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Parish Priest
 Fr Lawrence Jones

Retired Priest in Residence
 Fr Jim Doherty



Sunday 22nd May 2011 - 5th Sunday of Easter

<u>Masses</u>		<u>Intentions</u>	
Sunday	22 nd	9:00am 11:00am 7:00pm	People of the Parish Dec members of the Davison Family
Monday	23 rd	9:15am	Dec members of Macy Family
Tuesday	24 th	9:15am	John Wright
Wednesday	25 th	The Venerable Bede 9:15am	Joseph McCole
Thursday	26 th	St Philip Neri 9:15am 7.00pm	Mary Common Traditional Latin Mass
Friday	27 th	St Augustine of Canterbury 9:15am	
Saturday	28 th	10:00am	
Sunday	29 th	6th Sunday of Easter 9:00am 11:00am 7:00pm	People of the Parish Eddie and Mildred Cosgrove
<u>Sunday 29th May 2011</u>			
<u>6th Sunday of Easter</u>			
Mass	9:00am	11:00am	7:00pm
Readers	M. Bell J. Offen	M. Anderson J. Ratcliffe	B. Cole L. Cole
Eucharistic Ministers	E. Harber G. Harber J. Laidlaw	E. Dixon G. Davison G. Davison	M. Illingworth J. Johnson A. Smith
Servers	A. Bambrick E. Shuttleworth J. Dowd E. Boyle	A. Turnbull D. Willis P. Glancey	P. Rule C. Rich, P. Smith

Confessions: No Confessions on Wednesday. Saturday 11.00pm to 12 noon

The Regina Caeli: Recited Monday to Friday at 9.00am.

Morning Prayer: Monday to Friday at 9 00am. **Rosary:** Saturday 9.40am.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from the end of Mass on Saturday until 12 noon.

TWO JUBILEES! – Envelopes are now available for you to make a personal gift to Fr Lawrence and Fr Jim (one Jubilee Fund). Please place your envelopes on the offertory plate. Cheques should be made payable to “St Robert’s Church”. The fund will remain open until Sunday 12th June. Fr Lawrence’s Silver Jubilee Celebration will be on Friday 17th June at 7.00pm. Fr Jim’s Diamond Jubilee is on Saturday 23rd July at 2.00pm. We have set up a social committee to plan celebrations for these two occasions. If you want to assist in any way or offer your expertise please ring Anne Beattie on 517273, Eileen House 518858 or Simon Conroy on 518666

Bible Reflection - A small group of parishioners meet to prepare for the next Sunday’s readings every Tuesday from 1.00pm to 2.00pm in the church hall. Everyone welcome.

The Parish Pastoral Council - is updating the list of main contacts for organisations within the church. Please check the list on the notice board at the back of the church and pass any revisions to the existing contact details to Lyn Cole on 518061. The list includes the following groups – Folk Choir, Traditional Choir, Children’s Liturgy, Playschool, Rainbow Guides, Brownie Guides, Girl Guides, Catholic Women’s League, Catenian Association, St. Vincent de Paul Society, Wednesday Bingo, Golf Society and Sunday Coffee Rota. Please let Lyn know if you are involved in any other church organisations not listed.

May Devotions - Rosary Prayer of the Mystery of Light – The Institution of the Eucharist - on Sunday 29th May, at 5:30pm, to celebrate the month of Our Lady, we will be holding a service of meditation on the fifth Mystery of Light – The Institution of the Eucharist. The rosary is a contemplative prayer and is an ideal way to encourage the spiritual life of the Parish.

Grotto Service - St Robert’s School warmly invites you to join them for the Grotto Service in honour of Our Lady at 2.30pm on Friday followed by refreshments and a Cake Stall.

Our Lady’s Statue and Rosary – 2pm on Friday in the presbytery. If you would like to host Our Lady and the Rosary please sign up at the back of church.

Catholic Women’s League - At our meeting on Monday 23 May at 7.00pm in the Hall Fr Lawrence will show us his slides from the Holy Land. Visitors welcome.

St Robert of Newminster Feast Day Celebrations - The annual walk to Newminster Abbey to celebrate St Robert’s Feast Day will be at 3:30pm on Sunday 5th June. Prior to the walk (at 3:15pm), local historian, George Thornton, will deliver an introductory talk and then participants will walk from St Robert’s (at 3.30pm) to Newminster Abbey where an Ecumenical Service of Evening Prayer will be held in the Abbey Grounds. Mr Thornton will then give some information about the site and give a short report on some very recent archaeological investigations that have been carried out. On our return to St Robert’s, Afternoon Tea will be served in the Church Hall. There will also be Mass on Tuesday 7th June at 7:00pm (the actual Feast Day) with a celebration afterwards in the church hall.

The New Translation of the Missal - From September 2011 we shall be using a new translation of the Mass in all the Catholic Churches of this country. This will mean changes both in the words that the priests say and in the responses of the people. The structure of the Mass will NOT change. We will have to learn some new tunes to sing the “Gloria” and “Holy Holy” because there will be some slight changes to the words. Some of the vocabulary in the Creed will be slightly different. But the format, what happens – will stay the same. The Lectionary (Scripture readings) will NOT be changing. In our lifetime we live through many changes. It can be very uncomfortable but we need to be open to the opportunities that these changes can provide. At the back of Church you will find copies of the main parts of the Mass – THE ORDER OF MASS (yellow sheet). **The colour booklet – “Understanding the Revised Mass Texts” costs £2. The black and white book – “Things both old and new” costs £1.**

“An Introduction to the new translation of the Mass” – A six week course from the people who brought us the *Great Adventure* and *St Matthew’s Gospel*. A fascinating and inspiring series that highlights the biblical foundations of the Mass. Starts on Thursday 9th June at 7.00pm in the parish hall. All welcome.

Diocesan Information Days about the new translation – Saturday 28th May at the Costello Centre, Alnwick Convent. 10.30am to 3.30pm. If you need a lift to Alnwick please let Fr Lawrence know. Then at St Joseph’s Gateshead on Saturday 25th June. 10.30am to 3.30pm. If you are going to Gateshead please sign up on the list and make a tick if you wish to travel by minibus.

Lift up your Hearts - a day led by Paul Inwood, composer of Church Music, of Portsmouth Diocese. Come and explore new music for the New Translation of the Mass at Saint Joseph’s Parish Centre, Gateshead 4th June 2011, 10.30am-4.00pm with celebration of a special festival Mass at 3.00pm. Fr Lawrence would like to encourage anyone involved in music in the parish to attend this important event. Sign up at the back of church and tick the box if you would like to go by minibus.

Wanted – New members for the choir to help prepare for Fr Lawrence’s Silver Jubilee and the singing of the *Missa de Angelis* – Wednesday evening at 7.00pm. You will be made very welcome.

Children’s Books – There is a wide selection of books in the box beneath the table at the back of church. Please feel free to borrow them.

Welcome Back Sunday - Next week Bishop Seamus writes to encourage us to be part of the Welcome Back Campaign which takes place on Pentecost Sunday 11th and 12th June. We will be asked to take an invitation card to someone we know who has drifted away from Church and encourage them to come to Mass with you on that day and take another look at the faith.