



The Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul is celebrated on 29 June 'Both apostles share the same feast day, for these two were one;....Let us embrace what they believed, their life, their labours, their sufferings, their preaching, and their confession of faith.' From a sermon of St Augustine of Hippo, 395 AD

THE PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST PHILIP NERI
Immaculate Heart of Mary • Lobley Hill
St Mary • Whickham
St Philip Neri • Dunston
and
THE PARISH OF SACRED HEART, BYERMOOR

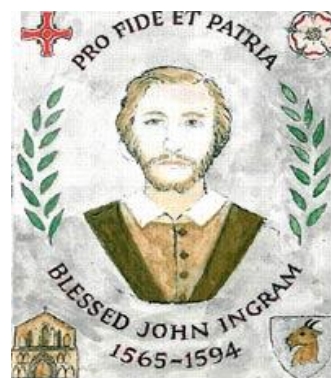
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The John Ingram Partnership
 Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle

29 June 2025

Saint Peter and Saint Paul, Apostles

Year C

The Parish Secretary, Theresa Noble, is on annual leave and will return to the Parish Office on Tuesday 14 July 9.00am-3.00pm
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MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS 28 June - 6 July 2025

Saturday 28 June	4.30pm	Sacred Heart	Terry & Mary Maguire & Patricia Lanning (dec.)
	5.30pm	St Philip Neri	People of the Parish
Sunday 29 June	9.00am	St Mary	James Cunningham (dec.) [PC]
Saint Peter and Saint Paul, Apostles (Year C)	10.30am	Immaculate Heart	Joe Welsh (dec.) [SW]
Monday 30 June	<u>1.30pm</u>	Sacred Heart	Priest's Intention
Tuesday 1 July	9.30am	Immaculate Heart	Angela Corrigan (dec.)
Wednesday 2 July	9.30am	St Philip Neri	Margaret & James Welsh (dec.) [MP]
Thursday 3 July <i>St Thomas, Apostle</i>	9.30am	St Mary	Peter Doran (dec.)
Friday 4 July	<u>5.30pm</u>	St Philip Neri	<i>First Holy Communion Mass</i>
Saturday 5 July	4.30pm	Sacred Heart	Private Intention [TC]
	5.30pm	St Philip Neri	People of the Parish
Sunday 6 July	9.00am	St Mary	Deceased of Lovell & McKenna Families [MC]
Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)	10.30am	Immaculate Heart	Barney & Veronica Hayes (dec.)

Weekday Readings: Ordinary Time Week 13 Year 1

Sacrament of Reconciliation

5.00pm - 5.20pm on Saturday at St Philip Neri, 1.00pm - 1.20pm on Monday at Sacred Heart,
 9.00am - 9.20am on Tuesday at Immaculate Heart and Thursday at St Mary's

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Monday 1.00pm - 1.20pm at Sacred Heart, 9.00am - 9.20pm on Tuesday at Immaculate Heart,
 Wednesday at St Philip Neri and Thursday at St Mary's

Benediction

Sunday 6 July 4.30pm at Sacred Heart

First Holy Communion

Please remember in your prayers the children from Sacred Heart, St Mary and St Philip Neri Primary Schools who are celebrating their First Holy Communion in June and In early July.

Baptism

This Sunday in the Sacrament of Baptism, we welcome Matthew Thomas Sholl-Bunce and Rosie Nicholson into the Family of the Church

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK Veronica Coleman, Ann Crompton, Teresa Fawcett, Tatiane Lambert, Maria Thi Kien Chiene Le, John Leitch, Bill Martin, Cheryl Anne McDonald, Nora Miller, 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).

PETER'S PENCE RETIRING COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND 28/29

JUNE Peter's Pence is the name for the financial help offered by the faithful to the Holy Father in his apostolic and charitable mission for the Universal Church and the entire world. Each donation, small or large, also has a powerful symbolic value - it is a concrete sign of communion with the Holy Father. Peter's Pence helps the Holy Father exercise his universal mission in two ways:

- it makes possible many works of service throughout the Universal Church, carried out by the Vatican Dicasteries (Departments) that assist the Pope in evangelization, the promotion of integral human development, education, communication, etc.
- it contributes to numerous charitable works directly assisting the most in need (people and families in distress, populations hit by natural disasters or war, or who are in need of humanitarian assistance or development support).

