

St Robert of Newminster

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Parish Priest: Fr Lawrence Jones

Retired Priest in residence: Fr Jim Doherty

SUNDAY 15th March 2015

4th Sunday of Lent

PLEASE PICK UP A MISSALETTE



<u>Masses</u>		<u>Intentions</u>	
Sunday	15th 9:00am 11:00am 6:00pm	Vocations George Armstrong Molly McKee Kathleen Lovell	
Monday	16th 9:15am		
Tuesday	17th St Patrick 11:00am	Requiem Mass for John Ions Des, George, Owen and John	
Wednesday	18th 9:15am		
Thursday	19th St Joseph 7:00pm	Private Intention	
Friday	20th St Cuthbert 9:15am	Private Intention (JC)	
Saturday	21st 10:00am	Mary Agnes McDonagh	
Sunday	22nd 9:00am 11:00am 6:00pm	Harry & Margaret Bell Julia and Antoni Sulek Fr Lawrence	
SUNDAY 22nd March 2015 – 5th Sunday of Lent			
Mass	9:00am	11:00am	6:00pm
Readers	E. Harber M. Bell	A. Dawes J. Ratcliffe	T. Edwards G. Sutcliffe
Eucharistic Ministers	J. Laidlaw S. Conroy P. Baker	M. Beaton V. Shearer D. Shearer	B. Cole M. Illingworth A. Smith
Altar Servers	E. Boyle E. Walker-Barras	A. Kinghorn	A. Bambrick O. Bruce
Tea/Coffee after morning Masses every Sunday. Everyone is welcome			

Fr Lawrence: Fr Lawrence has written a letter to Parishioners copies will be available at Mass today.

Confessions: Saturday 11.00am to 12 noon

Divine Mercy Devotions: -None this week. Next meeting 26th March at 7pm in the Church Hall.

Tuesday bible group:- Meetings suspended until after Easter.

Stations of the Cross –Saturday after Mass.

Last week's offerings - Standing Orders £218, Collection £1289.23

Parish Contacts:- contact lists have been posted at the back of Church and in the Church Hall.

Parish Newsletter – Until further notice please send newsletter items by Thursday at 4pm (by email please) to marian@marianbell.f2s.com.

Offertory boxes: - These are available to be collected today.

Mass intentions: a reminder that there are envelopes at the back of the Church in which to put intentions and money.

Mass for Mary Agnes McDonagh: - 10:00 Mass on 21st March in memory of Mary Agnes McDonagh. The family would like you to join them for refreshments at Riverside following the Mass.

Lepra Lenten Lunch: - On Saturday 21st March; coffees served from 10 am, lunches from 11 30 in aid of Lepra. Thank you.

Peter Smith's Kilimanjaro Trek: - A huge thank you to all that attended the Coffee Morning on Sat 7th March in aid of Peter's Trek to support Kilimanjaro Christian Medical Centre in Northern Tanzania. £420 was raised. Peter will be having another fundraising event on Tuesday 14th April - a Curry Night at Manzil's. More details & sale of tickets to follow.

Catholic Women's League: - Cake stall after 9am and 11am Masses on Sunday the 22nd March in aid of St Robert's restoration fund (project for 2015). Donations of cakes etc appreciated.

Coffee Morning on Saturday 28th March in the Church hall: - Anna Bambrick is holding a coffee morning to raise fund for her Guiding Venture. If anyone would like to help by donating items for the Tombola, there will be a box in the church porch on Sunday 15th March for any contributions. Thank you in anticipation.

Fundraising event - Saturday 11th April at 8pm- Venetian Masque dinner and Italian Veneto Cuisine, £15.00 pp. Tickets on sale after Masses today or can be reserved by contacting either Ken Wilson or Matt Boyle.

"Feel the Music": - Free Concert, University of Sheffield Gospel Choir, St Mary Magdalene Church, Mitford.

Life Teen Sunday 15th March – Liquid. Sunday 22 March – Training: Understanding Youth Culture today. Sunday 29th March Engagement.

General Election 2015: - The Bishops have written a joint Letter to all Catholics in England & Wales encouraging us to participate and vote in the election and offering some key issues and questions for reflection on where candidates stand. Copies are available today and can be obtained with other information, at this time, from the Bishops' Conference website www.catholicnews.org.uk. Please read the letter and encourage others to do the same.

Deanery Easter evangelisation project: This Easter, as an evangelisation initiative in our Deanery, small organza bags containing a number of items associated with the true meaning of Easter will be blessed - during our Easter Vigil/ Easter Day Masses and distributed to all mass-goers with encouragement not to keep the bags but to give them away to a friend, neighbour or family member, and in a gentle conversation explaining the bags were blessed during Mass and how the items inside the bags signify the hope of the Risen Jesus.

Volunteers are needed to assemble the bags. If you can help with this, please come along to the Parish Hall at St Aidan's RC Church, Station Road, Ashington, NE63 8AD starting at 12:30pm on Saturday 21st March 2015. Tea and coffee will be provided! All are welcome.

First Holy Communion Prayer Sponsors: - A list of children receiving the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist and their prayer sponsors is now on the noticeboard at the back of church. If any other parishioner would still like to pray for one of the children please add your name to the list displayed. Thank you for your support

Lenten Lunches: Lenten lunches - soup with a bun and cake - are served each Friday of Lent (except 6th March - Women's World Day of Prayer) in the parish hall. All proceeds go to CAFOD and the Government will double all money donated to CAFOD during Lent.

Volunteers are needed to make soup and/or cakes, and also to set out the hall and serve the lunches. Please put your name on the appropriate list on the bench at the back of church.

Prisoner of Conscience letters: - Could you take a few minutes to write a letter in support of a prisoner of conscience? Writing paper and information on the table in the church porch.

SVP: - The next meeting of the SVP will be on Wednesday 18th March.

Christian Aid Thanks: - Thanks to those who supported the Christian Aid Spring evening. There was an inspiring talk by Sarah Moon about Christian Aid's work in Ethiopia and the evening raised over £500, so thank you for your generosity. P.S. Loko now has her cow!

Women's World Day of Prayer: - Thanks to all who helped out at the WWDP last Friday. The singers and the tea providers who helped made it such a warm and special occasion.