

St Robert of Newminster

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Sunday 19th December 2010 – 4th Sunday of Advent
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		Masses	Intentions
Sunday	19 th	9 00am 11 00am 7 00pm	Martin Cleghorn Margaret & Cecil Mulgrove Mike Kelly
Monday	20 th	9 15am	Bridie Haticken
Tuesday	21 st	9 15am	John Bullen
Wednesday	22 nd	9 15am	Mary Nicholson
Thursday	23 rd	9 15am	Shaun & Margaret Gorman
Friday	24 th	Christmas Eve 9 15am First Mass of Christmas 6 00pm 12 00 midnight	People of the Parish Bobby Turnbull People of the Parish
Saturday	25 th	10 00am 7 00pm	Mary Ellen & Frank Mclaughlin
Sunday	26 th	10 00am 7 00pm	Joseph & Elizabeth Docherty Nancy Hall

Confessions: Wednesday 22nd December - 6 00 -7 00pm; Thursday 23rd December - 6 30 – 7 30pm; Friday 24th December - 11 00am – 12 noon. **Morning Prayer:** Monday to Friday at 9 00am

CHRISTMAS MASSES

Christmas Eve (Friday 24th December)

Christmas Vigil Mass at 6 00pm with Children's Nativity

Christmas Day (Saturday 25th December)

Midnight Mass (at Midnight with Carols from 11.30pm)

Christmas Day Mass at 10 00am (Saturday 25th December)

Sunday 26th December (The Feast of the Holy Family) – Mass at 10 00am and 7 00pm

Readers, Eucharistic Ministers and Altar Servers please sign up at the back of church for Christmas Day and Boxing Day. The lists are on the table in the porch.

There will be a practice for servers half an hour before each Mass on Christmas Day and Vigil

Cake Stall and Christmas Pudding auction – After the 9.00am and 11.00am Masses this morning. Although sufficient funds have been raised for the bell fund the money raised this morning will now go towards the next big project – the narthex at the West Door.

Thank you – to those who supported the Guides Coffee Morning - £262 was raised for the Children's Hospice.

Holy Land Pilgrimage – a place for one person has become available. £970 half board. Saturday 26th February to Saturday 5th March. See Fr Lawrence as soon as possible.

Final Christmas Appeal for Refugees - Please take a standing order from the back of church if you possibly make a regular donation, however small, to feed the hungry in Newcastle.

Thank You

Fr Lawrence is glad to announce that we have reached our target for the Bell Restoration Fund. In fact we have also covered the additional expenses involved with supplying electricity to the bell tower. We also had to buy a new remote control after the original was stolen. The cost of this has also been covered. So, I want to say a very big thank you to everyone who has helped raise £4,000. It is a tremendous achievement. 1,075 books were sold for "Dickens of a Draw". As advised every penny raised by the sale of tickets will be paid to St Robert's. Therefore the magnificent total of £1,075 has been raised for the Bell Restoration Fund. This is included in the £4,000 overall total. The Morpeth Lions Club raised £5,200 for local charities. There were 32 prizes available of which 4 were won by ticket holders at St Robert's, one of which, ticket 31168 won one of the major prizes. All winners will be contacted.

The new bell mechanism will be blest at the end of the 9.15am Mass on Christmas Eve and will then ring for the three Christmas Masses (6pm Christmas Eve, Midnight and 10am Christmas Day) It will ring before the 10am and 7pm Mass on Boxing Day. Then, on Monday 27th December it will begin the automatic programme: the Angelus every day at 9.00am, 12 noon and 6.00pm. A five minute ring before each Mass on Sunday (9am, 10am and 7pm.) The remote control will be used to ring the bell during the consecration at Mass – at the elevation of the Sacred Host of Our Lord's Body and then at the elevation of the Chalice of Our Lord's Blood.

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		Masses	Intentions
Sunday	26 th	10 00 am 7 00pm	Joseph & Elizabeth Docherty Nancy Hall
Monday	27 th	<i>St John, Apostle and Evangelist</i>	
		10.00 am	Dec members of Carter Family
Tuesday	28 th	<i>The Holy Innocents</i>	
		10.00 am	Michael & Margaret McDonagh
Wednesday	29 th	<i>St Thomas Becket</i>	
		10.00 am	Kathleen Walsh
Thursday	30 th	10.00 am	Margaret W. Macdonald
Friday	31 st	10.00 am	George Beattie & Dec Family
Saturday	1 st January 2011	<i>Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God</i>	
		11. 00am	
Sunday	2 nd	9 00am 11 00am 7 00pm	Elsie Holland Dixon Family In Remembrance Mr S.E.I. Cole

Morning Prayer: Monday to Friday at 9.45am

The Rosary will be recited at 10. 40 am on New Year's Day

No Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament this week

SUNDAY 2nd January 2011 – EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Mass	9 00am	11 00 am	7 00 pm
Readers	G Harber, E Harber	M Anderson, J Ratcliffe	C Reardon, D Strachan
Eucharistic Ministers	A Beattie, A Wilson K Wilson	D Shearer, V Shearer R McAllister	B Cole, L Cole S Smith
Servers	E. Shuttleworth, A. Bambrick J & P Laux	D. Willis, a. Turnbull	C. Rich, B. Gosling