

St Robert of Newminster

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Please keep Father Lawrence in your prayers. May he rest in peace

Retired Priest in Residence: Fr. Jim Doherty

SUNDAY 10th MAY 2015 – SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

PLEASE PICK UP A MISSALETTE

| | | Mass | Intentions |
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| Sunday | 10 th | 9 00am 11 00am 6 00pm | Evelyn Givens Stan & Nancy Ions Ludek & Mary Lake |
| Monday | 11 th | 9 15am | Bobby Turnbull |
| Tuesday | 12 th | 9 15am | Private Intention (J D) |
| Wednesday | 13 th | Our Lady of Fatima 9 15am | Nicola Delaney |
| Thursday | 14 th | St Matthias, Apostle 9 15am | Dick Gee |
| Friday | 15 th | 9 15am | Cathy Walker |
| Saturday | 16 th | 10 00am | Private Intention (J D) |
| Sunday | 17 th | 9 00am 11 00am 6 00pm | Mary McGurk Chris Joseph Fr Lawrence (V S) |

SUNDAY 17th MAY 2015 – THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

| | 9 00am | 11 00am | 6 00pm |
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| Readers | M Bell N McCole | J Ratcliffe R Hunt | S Smith L Cole |
| Eucharistic Ministers | A Donaldson A Gorman T McLaughlin | C Smith M Beaton R Soulsby | A Smith B Cole M Illingworth |
| Altar Servers | E Boyle O Bruce | P Glancey | A Bambrick J or D Dowd |
| Children's Liturgy - Leader, Lisa | Helper, Jane | | |
| Tea and coffee in the Church hall after Sunday morning masses – all welcome | | | |

We would like to thank you all for making what has been a difficult time in our lives a much easier burden to bear.

Your support to our family has been more than we could have hoped for.

The arrangements for the two requiem masses made these wonderful and memorable occasions and the number of people who joined us for the burial service in the rain was a great comfort.

We would also like to thank everyone who contributed to the catering at the Riverside.

So many people came back to the reception but there was food for everyone with some left over. We are sure that Lawrence would have been proud of the way the parish came together to make it all happen.

We will have many memories from our time in Morpeth but especially the respect and love for Lawrence that was so apparent.

Thank you all for your help and support given to us in so many ways over the last couple of months and God bless.

The Jones Family

Memories of Father Lawrence: Father Lawrence's family has asked that we write down our memories of him. There are blue half-sheets of paper at the back of church for you to use for this. When you have completed them, please place them in the blue box at the back of church. Thank you.

Messages of condolence from some of Father Lawrence's friends in the Holy Land –
“With great sadness I received your news for the death of Father Lawrence. God Bless his Soul. I will keep praying for his soul as long as I am alive. I wish that I have a visa to come to his funeral, to have a last look at him, and pray on his body.”

Fraternally yours in Christ. Father Mamdouh AbuSada, Director School of Joy Bethlehem.

“I have no words to express my feelings. My deepest condolences and we will keep our dear friend Father Lawrence in our prayers. May God Bless His Soul.”

Habib and George Khoury. Shepherds Tours (who have always been in charge of the pilgrimages Father Lawrence has run to the Holy Land).

Sacrament of Reconciliation – Saturday 11 00 am – 12 noon

Divine Mercy Devotions - Thursday 7 00 pm in church hall.

Wednesday Word -To help you prepare for Mass next Sunday. Please pick up a copy.

Bible sharing –Tuesday 1 00pm – 2 00pm in the church hall.

Prayer Group – Next date will be 27th May at 6pm in the Church.

Last Sunday's offering: Average weekly Standing Orders £380.

Offertory Collection £1151.58. Thank you.

SVP – The collection outside church **TODAY** (10th May) will be allocated to support of the various arms of Youth SVP, in lieu of holding a coffee morning for that purpose.

The next meeting of the SVP will be on Wednesday 20th May in the presbytery.

Special Collection next SUNDAY – for World Communication Day. This collection qualifies for Gift Aid through our Diocese so please use the special envelope in your box or make sure your donation is identifiable to you and is clearly for this purpose.

This is Christian Aid Week! – Please attend the Ecumenical service in the Methodist Church at 4 pm **TODAY** to pray for the success of Christian Aid week and for those in need who it helps. Please be generous when your collector calls for your envelope.

Collectors – please read your collectors booklet carefully, sign and wear your badge and certificate and only collect during this week (10-16th May). Please put all envelopes into your red cloth bag and return it either to the presbytery or to Gerry Harber (tel. 517829). Thank you!

Life Teen – 10th May Training - How to Lead a Small Group. **17th May** – Liquid

Deanery Evangelisation Meeting: - There will be Deanery in St Aidan's Parish Hall, Ashington meeting to plan for the future on 16th May 12:30 – all welcome.

CWL – The League will be holding their Annual General Meeting on Monday 11th May starting with a World Union of Catholic Women's Organizations service at 7.00pm in the church hall. **There will not be Holy Mass.**

Sponsored Seven Bridges Walk – This will take place on Sunday 7th June – St Robert's Feast Day and we will walk from the bridge at Gas House Lane (Low Stanners) to the bridge on Mitford Road (Low Ford Bridge). The walk is suitable for the whole family, so why not sign up, and take a sponsor form from the back of church today. All the money raised to go to the St Robert's Restoration Fund. We will need 10 Marshalls for the event, so if you are willing to help in this role please contact Barbara McCole on 518502 or Elizabeth Dixon on 516584.

Parish newsletter – Until further notice please send newsletter items by Thursday 400pm (preferably by email please) to Mary Beaton at fmbeaton@btinternet.com or telephone – 01670 519215.