GIFT FOR LIFE - A BIG THANK YOU! Thank you so much to everyone who supported the recent *Gift for Life* Summer Social and raffle. You raised the excellent total of £1191.50 for our *Gift for Life* causes as well as building up our parish community during what proved to be a very successful day. Any raffle prizes that were not collected on the day will be united with their new owners shortly. Also, the July '100 Club' draw took place during the event and the winning numbers were 1st Prize (£50) number 101; 2nd Prize (£30) number 11 and 3rd Prize (£20) number 26. Three bonus prizes of £10 each went to numbers 80, 43 and 14. Congratulations to the winners. Thank you again for all your support – listening to Sr Vicky speak it is clear that it makes a huge difference to some very vulnerable people.

FOOD BANK & REFUGEE UPDATE We welcome ALL non perishable produce - even if you can only donate 1 or 2 tins please bring them along to church to help out - monetary donations are also very much appreciated.

IN SHORT SUPPLY: UHT milk, meatballs tinned meat (mince, corned beef, pek), tomato purée, biscuits, coffee, teabags, cooking oil, feminine hygiene (especially tampons), shampoo, washing up liquid, spray cleaner, antiperspirant.

OTHER priority items: cereal, tinned garden peas, baked beans, chopped tomatoes, sweetcorn, carrots, hot dogs, potatoes, custard, rice pudding, tuna, fruit, long grained rice, pasta sauce, dried pasta, sugar, laundry powder/liquid, toothpaste, shower gel, toilet rolls.

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 either via mobile 07837 386760 or email teachkate1@gmail.com

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday 1 July 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.

SIGNIFICANCE FESTIVAL Significance and the Youth Ministry Team invite all parishioners to join them at the Emmaus Village for the annual Significance Festival on **Saturday 28 June** beginning with Mass at 3.00pm celebrated by Bishop Stephen and followed by a Barbecue and Ceilidh in the evening. The Department for Formation and Mission is offering a half-day on 'Witness: Sharing our Faith in Today's World', a Year of Jubilee Formation opportunity which will lead into the Festival. Entry is free with charges for accommodation on Friday and Saturday nights. BBQ tickets will cost £10. All proceeds and donations will support Significance, the charity founded by Fr Dermott Donnelly. Please support this vital work. To request a booking form and for further information email Nicole at nsalkeld@ymt.org or Tel. 01207 592244.

WITNESS: SHARING OUR FAITH IN TODAY'S WORLD – A Year of Jubilee Formation Opportunity - Saturday 28 June, 9.20am - 1.30pm, Emmaus Village. Are you terrified by the idea of evangelisation? Do you dread people asking you about the Church? All are welcome to join us for: a day of sharing experiences and fears; an insight into how to deal with tough questions and 10 things that might help when talking to people about your faith! This witness formation event will lead into the **Significance Festival** with Mass celebrated by Bishop Stephen at 3pm followed by a BBQ, live music and ceilidh. **For more information and booking details please visit:**

<https://bit.ly/DHNWitness-Significance>

or contact the Formation & Mission team at:

adminfaith.mission@diocesehn.org.uk or call 0191 243 3316.

LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR The Little Sisters of the Poor Summer Fayre, planned for 5 July, **has been cancelled** due to unforeseen circumstances.

YOUTH 2000 HOLY HOUR of Adoration, Praise and Worship, Sacrament of Reconciliation, plus some social time afterwards, to be held at Durham University Chaplaincy, St Cuthbert's, Old Elvet, Durham on Saturday 5 July at 2pm. Aimed at age 18-35. All welcome.

NEWMAN TYNESIDE CIRCLE invites you to come and hear Gerald Williams speak about Jubilee: Redemption – a Hebrew Contract, a Christian Reconciliation, in the hall of Holy Name Church, Jesmond, Newcastle on Tuesday 8 July at 2.30pm.

DIOCESAN EDUCATION MASS School Directors and Governors are invited to attend a Mass of Thanksgiving for their dedication and service to Catholic education. The Mass will be celebrated at 6.30pm on Thursday 10 July at St Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle. The Principal Celebrant will be Bishop Stephen.

