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

SUNDAY 23rd November 2014

Christ the King



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Sunday	23 rd	9:00am		Evelyn Givens
		11:00am		Deceased members of Davison Family
		7:00pm		Tony Durkin
Monday	24 th	The Martyrs of Vie	tnam	•
		9:15am		Evelyn Givens
Tuesday	25 th	9:15am		Charles Macy
Wednesday	26 th	9:15am		Jack Marley
Thursday	27 th	9:15am		Tony Durkin (SVP)
Friday	28 th	9:15am		Thanksgiving to Our Lady
Saturday	29 th	10:00am		Private Intention
Sunday	30 th	9:00am		Paul McCole (PMc)
		11:00am		Leo Horrax
		7:00pm		People of the Parish
SUNDAY 30 th November 2014 – 1 st Sunday of Advent				
Mass		9:00am	11:00am	7:00pm
Readers		J. Barham	L. Flinders	C. Reardon
		M. Bell	B. Cudd	D. Strachan
Eucharistic	;	M. Dewer	V. Shearer	C. Rich
Ministers		D. Dewer	D. Shearer	L. Cole
		A. Donaldson	G. Davison	B. Cole
Altar		E. Boyle	A. Kinghorn	P. Smith
Servers		E. Walker-Barras		D. Dowd
Children's Liturgy: Leader:- Lisa Companion:- Sylvia				

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

Confessions: No Confessions on Wednesday. Saturday 11.00am to 12 noon.

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

Divine Mercy Devotions: Thursday 7 00pm in presbytery

Bible Sharing: Tuesday 1.00pm in church hall.

Rosary: Saturday 9 40am.

<u>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</u>: Thursday from the end of Mass until Benediction at 10.15am and Saturday from the end of Mass until 12 noon.

<u>Wednesday Word</u>: to help you prepare for Mass next Sunday. Please pick up a copy at the back of church.

Last Sunday's offering - £1,242.70. Many thanks.

Second Collection last week for Youth Ministry in the Diocese – £106.23. Many thanks. It is still possible to make a donation by using the white envelopes at the back of church. **Priests Training Fund** – closes next week. Please use pink envelopes at back of church.

<u>Sunday Evening Mass – Starting on Sunday 4th January 2015 the Sunday evening Mass</u> will be at 6.00pm.

<u>Second Collection for School of Joy in Bethlehem</u> - NEXT SUNDAY (Sunday 30th November). Fr Mamdouh Abusada, from Bethlehem, will be here to make this special advent appeal for children with learning difficulties in Bethlehem and surrounding Palestinian villages. <u>School of Joy Christmas Gifts</u> - We have new supplies of Christmas gifts made by the children at the school of joy which will be on sale on Sunday 30th November: after the 9am Mass, before and after the 11am Mass and before the 7pm Mass.

<u>The Royal Voluntary Service</u> - are looking for volunteers if you have some free time. We are looking specifically for help at our 1 o'clock club at Stobhill Grange Road Community Hall. If you have 2 hours spare once a month to help make tea and coffee, chat to people and make a difference please contact Pauline Chisholm 01670-517706.

<u>Children's Nativity 24th December 6pm Vigil Mass -</u> Could all children wishing to take part come to a practice on Monday 22nd December at 10.30am in church. We will just have one practice session/run through so we could be there for an hour!

Ordination to the Priesthood – Rev Peter Etterley, a former Anglican vicar, is to be ordained a priest for our Diocese. His Ordination Mass will take place on Wednesday 26 November 2014 at 7.00 pm at St Paul's, Alnwick. All welcome.

Gospel of St Mark Recital – Saturday 29th November at 7.00pm in church. Next Sunday is the first Sunday of Advent (30th November) when we begin the Year of St Mark. Rev Richard Ferguson will be here on the Saturday night to recite the entire Gospel of St Mark. It takes about two hours but there will be a break for refreshments. Richard always tries to do the recital entirely from memory but will have a text just in case. St Mark's Gospel is a fast-paced, directly written, gospel, so it's an exciting listen and comes alive in a new and dramatic way when heard as one piece. It a great way to start Advent.

<u>Advent Service:</u> The members of the CWL would like to invite parishioners to their Ecumenical Advent Service on Sunday 30th November at 2:00pm in the Church.

<u>Christmas Wine Tasting</u> - on Friday 28th November in the church hall to help you select appropriate wines for your Christmas celebrations. Tickets now on sale. £15 each.

<u>Finding New Life in the Holy Spirit</u> - continues on Wednesday evening at 7.00pm in the school hall. All welcome

<u>LIFE TEEN leaders needed:</u> At the start of 2015 St Roberts will be introducing this fun and exciting youth programme to the parish (see www.Lifeteen.com). If you'd like to be a leader or would like to know more please contact Father Lawrence or Andrew O'Neill on 07818236000. There will be a training weekend at the Youth Village in the new year. Leaders can be any age and have any level of experience - you just need to be a committed Catholic who is passionate about seeing our next generation develop in the faith.

Youth Group –Thursday 7.00pm in church hall.

<u>Fundraising Priorities</u> – The roof of the church and the sandstone walls are in need of restoration. The diocese has instructed us to seek funding from the Heritage Lottery Fund. An application is now being progressed. We all need to hope and pray that we are successful. Our priority for fundraising is therefore the parish hall which has a problem with damp and the kitchen is in need of refurbishment. The damp needs to be dealt with first and expert advice is being sort. We hope to get an idea of the cost soon. Please try and support our fundraising efforts (see below).

<u>Blessing of Cribs –</u> Please bring you crib figures to be blest this Friday at 3.30pm in the church. All welcome.

Morpeth Lions Dickens of a Draw - This year's monies will go towards our Parish Hall requirements. Please take a bundle of tickets and sell as many as you can. Please put money and stubs in an envelope and either put on collection plate at Mass or hand in to Fr Lawrence. Pilgrimage to the Holy Land - PLACES STILL AVAILABLE. Friday 20th to Friday 27th February 2015. Visiting Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Nazareth, Cana, the Dead Sea, the Sea of Galilee, Capernaum, the mount of the Transfiguration, the site of the multiplication of loaves and fishes, the mount of beatitudes and much more. £1,195 each (sharing a room). Single room supplement £270.00. Includes flights from Heathrow (but not transport to and from Heathrow), half board accommodation with dinner, bed and breakfast. Please pick up a brochure from the table in the porch.