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**St Robert's is celebrating a year of the Eucharist
from Corpus Christi 2011 to Corpus Christi 2012**

Sunday 28th August 2011
22nd Sunday of the Year

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Sunday	28 th August	Mass 9 00am 11 00am 7 00pm	Intentions Richard Bliss Kenneth Hunter
Monday	29 th	Beheading of St John the Baptist 10. 00am	(No Intention received)
Tuesday	30 th	Saint's Margaret Clitherow, Anne Line & Margaret Ward 9 15am 3.30pm	CWL Reception of Veronica Young
Wednesday	31 st	10 00am	Requiem Mass for Veronica Young
Thursday	1 st September	9 15am	Diedre Cooper
Friday	2 nd	9 15am	(No Intention received)
Saturday	3 rd	St Gregory the Great 10 00am	(No Intention received)
Sunday	4 th	9 00am 11 00am 7 00pm	People of the Parish Sylvia Callaghan (No Intention received)
Sunday 4 th September 23rd Sunday of the Year			
Mass	9 00am	11 00am	7 00pm
Readers	M Bell, J Offen	D Shearer, V Shearer	T Edward, S Smith
Eucharistic Ministers	A Beattie, A Wilson K Wilson	E Dixon, G Davison B McGurk	B Cole, L Cole M Illingworth
Servers	J. Laux, B. Donaldson B. Donaldson, T. Boyle	A. Turnbull, D. Willis P. Glancey	C. Rich, B. Gosling D. Smith

Confessions: Wednesday 6 30 – 7 00pm. Saturday 11 00am to 12 noon

The Angelus: Monday to Friday at 9 00am.

Morning Prayer: Monday to Friday at 9 00am.

Rosary: Saturday 9 40am

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

**THE NEW TRANSLATION BEGINS NEXT WEEKEND. MISSALETTE LEAFLETS
WILL BE AVAILABLE. EVERYONE WILL NEED TO PICK ONE UP AS YOU
ENTER CHURCH**

Confirmation – those in year 10 upwards are eligible for Confirmation in November. Fr. Phil Quinn, the episcopal vicar, will celebrate the Sacrament on Thursday 10th November at 7 00pm. **The preparation course will begin on Thursday 22nd September at 7.00pm in the church hall and will continue each Thursday evening.** The last date for registration is Sunday 11th September. Please fill in the registration form at the back of church and put it in the box provided or deliver to the presbytery. Letters will be sent out this week. Also, those young people who took part in the last Confirmation are invited to help out this time. You are invited to a meeting on Thursday 15th September at 7.00pm in the presbytery. There will be a day out for the Confirmation group on Saturday 29th October.

Congratulations – to Matthew Brown and Rachel Mills who were married at St Robert's yesterday.

Date for diary – **A Parish Pilgrimage to the Holy Island of Lindisfarne – Saturday 17th September – £7 for adults, £3 for children, under 3 years free.** Coach will leave at 9 30am. Traditional crossing on the pilgrim's way for able bodied – starts on the mainland at about 10 30am. Coach to the island for invalids. Mass at 12 noon followed by a picnic. Coach leaves at 4 00pm. **Please see list at back of church – tick your name to confirm that you are coming. There are still places available – please sign up today. You can start paying from this weekend. Please use the box provided and tick name on sheet.**

Oliver Smith – is running in the Great North Run again this year. He is running for leukaemia and lymphoma research dressed in a banana costume!! In order to raise some money he is having a **cake stall after 9 and 11 Mass today.** If you would like to sponsor Oliver in the Run please sign the form at the back of Church. Your support would be appreciated. Thank you.

Asylum Seekers - Thank you for your recent gifts of food. A coach party of refugees from St Cuthbert's Kenton are coming for a day out to St Robert's hall on Saturday 3rd September from 11am to 4pm. There will be mothers and children and young footballers. If you are able to help entertain them you will be very welcome. 10 refugees from Common Ground will also be joining us. A few cakes or savoury pastries would be very welcome. Please leave in the church hall on Saturday morning. Help will be needed in the kitchen at lunchtime. Please ring Moira on 516452 if you want to help.

Home Rosary - at Alice Anderson's, 9 Hillside, on Wednesday at 2pm. Please consider taking the statue of Our Lady for a week and hosting the rosary in your house at a day and time of your choice. Please sign up at the back of Church.

Parish Gift Aid - The Gift Aid claim for St Robert's Parish for the tax year 2010-11 has now been made and £10,800 has been credited to the parish as a result. This is a very important part of our annual parish income. Many thanks to all those who participate in the Gift Aid scheme for helping to achieve such a good result. If any parishioners who pay income tax but are not yet in the scheme would like to join, please take a form from the folder on the notice board in the church porch and return it to Gerry Harber, Parish Gift Aid Organiser. All parishioners who were registered under the Gift Aid scheme for tax year 2010-11 and have offertory contributions recorded will receive a letter informing them of the total amount of their contributions under the scheme for that year. If you think that you are in the scheme but have not received a letter by the end of August please contact Gerry Harber (517829). Conversely, if you have received a letter but your circumstances have changed (e.g. no longer paying tax, change of address) please advise Gerry.

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Appeal for wool- If anyone has any spare wool that could be used to knit hats for the shoebox scheme could they please bring it to church and leave it in the porch.

Prisoner of Conscience letters - Outline cases and letter forms for writing in support of prisoners of conscience are on the table at the back of church. Can you help?

Christian Aid Street Collection - The Christian Aid annual Street Collection takes place on Saturday 17th September, from 9.00 a.m. until 3.00 p.m. Six collectors are needed to make up the St Robert's team: volunteers please put your name and telephone number against your selected hour on the list in the Church porch. On the day, collect your box from St Robert's Presbytery five minutes before your start time. Thank you for your support.