise, tinned potatoes, garden peas, soup, fruit, meat (corned beef, pek) carrots, sweetcorn, chopped tomatoes, baked beans, custard, pasta sauce, dried pasta, long grained rice, tomato purée, crisps, gravy granules, teabags, sugar, jam, biscuits, coffee, cooking oil, toothpaste, laundry powder/liquid, shower gel, antiperspirant, washing up liquid, spray cleaner.

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 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

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 by next weekend 21/22 September. (N.B. the booking fee of £15 per person will be paid for by the Parish.)**

RED MISSION BOXES are now due to be emptied. Money can be given to Lilian Gray at Immaculate Heart and St Mary's (on Sunday 22 September) or Denise Hebron at St Philip Neri. Copies of *Mission Today Autumn 2024* are now available but the magazine can also be read online by visiting the *Mission* website: <https://missio.org.uk/mission-today/> Please contact Lilian Gray on 07717 853685 or liliangray@sky.com if you have any queries.

LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR - PIE AND PEA SUPPER The Little Sisters of the Poor, Newcastle are having a pie, pea and chip supper (vegetarians will be catered for) with bingo and raffle at St Joseph's Home on Wednesday 25 September 2024 at 7.00pm in aid of the work of the Little Sisters of the Poor at St Joseph's Home. Tickets are £7, available from St Joseph's Home, tel. 0191 273 1279.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN FINDING OUT MORE ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH? The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) supports adults who want to explore their spirituality and if they wish to become a Catholic. It is an informal system of regular meetings to explore what it means to be a Catholic. Meetings are generally held on Tuesday evenings at St. Patrick's Parish Centre, Felling at 6.30 pm for one hour, only during school term times. These meetings allow participants to talk about topics in an open, non-judgemental way. Topics look at the history of the Church, The Bible, the Sacraments of the Church and prayer. You can suggest topics too. The meetings are based around the Sycamore Course approved by the Church. Participants do not have to make their mind up straight away but can decide as the course progresses. This decision is yours alone. **An initial meeting is to take place on Tuesday 17 September at 6.30 pm at St Patrick's Parish Centre, Felling NE10 9LT.** Please feel free to come along for a short introduction to the Programme and a chance to ask any questions you may have. You are encouraged to talk to Canon Peter or call Alan Edgell on 07976 402023.

Jen's Weekly Prayer

Fine crystal is beautiful, it can be plain etched cut, moulded into many different shapes and colours by the skilled hand of the glass blower.

It is fragile it has depth, handled it can feel soft against the hand and yet strong.

Light reflected from it dazzling.

Peace is also fragile, it too is both fragile and strong and for peace to be effective each person plays a role for, like the crystal, it does not become the beautiful goblet sculpture vase or any other vessel without the skill and care of other hands, each grain each turn of the glass vital.

May we strive to find within us the skill to find our inner peace and use that peace to reach out to others until that tiny stream of loving peace becomes a river of extending light and strength for others in all communities as it continues its journey and brings an end to conflicts, violence, suppression, oppression, where love, from tiny grains, becomes torrents of hope for all peoples.

DIOCESAN VACANCIES

The Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle is looking to appoint to the following vacancies:

Deputy Director of Education – Full-time, term-time. Closing date: 1 October.

Property Surveyor – Full-time, maternity cover. Closing date: 23 September.

Youth Safeguarding Adviser – Full-time, 2-year fixed-term contract. Closing date: 23 September.

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

VOCATIONS DISCERNMENT Men aged 18+, who think God might be calling them to serve in the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle as a Priest, are invited to explore their vocation with the Diocesan Priestly Vocations Team. Meetings take place each month between 18.00 and 20.00 at St Joseph's Church, Thorneyholme Terrace, Stanley. The next meetings will be on: Tuesday 1 October, Tuesday 5 November and Tuesday 3 December. If you would like more information, please contact the Vocations Promoter, Fr Shaun Purdy by email: vocationspromoter@diocesehn.org.uk or telephone: 01207 299012.

NEWSLETTER ITEMS Please send any items for next weekend's Newsletter to the Parish **Office by 10.00am on Thursday 19 September.**

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*Isaiah 50:5-9*

The Lord has opened my ear.

For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away. I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle.

The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed.

My vindicator is here at hand. Does anyone start proceedings against me? Then let us go to court together. Who thinks he has a case against me? Let him approach me. The Lord is coming to my help, who will dare condemn me?

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm*Psalms 114:1-6. 8-9. R/v.9*

***R/ I will walk in the presence of the Lord,
in the land of the living.***

1. I love the Lord for he has heard
the cry of my appeal
for he turned his ear to me
in the day when I called him.
2. They surrounded me, the snares of death,
with the anguish of the tomb;
they caught me, sorrow and distress.
I called on the Lord's name.
O Lord my God, deliver me!
3. How gracious is the Lord, and just;
our God has compassion.
The Lord protects the simple hearts;
I was helpless so he saved me.
4. He has kept my soul from death,
my eyes from tears
and my feet from stumbling.
I will walk in the presence of the Lord
in the land of the living.

Second Reading*James 2:14-18*

Take the case, my brothers, of someone who has never done a single good act but claims that he has faith. Will that faith save him? If one of the brothers or one of the sisters is in need of clothes and has not enough food to live on, and one of you says to them, 'I wish you well; keep yourself warm and eat plenty,' without giving them these bare necessities of life, then what good is that? Faith is like that: if good works do not go with it, it is quite dead. This is the way to talk to people of that kind: 'You say you have faith and I have good deeds; I will prove to you that I have faith by showing you my good deeds - now you prove to me that you have faith without any good deeds to show.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation*Galatians 6:14*

Alleluia, alleluia!

The only thing I can boast about is the cross of our Lord, through whom the world is crucified to me, and I to the world. Alleluia!

Gospel*Mark 8:27-35*

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 disciples left for the villages round Caesarea Philippi. On the way he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say I am?' And they told him. 'John the Baptist,' they said 'others Elijah; others again, one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he asked 'who do you say I am?' Peter spoke up and said to him 'You are the Christ.' And he gave them strict orders not to tell anyone about him.

And he began to teach them that the Son of Man was destined to suffer grievously, to be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes, and to be put to death, and after three days to rise again; and he said all this quite openly. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. But, turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said to him, 'Get behind me, Satan! Because the way you think is not God's way but man's.'

He called the people and his disciples to him and said, '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, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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