

St Robert of Newminster

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28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 13th October 2013

Parish Priest: Fr Lawrence Jones
Retired Priest in residence: Fr Jim Doherty

**SECOND COLLECTION TODAY
FOR WORLD MISSION SUNDAY**

PLEASE PICK UP MISSALETTE

	<u>Masses</u>	<u>Intentions</u>
Sunday	13 th 9:00am 11:00am 7:00pm	Sarah Ann Lockie Elaine Swift
Monday	14 th 9:15am	Private Intention
Tuesday	15 th St Teresa of Avila 9:15am	Steve Garbutt Harvest Mass
Wednesday	16 th 9:15am	
Thursday	17 th St Ignatius of Antioch 9:15am	Margaret & Alexander Jaconelli
Friday	18 th St Luke 9:15am	Private Intention
Saturday	19 th St Paul of the Cross 10:00am	
Sunday	20 th 9:00am 11:00am 7:00pm	Alison Ford John & Roz Soulsby

Sunday 20th October 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass	9:00am	11:00am	7:00pm
Readers	A. Mitchell T. Walker	L. Flinders J Ratcliffe	C. Reardon T. Edwards
Eucharistic Ministers	T. McLaughlin A. Beattie A. Gorman	D. Shearer V. Shearer R. Soulsby	C. Rich A. Smith M. Illingworth
Altar Servers	A. Bambrick E. Shuttleworth	A. Bambrick	P Smith D. Dowd

Tea/Coffee after morning Masses every Sunday. Everyone is welcome.

Confessions – Confessions Wednesday 6.30pm to 7.00pm. Saturday - 11.00am – 12.00 noon

The Angelus - Monday to Friday - 9 00am. **Morning Prayer** - Monday to Friday - 9 00am.

Rosary - Saturday - 9 40am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - Thursday morning from end of Mass to 10.30am and Saturday from the end of Mass to 12 noon

Divine Mercy Devotions – Thursday 7.00pm in the presbytery. All welcome

Bible Sharing - Tuesday 1.00pm to 2.00pm in church hall. All welcome.

Wednesday Word – to help you prepare for the readings next Sunday. Pick up a sheet at the back of church.

Last Sunday's Offering – £1053.41. Many thanks.

Wansbeck Valley Food Bank – Please see the box in the porch for what's required.

Refugees and Asylum Seekers – Food needed – Tins of Fish, Beef, Tomatoes and Sweetcorn. Sugar, Coffee, Tea, Cooking Oil, Biscuits, Rice and Pasta.

World Mission Sunday – Today's second collection goes entirely to support the mission territories. You may wish to use the envelopes at the back of church.

Priests' Training Fund – second collection next Sunday.

Fundraising – Fr Lawrence and the Fundraising Committee are glad to announce that all of our current objectives associated with the refurbishment of the church have been achieved.

PLEASE SEE THE SEPARATE SHEET ABOUT THE ICON OF ST ROBERT AND THE STATUES.

Thanks – Many thanks to everyone who supported the cocktail and wine tasting evening. £481 was raised – a great achievement and a very enjoyable evening!

Fundraising Continued - 23rd November – Christmas Fayre - The time is rapidly approaching, thanks to everyone who has agreed to run a stall or do an activity. We had such a good response we have booked both up and downstairs in the Town Hall. We are planning to have a meeting on **Tuesday 15th October** (not Thursday as stated last week) at 7.00pm in the Presbytery to make arrangements for the Fayre and so we can let Parishioners know how they can help. We would be grateful if everyone running a stall could attend or send a representative or if you wish to help in any way please come along. Again, please see the separate sheet for what we are fundraising for.

Confirmations – Prayer sponsors please pick up a list from the porch that will tell you whom to pray for. Bishop Seamus will celebrate the Confirmation Mass on Thursday 28th November. The Confirmation course continues on Thursday evening at 7.00pm in the church hall. Please keep praying for the young people and the leaders of the course especially next weekend when the group are going on retreat. Please remember that all parishioners are very warmly invited to the Confirmation Mass on 28th November. This is a celebration for the whole parish.

