

St Robert of Newminster

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Parish Priest: Fr Lawrence Jones

Retired Priest in residence: Fr Jim Doherty

SUNDAY 29th March 2015

Palm (Passion) Sunday

PLEASE PICK UP A MISSALETTE

	<u>Services</u>	<u>Intentions</u>
Sunday	29th 9:00am Mass 11:00am Mass 6:00pm Mass	Charles & Margery Bell Denise Storey Joseph Bell, Sarah & Walter Moscrop
Monday	30th 9:15am Mass	Joshua & Maria Hedley
Tuesday	31st 9:15am Mass	George Beattie
Wednesday	1st 9:15am Mass	Jim Anderson
Thursday	2nd Maundy Thursday 7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper with watching at the Altar of Repose until 9:30pm	Fr Lawrence
Friday	3rd Good Friday 10:00am Children's Stations 11:30 Procession of Witness 3pm Solemn Celebration of the Lord's Passion	
Saturday	4th Easter Vigil 7:00pm Easter Vigil and Solemn Mass of Easter	Fr Lawrence
Sunday	5th Easter Sunday 9:00am Easter Mass with renewal of Baptismal Promises 11:00am Easter Mass with renewal of Baptismal Promises NO 6PM MASS	Helen & Douglas Cone Fr Lawrence

SUNDAY 5th April 2015 – Easter Sunday

Volunteers (Eucharistic Ministers and Readers) for the Easter Services are needed.
Please sign the lists at the back of church.

Altar Servers :- As agreed

Children's Liturgy: School break

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

Holy Thursday: - 2nd April 11am –Solemn Chrism Mass, St Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle.

Good Friday: – The Morpeth Churches procession of witness starts at 11:30pm at St James' Church concluding with a short service in the Market Place.

Easter Week: - 10.00am Daily Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Tuesday, Wednesday & Maundy Thursday 11am to 12 noon
Good Friday 6pm to 7pm
Holy Saturday 11am to 12noon.

Stations of the Cross: - (For Children) Good Friday 10:30

Last week's offerings - Standing Orders £218, Collection £1238.30

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The Easter Church clean will take place on Tuesday 31st March after morning Mass; volunteers both new and familiar will be very welcome.

CWL Cake Stall: - Thank you to everyone who supported last weekend's CWL Cake Stall, £190 was raised for the Church Restoration Fund.

Day of prayer and voluntary fasting: - It's been suggested that the Parish has a day of prayer and voluntary fasting on 1st April) in support of Fr Lawrence. The idea is for everyone to say a word of prayer either every hour on the hour or every two hours depending on abilities and capacity. Please consider raising your voice in prayer for our Parish Priest.

Life Teen: - Sunday 29th March – Training: Relational Ministry – how it works. 5th and 12th April School Holidays.

Offertory boxes: please pick up your bow from the Church Porch. If you'd like a box please contact Elizabeth Dixon.

Peter Smith's Curry Night: - KCMC tickets are now available for a Curry Night at Manzil's, Morpeth on Tuesday 14th April at 7pm. Tickets £12 each available from Peter & Heather Smith (Tel: 516433) or after 6pm Masses. Thank you for your continuing support. Many thanks. – Peter.

Church Hall Restoration: - Renovation work has begun- damp proofing has been completed and the wall re-plastered. We hope to begin on the kitchen soon but we need your support to meet costs. Tickets are on sale for the Venetian Masque Dinner on April 11th after masses today. All proceeds go towards the renovation of the hall. Please support the event.

Evening event: Come and enjoy Bombadinga and solo artistes at The Charity Auction in the Riverside Social Club, Friday 17th April 2015 at 7pm. Tickets £5 at the door, (including refreshments), children free. All proceeds direct to JITEGEMEE School Building Project, Tanzania. The school is already more than half built:-Please help us to finish it. (Tickets also available at the church door today).

Diocesan Festival 2015:- The third Diocesan Festival will take place over the weekend of Saturday 20th – Sunday 21st June at the Emmaus Youth Village, Consett. The speakers include Fr Jim Clarke (Director of Spiritual Formation at St John's Seminary in Los Angeles), our own Father Jim O'Keefe and performing artists, *RISE Theatre* and Steve Murray, *More than Dance*, and much, much more. There are streams for children and young people, so there is something for everyone!! Booking forms are available at the back of church or can be downloaded from www.rcdhn.org.uk More information is available from the Diocesan website, email to festival@diocesehn.org.uk or contacting the Diocesan office on 0191 2433313.

Pope Francis' Five Finger Prayer: - Pope Francis has issued this idea for helping with prayer.

Using the fingers on your hand, start with the thumb and pray these intentions in this order:

- 1.) The thumb is closest finger to you. So start praying for those who are closest to you. They are the persons easiest to remember. To pray for our dear ones is a "Sweet Obligation."
- 2.) The next finger is the index. Pray for those who teach you, instruct you and heal you. They need the support and wisdom to show direction to others. Always keep them in your prayers.
- 3.) The following finger is the tallest. It reminds us of our leaders, the governors and those who have authority. They need God's guidance.
- 4.) The fourth finger is the ring finger. Even though it may surprise you, it is our weakest finger. It should remind us to pray for the weakest, the sick or those plagued by problems. They need your prayers.
- 5.) And finally we have our smallest finger, the smallest of all. Your smallest finger should remind you to pray for yourself. When you are done praying for the other four groups, you will be able to see your own needs but in the proper perspective, and also you will be able to pray for your own needs in a better way.

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