

St Robert of Newminster

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SUNDAY 10th NOVEMBER – REMEMBRANCE DAY
PLEASE PICK UP A MISSALETTE FROM THE BACK OF CHURCH

		Mass	Intentions
Sunday	10 th	9 00am 11 00am 7 00pm	War Dead Peter Marshall People of the Parish
Monday	11 th	St Martin of Tours 9 15am	Dec membs of Black Family
Tuesday	12 th	St Josaphat 9 15am	November Dead List
Wednesday	13 th	9 15am	November Dead List
Thursday	14 th	9 15am	Mrs Linda Sibbald
Friday	15 th	9 15am	Eddie & Mildred Cosgrove
Saturday	16 th	10 00am	Peter Milne
Sunday	17 th	9 00am 11 00am 7 00pm	Pat Horrax Dec membs of Davison James & Isabel Johnson

SUNDAY 17th NOVEMBER – 33rd SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

	9 00am	11 00am	7 00pm
Readers	G Harber, E Harber	J Ratcliffe, L Flinders	D Strachan, C Reardon
Eucharistic Ministers	M Bell, D Shuttleworth A Donaldson	D Shearer, V Shearer G Davison	B Cole, L Cole S Smith
Altar Servers	Sarah Bambrick, Erin Boyle Oliver Bruce	Philip Glancey	Patrick Smith Danny Dowd

Children's liturgy – Leader: Amy Companion: Eileen

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

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

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

Bible Sharing – Tuesday 1 00pm to 2 00pm in the church hall. All welcome

Rosary - Saturday – 9 40am.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Thursday from the end of Mass until 10.30am and Saturday from the end of Mass until 12 noon. The period of adoration on Thursday will be offered for vocations and on Saturday for our young people.

Wednesday Word – to help you prepare for Mass next Sunday. Please pick up a copy in the porch.

Last Sunday's offering - £986.67. Many thanks.

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

Priests' Training Fund – This fund remains open until the end of November. You may wish to use the envelopes provided.

Confirmations – The Rite of Election will take place at the 7.00pm Mass today. There is an additional instructional session after the 7.00pm Mass today which will be filmed for the new Café (Catholic Faith Exploration) DVD series on the Sacraments (parental consent forms need to be handed in beforehand). Fr. Lawrence will supply pizzas and pop. Please pray for the 21 young people who will be Confirmed later in the month. They need your prayers! Please pick up a GREEN prayer sheet in the porch entitled "Pray for those preparing for Confirmation and for all our young people." Please try and pray this prayer every day. Bishop Seamus will be celebrating the Mass of Confirmation on Thursday 28th November at 7.00pm. This is a parish event and Fr Lawrence hopes that as many parishioners as possible will come and take part.

Journey in Faith - Wednesdays at 7 00pm in the presbytery – This is for anyone who wants to know more about the Catholic Faith. We are looking at '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?

Fundraising – The focus of 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.

Married Couples Wanted – Fr Lawrence is looking for married couples to help prepare young engaged couples for the Sacrament of Marriage. If you are interested please have a word with him. Deacon Peter Lavery (Diocesan Coordinator for Marriage and Family Life) will be here on Tuesday 19th November in the presbytery to explain what is involved. Fr Lawrence only asks you to listen to what he has to say and then make your mind up as to whether you want to be involved.

Cultural Activities – It has been suggested that we should have a small committee to help organise parish outings to various cultural activities – theatre, pantomimes, museums, historical sites etc. If you are interested please come to a meeting in the presbytery on Tuesday 12th November at 7 00pm.

SVP - The SVP are now accepting bottles for the bottle stall at the Parish Christmas Fayre on 23rd November.

Men of Faith for the 21st Century – Fr Chris Thomas – Friday 22nd – Sunday 24th November £114. A retreat exploring spirituality for men at Minsteraces. 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 which some men from St Robert's attended. If you are interested in the retreat please see Fr Lawrence.

Month of the Holy Souls – November Dead List – Please use brown envelopes at the back of church. These envelopes will be placed on the altar for the month of the Holy Souls and regular Masses will be offered for all those listed. Bring them back on Friday or next Sunday. An offering may be placed in the envelope.

Fr Michael Brown's Silver Jubilee – parishioners are invited to Mass at St Joseph's, Gateshead, on Saturday 16th November at 2 00pm with a buffet in the hall afterwards. You are also invited to a Solemn High Latin Mass on Tuesday 19th November at 7 00pm.

Family Synod Consultation - Pope Francis has called for an Extraordinary Synod of Bishops to take place at the Vatican in October 2014. It will discuss the "pastoral challenges of the family in the context of evangelization" and how best to re-propose the centrality of matrimony and the transmission of faith in the home within the proclamation of the Gospel in our contemporary society. A wide consultation is taking place and you are invited to participate. You can do this on line by going to <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/FamilySynod2014>. You can also make replies to Peter Lavery (Co-ordinator of Marriage and Family Life in our diocese) at laveryp@hotmail.com. If you are not on the internet you can make a response in writing. Please pick up a pack from the porch. It is quite large so please don't take it unless you actually intend to respond. We don't want to waste paper!

Dates for your diary – Young Adults Pilgrimage to the Holy Land (Aged 18 to 30) Saturday 25th October to Saturday 28th October 2014 (half term). A pilgrimage to the Holy Land open to all parishioners - Friday 20th February to Friday 23rd February 2015. Details to follow.

Liquid – 'I have a story' – an event for young people on Sunday 17th November 7 – 9pm at New Life Christian Centre, Dacre Street. This is a social event for young members of all the Churches in Morpeth. Pizza and refreshments provided.