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED The Catholic charity *Aid to the Church in Need* is inviting pilgrims from across the UK to join them on pilgrimage in this Jubilee Year to the historic city of York from 21-26 July 2025. They will reflect on why over 50 Yorkshire men and women, such as St Margaret Clitheroe and St John Fisher, were prepared to die for our faith, and how their great sacrifices paved the way for the survival of faith now. The 2025 Aid to the Church in Need pilgrimage will be led by their Spiritual Director, Fr Dominic Robinson SJ, the ACN Pilgrimage Team and with Suze Mathews, pilgrimage historian. Pilgrimage cost is £285. For more information visit the ACN website - <https://acnuk.org/event/acn-pilgrimage-york-and-the-north-heartland-of-faith-and-hope/> or email Bridget Teasdale - Bridget.Teasdale@acnuk.org

VACANCY - PARISH SECRETARY A Parish Secretary is required for the following Newcastle parishes for 17 hours per week:

- English Martyrs, Newcastle and St Cuthbert's, Newcastle: 6 hours per week
- St Robert's, Newcastle and All Saints, Newcastle: 11 hours per week

This change reflects the growing administrative needs of the parish, including support with parish finances and planning. The closing date for applications is 11 July 2025.

If you have any questions or require further information, please visit <https://diocesehn.org.uk/job-vacancies/> or contact human.resources@diocesehn.org.uk or tel. 0191 243 3301.

NEWSLETTER ITEMS Please send any items for next weekend's Newsletter to the Parish Office **by 10.00am on Thursday 3 July.**

Jen's Weekly Prayer

The last rays of the setting sun glowed
a deep cardinal red as the light began to fade
and the sky was flooded
with soft baby blue and violet clouds.
There was a healing stillness as the almost translucent
soft light filtered through the tracery of branches
to bring the climax of the day to its end.
May we treasure these special moments
to allow ourselves to be calmed, still at peace,
by the natural world around us.
In times of anxiety and fear we need to have
Calming, gentle memories to help us
on our more troubled journeys.
For all who are facing difficult, challenging
and life threatening times, grant that their journey
will be short lived and the bright light of hope
will bring peace, safety and healing strength.

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SAFEGUARDING IN THE DIOCESE OF HEXHAM AND NEWCASTLE

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.uk

First Reading*Acts 12:1-11*

In those days:

Herod the king laid violent hands on some who belonged to the church. He killed James the brother of John with the sword, and when he saw that it pleased the Jews, he proceeded to arrest Peter also.

This was during the days of Unleavened Bread. and when he had seized him, he put him in prison, delivering him over to four squads of soldiers to guard him, intending after the Passover to bring him out to the people. So Peter was kept in prison, but earnest prayer for him was made to God by the church.

Now when Herod was about to bring him out, on that very night, Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, bound with two chains, and sentries before the door were guarding the prison. And behold, an angel of the Lord stood next to him, and a light shone in the cell. He struck Peter on the side and woke him, saying, 'Get up quickly.' And the chains fell off his hands. And the angel said to him, 'Dress yourself and put on your sandals.' And he did so. And he said to him, 'Wrap your cloak round you and follow me.' And he went out and followed him. He did not know that what was being done by the angel was real, but thought he was seeing a vision.

When they had passed the first and the second guard, they came to the iron gate leading into the city. It opened for them of its own accord and they went out and went along one street, and immediately the angel left him. When Peter came to himself, he said, 'Now I am sure that the Lord has sent his angel and rescued me from the hand of Herod and from all that the Jewish people were expecting.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm*Psalms 34(33): 2-3.4-5.6-7.8-9.R.5***R/ From all my terrors the Lord set me free.**

I will bless the Lord at all times,
praise of him is always in my mouth.
In the Lord my soul shall make its boast;
the humble shall hear and be glad. **R/**

Glorify the Lord with me;
together let us praise his name.
I sought the Lord, and he answered me;
from all my terrors he set me free. **R/**

Look towards him and be radiant;
let your faces not be abashed.
This lowly one called; the Lord heard,
and rescued him from all his distress. **R/**

The angel of the Lord is encamped
around those who fear him, to rescue them.
Taste and see that the Lord is good.
Blessed the man who seeks refuge in him. **R/**

Second Reading*2 Timothy 4:6-8,17-18*

Beloved:

I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept faith. Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that day, and not only to me, but also to all who have loved his appearing.

The Lord stood by me and strengthened me, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil deed and bring me safely into his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation*Matthew 16:18*

Alleluia, alleluia.

You are Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church,
and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

Alleluia.

Gospel*Matthew 16:13-19*

The Lord be with you.

And with your Spirit.

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

At that time:

When Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, He asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Simon Peter replied, 'You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.' And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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