

OUR LADY & ST PHILIP NERI PARISH NEWSLETTER

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<u>18th January 2015</u> 2nd Sunday of the Year (B)

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS 2nd Sunday of the Year Vigil Saturday 17th Emily Keane (Unwell) 5.30pm St Philip's Sunday 18th 9.30am Joyce Carrick St Mary's 11.00am Immaculate Heart George Kerr (Anniversary) Monday 19th Immaculate Heart Liturgy of the Word & Holy Comm 9.15am Tuesday 20th 7.00pm Immaculate Heart Dick Totton Wednesday 21st 10.00am St Philip's **Owen & Ellen McKeown** Thursday 22nd Wilson & Tempest Family (Dec) 9.30am St Mary's Friday 23rd 10.00am St Mary's Bridie Lee 3rd Sunday of the Year Vigil Saturday 24th 5.30pm St Philip's McLoughlin Family Sunday 25th Mary & Trish Primett (Dec) 9.30am St Mary's 11.00am Immaculate Heart Alan Henderson FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK Monday - St Wulstan; Tuesday - St Fabian; Wednesday - St Agnes;

Thursday – St Vincent; Saturday - St Francis de Sales.

SICK AND IN NEED OF PRAYER

Please pray for the following – Tracy McVeigh, Phoebe Pace (sick child), Paula Downing, James Roach, Doreen Crame, Alan Crame, Bernadette Corrigan, Mavis Thompson, Mick McMenemy, George Dodds, Sheila Rickerby, Ted Wood, Malcolm Carling, Derek Dewar, David Roach, Maureen McClenaghan, Josie O'Keefe, Susan Walker, Luke Roach, Heather Simpson, Eve Anderson, Paul Leonard, Nichole Gibbons, Terry Gardiner, Fr John Campbell (ex-parishioner of St Philips), Betty Wicham, Pauline Mulholland, Sean Irwin, Jimmy Mulligan, Susan Wall, Benedykt Chodzko-Zajko (sick child), Sarah Robertson, Mary King, Michael Bell, Eliza Lily Gill (sick child), Bernadette Kebell, Christine Taylor, Vincent Wallace, Freya Dowson (sick child), Marjorie Gray, Michael Chapman, Winifred Easton, Joan Keenan, Christopher & Clifford Brown.

LIST UPDATE – SICK & IN NEED OF PRAYER It is wonderful to offer prayers for those who need them, it is also important that the list is regularly updated and current. Please look at the list above and if any of the names need to be retained, please let the Presbytery Office know by email, telephone or an envelope put through the door. The list will be updated in two weeks time. Much appreciated. Fr Jeff.

RECENTLY DECEASED Please pray for Brian Jones who has died. May he rest in peace. **CONGRATUALATIONS** To Sophie Portia Bell who will be baptised this Sunday at Immaculate Heart of Mary church. May God bring to fulfilment the good work he has begun in her.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS...

ST MARY'S RED MISSION BOXES The Mission Boxes are now due to be emptied. Please could all money be paid in by Sunday 18th January.

<u>GIFT FOR LIFE GROUP</u> This group supports outreach projects from our parishes, locally, nationally and internationally. The next meeting is on Wednesday 21st January, 6.30pm in the presbytery, at Lobley Hill. Everyone is welcome to attend.

PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY WEEK & HOLOCAUST MEMEORIAL DAY

This year our parish prayer liturgy will take place for Christian Unity on Wednesday 28th January, 12.30pm in St Mary's Catholic Church. This will be followed by a light lunch in the Hall. The liturgy for the Holocaust Memorial Day will take place on Tuesday 27th, 6.00pm in St Mary the Virgin Anglican Church, Wickham. Please try to come along to either or both of these events. A planning group from our parishes has been preparing some powerful reflective liturgies, which would appeal to people of all ages. Families are especially invited to the Holocaust Memorial Service. The theme we have taken and explored are the many thousands of children who were killed during the holocaust – *they were born, they lived, they died, we must not forget them!* Fr Jeff.

ST HILDA'S RESOURCE CENTRE LIBRARY WILL OPEN ON 2nd FEBRUARY

We are looking for more people to join those who have already volunteered to form a Hospitality Group. If you can spare a morning or afternoon, or more, Monday to Friday, 9.00 – 4.00pm, a Saturday morning or a Friday from 4.00 – 6.00pm please let me know. I can be contacted on (0191) 243 3313 or pat.kennedy@diocesehn.org.uk Pat Kennedy. Manager.

GENERAL INFORMATION...

JOINT PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL (PPC) – NEW MEMBER NEEDED A vacancy has arisen for a new member to join the PPC representing the parish of St Mary's. If you would like to be considered, please let Fr Jeff know. The present St Mary's members are – Jen Jones, Phil Cunningham, Tony Sacco and Malcolm Shield (as the Chair of the joint Finance Committee).

ADVANCED FLOWER ARRANGING CLASSES at St. Thomas More School starting 19th January. Contact Theresa Costello on 0191 499 5040.

THANK YOU Veronica Hayes would like to thank everyone for their cards, flowers and good wishes during her illness.

ST MARY'S PARISH TEA ROTA Many thanks to everyone who is part of the rota for tea and coffee after Sunday Mass. Your efforts are very much appreciated. We are currently in need of a few more volunteers to shar the load. If you are able to get involved – or want to find out more, please speak with Sue Sacco – 4881082.

OZANAM CAMP HOLY ISLAND Volunteers are needed so that the SVP's 60 years work, of enabling children to experience a holiday, can continue. Dormitory helpers, kitchen staff and caretakers are needed. If you think you can help and would like information contact Mick Reynolds SVP Ozanam Camp- Blackfriars at The Ouseburn – New Bridge Street – Newcastle – NE1 2TQ or Tel. 078 058 22542.

MASS INTENTIONS Holy Mass can be celebrated for many reasons – the death of a loved one, for someone who is sick, an anniversary, a birthday or in thanksgiving for a favour received from God. Please write clearly your Intention for a Mass on an envelope with an offering inside together with the name of the church that you would like it celebrated. If you have a date in mind for the Holy Mass, please indicate this and every effort will be made to accommodate this request. Giving early notice as soon as possible would be a great help. **ITEMS FOR THE BULLETIN** If you would like a notice put in the bulletin, please have them in by Wednesday evening at the latest. Either email to <u>stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk</u> or post through the letterbox at Immaculate Heart Presbytery.