

St Robert of Newminster

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

Sunday 21st August 2011

21st Sunday of the Year

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Sunday	21st August	Mass 9 00am 11 00am 7 00pm	Intentions Sarah Ann Lockie Sylvia Callaghan People of the Parish
Monday	22 nd	Queenship of Mary 9 15am	Norah Keane
Tuesday	23 rd	9 15am	Joan Yellowley
Wednesday	24 th	St Bartholomew 9 15am	V.G.
Thursday	25 th	9 15am	Jim Anderson
Friday	26 th	Bl Dominic Barberi 9 15am	Ken Percival
Saturday	27 th	St Monica 10 00am	(No Intention received)
Sunday	28 th	1 00pm 9 00am 11 00am 7 00pm	Nuptial Mass Richard Bliss Kenneth Humble
Sunday 28 th August 22 nd Sunday of the Year			
Mass	9 00am	11 00am	7 00pm
Readers	V Gorman, D Marr	A Dawes, P Dawes	C Reardon, D Strachan
Eucharistic Ministers	A Donaldson, A Gorman T McLaughlin	Iv Brown, Is Brown S Conroy	K Brown, C Rich S Smith
Servers	J. laux, B. Donaldson D&A Johnson	A Turnbull D. Willis P. Glancey	B. Gosling L. Brett D. Smith

Confessions: Wednesday 6.30pm to 7.00pm. Saturday 11.00pm to 12 noon

The Angelus: Recited Monday to Friday at 9.00am.

Morning Prayer: Monday to Friday at 9: 00am.

Rosary: Saturday 9.40am.

No Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament this Saturday.

Confirmation – those in year 10 upwards are eligible for Confirmation in November. Fr. Phil Quinn, the episcopal vicar, will celebrate the Sacrament on Thursday (not Friday as previously stated) 10th November at 7 00pm. The preparation course will begin in September. Please fill in the registration form at the back of church and put it in the box provided or deliver to the presbytery.

A Parish Pilgrimage to the Holy Island of Lindisfarne – Saturday 17th September – £7.00 for adults, £3.00 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 next weekend.**

Prayer Board – please attach your prayer intentions to the prayer board at the back of church and they will be remembered in the Bidding Prayers at each weekday Mass. The board will be cleared at the end of each month.

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 morning masses on Sunday 28th August. Your support would be appreciated. Thankyou

CTS – New booklets and leaflets on the new Missal at the back of church – The New translation of the Mass begins in September. Fr Lawrence recommends the material at the back of church to help you prepare for the changes and familiarise yourself with the new text and what it means. There are also some books for children "My Little Missal" that you can borrow from the children's box of books beneath the table.

Home Rosary - This Monday at 2.00pm at the home of Angela Ridley. 18 Thornlea, Hepscoth. 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.

From April this year, the rate at which the Government credits Gift Aid on charitable donations has reduced from nearly 29% down to 25% reflecting the change in basic rate tax a few years ago. The amount received by the parish will therefore reduce by £1200 unless the amount of offertories is increased. The increase necessary to maintain parish income is 2.5% plus inflation.

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 about that.

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?

Destitute Asylum Seekers – Desperately needed – pull cans of fish, meat (not ham), tomatoes, rice oil, sugar, biscuits, tea, coffee and toiletries.

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.