

## St Robert of Newminster

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Parish Priest: Fr Lawrence Jones Retired Priest

in residence: Fr Jim Doherty

PLEASE PICK UP A MISSALETTE

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 20th October 2013

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT SUNDAY

for Priest's Training Fund

### Masses

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| <b>Sunday</b>    | <b>20th</b> | <b>9:00am</b><br><b>11:00am</b><br><b>7:00pm</b> |
| <b>Monday</b>    | <b>21st</b> | <b>9:15am</b>                                    |
| <b>Tuesday</b>   | <b>22nd</b> | <b>9:15am</b>                                    |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | <b>23rd</b> | <b>9:15am</b>                                    |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | <b>24th</b> | <b>9:15am</b>                                    |
| <b>Friday</b>    | <b>25th</b> | <b>9:15am</b>                                    |
| <b>Saturday</b>  | <b>26th</b> | <b>St's Chad &amp; Cedd</b><br><b>10:00am</b>    |
| <b>Sunday</b>    | <b>27th</b> | <b>9:00am</b><br><b>11:00am</b><br><b>7:00pm</b> |

### Intentions

Allison Ford  
John & Roz Soulsby

Harry & Margaret Bell

Private Intention

Douglas Cone

Moira Stothard  
Lillian & Ronald James Ellis

### Sunday 20th October

### 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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| <b>Mass</b>                  | 9:00am                                     | 11:00am                                   | 7:00pm                         |
| <b>Readers</b>               | D. Marr<br>J. Offen                        | P. Dawes<br>A. Dawes                      | J. Gill<br>G. Sutcliffe        |
| <b>Eucharistic Ministers</b> | A. Wilson<br>K. Wilson<br>T. Walker        | R. McAllister<br>V. Shearer<br>R. Soulsby | B. Cole<br>L. Cole<br>S. Smith |
| <b>Altar Servers</b>         | A. Bambrick<br>E. Boyle<br>E Walker-Barras | G. Davison<br>E Walker-Barras             | P. Smith<br>J. Dowd            |

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

**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** – £1,053.41 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

**Priests' Training Fund** – second collection next Sunday.(not this Sunday as previously advertised)

**Fundraising** – The focus for our fundraising at the moment is an Icon of St Robert for the church and the repainting of Christ the King and Our Lady of Lourdes. Please support our fundraising activities – Dickens of a Draw and the Christmas Fayre. Pick up a sheet at the back of church for a copy of what the icon will look like.

**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 28<sup>th</sup> 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 this weekend when the group are going on retreat. Please remember that all parishioners are very warmly invited to the Confirmation Mass on 28<sup>th</sup> November. This is a celebration for the whole parish.

**The Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady and Rosary** – this week the rosary will be prayed at Ben and Lyn Cole's house (45 Kingswell) on Thursday at 7.00pm. You are welcome to join them.

**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?

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

**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.

**Operation Christmas Child – The Shoebox Appeal**. – Yes, it's that time of year again! We are asking for your support to provide gifts for the otherwise forgotten children. Your completed shoeboxes can be left in the church porch from now until 3<sup>rd</sup> November. There will also be a box in the porch where you can place individual items to top-up the boxes. Please take a leaflet to see what you can put into the shoeboxes. Further information can be obtained from Elizabeth Dixon (516584) or Heather Smith (516433). Thank you in anticipation, for all your help and support.

**CWL** – Meeting on Monday 21st October at 7:00pm when the guest speaker will demonstrate with '**Silks and Satin**'. Members and friends are all very welcome. You might get some ideas for Christmas presents. Please bring items for the tombola. Another opportunity for gifts for Christmas will be at our **Coffee Morning on Saturday 26th October** in the Church Hall 10:00am until 12 noon. Once again everyone is welcome and the proceeds will go to our project 'St. Robert's Church'.

**Relics of St Anthony of Padua** - In order to mark the 750<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the discovery of the saint's remains by St. Bonaventure in 1263, the Relics of St. Anthony will be visiting St. Anthony of Padua Church in Newcastle this Monday. The Relics will be arriving from Aberdeen at 1pm on Monday, October 28, before moving onto Manchester. The visit of the Relic will begin with Veneration at 3pm, followed by Mass at 7pm with Bishop Seamus Cunningham as the chief celebrant and Veneration from 8pm to 10/11pm. A relic of St Anthony of Padua is deposited in the base of our new altar.

**SVP** - The SVP meeting will be held on TUESDAY THIS WEEK (22<sup>nd</sup> October) so that members can attend the 'Journey in Faith'.

**Trafalgar Day** - the annual toast to Admiral Lord Collingwood will take place at Collingwood House on Monday 21st October 2013, at 11.50am.

11:50 - Mayors Speech/Father Lawrence "Prayer for the Navy"

11:59 - Collingwood Society – "Toast to Collingwood"

12:00 - Bell Strikes 12:00 marking the first cannon shot of the Battle of Trafalgar

12:01 - Commander Wood (Royal Navy) "Toast to the Royal Navy"