“liquid” – An event for young people TODAY from 7.00pm to 9.00pm at the New Life Christian Centre, Dacre Street. This event is a social gathering for young people from all the Church's in Morpeth. There will be refreshments.

The Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady and Rosary – this week the rosary will be prayed at Ann Beattie's home on Wednesday at 2.00pm (51 Castle Close). We are looking for a parishioner to take the statue for week beginning Sunday 20th October. Please sign up in the porch. October is the month of the Holy Rosary.

The Journey in Faith – this Wednesday at 7.00pm in the presbytery. This is for anyone who wants to know more about the Catholic Faith. We begin with “Believe” - Reflections on the Creed - a six part DVD series exploring the treasures of our faith. Why not take some time to explore your faith and deepen your love and understanding of the Creed we profess? This is also an ideal course for those who are interested in becoming Catholic or who want to know more about the Catholic faith. Why not bring a friend or family member who is not a Catholic?

A Night on the Orient Express 8pm Saturday 19th October - Tickets now on sale £15pp for a four course meal as we journey on the Orient Express and sample the cuisine typical of the route...without leaving the school hall! Reservations via the Boyles, Wilsons or Father Lawrence after Masses. Proceeds for Church Restoration. Bring your own drinks. Proceeds for Icon and statue restoration.

Christian Aid Ceilidh - A Ceilidh is being held to raise funds for Christian Aid on Saturday 19th October 7.30 p.m. to 10.00 p.m. in St. George's Church Hall. Dancing to the St George's URC Band. Bar, raffle etc. Tickets £5 (adult) or £2.50 (child) from Gerry Harber (517829)

SVP - The SVP are now accepting bottles for the bottle stall at the Parish Christmas Fayre on 23rd November. Please leave at the presbytery or with any SVP member.

Prisoners of Conscience - Can you help a prisoner of conscience? Details of this month's appeal cases are at the back of church.

Christmas Gifts from Bethlehem – lots of lovely things from the School of Joy on sale in the church hall after Mass. All the items are made by children with learning difficulties. Please go to www.schoolofjoy.org for more information. Please support this much needed school in Bethlehem.

Morpeth Lions Dickens of a Draw – Over the last three years we have raised £2,500 for various projects. Please pick up books of raffle tickets in the porch. First prize is one week holiday (for up to 6 people) at one of 24 Parkdean locations. Second prize is a 2 night Mini-break for 2 people at Linden Hall Hotel. Plus many more exciting prizes. Just to remind you that there is no cost to St Robert's, each penny is retained by the parish. So the more you sell the more St Robert's get. The money raised will go to the icon of St Robert and the repainting of the statue of Christ the King and of Our Lady of Lourdes in the grotto (after the flood alleviation scheme is completed).

St Robert's History – in 1969 a booklet “A Short History of St Robert's Church” was published by Kathleen Stewart and the research was carried out by Norah Cassidy. We would like to bring that publication up to date. One person was kindly volunteered to be involved in this project but needs help. It would be very much appreciated if a further two or three parishioners would also come forward. If you are interested contact Harry Cone on 01670 511540.

Men of Faith for the 21st century – Fr Chris Thomas - Friday 22 – Sunday 24 November £114. A retreat exploring spirituality for men at Minsteracres. Fr. Chris Thomas, is director of the Irenaeus Project for Spirituality and Growth, and a member of the steering committee for Harvesters, which provides space and opportunities for men to reflect together. Fr Chris gave a very successful day for men earlier in the year to which some men from St Robert's attended. If you are interested in the retreat please see Fr Lawrence.

Music for Christmas – a meeting for all those interested – Christmas Masses and the possibility of a Christmas Carol Service for the entire parish and beyond – 7.00pm Mon 14th Oct in Presbytery.

CWL – Coach to Scarborough leaving at 9.30am on 18th October.

Holy Water – available from the container at the back of church.