

St Robert of Newminster

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Please keep Fr Lawrence in your prayers
May he rest in peace

Retired priest in residence – Fr Jim Doherty

Parish safeguarding – A Dawes

PLEASE PICK UP A MISSALETTE

SUNDAY 2ND AUGUST 2015

18TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (B)

Forward Together in Hope Prayer

Glory be to the Father -

In whom we live and move and have our being

Glory be to the Son -

Whose name we bear

and who calls each of us to be his disciples
to build his Kingdom and to go out into the
world and bear its fruit.

Glory be to the Holy Spirit –

Pouring out grace and guidance, forming us
and renewing us.

Inspire us all in the

Diocese of Hexham & Newcastle

to live the Gospel, to be open to change and to
move forward together in hope.

		Masses	Intentions
Sunday	2 nd	9 00am 11 00am 6 00pm	Helen & Douglas Cone Fr Lawrence (Catenians)
Monday	3 rd	9 15am	
Tuesday	4 th	St John Vianney 9 15am	
Wednesday	5 th	9 15am	N Barrow
Thursday	6 th	Transfiguration of The Lord 9 15am	
Friday	7 th	9 15am	
Saturday	8 th	10 00am	
Sunday	9 th	9 00am 11 00am 6 00pm	Isabel Walker

SUNDAY 9TH AUGUST 2015 – 19TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (B)

Mass	9 00am	11 00am	6 00pm
Readers	A Mitchell T. Walker	J Ratcliffe, L. Flinders	J Gill D. Oldroyd
Eucharistic Ministers	A Gorman S Conroy K. Wilson	G Davison R Soulsby A. Dawes	M Illingworth S Smith A. Smith
Altar Servers	M Laux	A Kinghorn	P Smith J or D Dowd

Children's Liturgy – School Holidays

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

Confessions: Saturday 11.00am to 12 noon

Wednesday Word: - to help you prepare for Mass next Sunday. Please pick up a copy from the back of Church.

Prayer Group: Wednesday August 26th at 6:30pm in the Church.

Last Sunday's Offering: - Average Standing Orders £467. Collection £1149.81. **Special Collection for Day for Life:** - £ 521.50. Thank you

SVP: - The next meeting of the SVP will be on Wednesday 2nd September at 7.30pm in the presbytery.

Morpeth & Bedlington Twinned Parishes: - Fr Ian Hoskins (our Dean) and Fr Stephen Watson (our Episcopal Vicar) will explain the consequences of this twinning after a 6 pm Mass on Thursday 3rd September. We hope for a good attendance.

There will be no morning Mass on 3rd September.

Forward together in Hope – SUNDAY 16TH August – Fr Jim O’Keefe and Michael Quincey, a member of the team taking this forward in the Parish, will speak at all Masses on “Forward in Hope”.

Forward Together in Hope – Update: - Fr Lawrence asked Marian Bell to be the Parish Lay Representative and try to oversee the actions needed to respond to the Diocesan initiative. She is now being assisted by a small group of volunteers, Michael Quincey, Chris Smith, Philip Tallon and Stevie Matthews. It would be unfair to land our new priest with all the work to be completed on his arrival, we we’ve begun a step by step process of eliciting the news of the parish via the various groups operating within St Robert’s. The purpose is to present Fr Peter with the bulk of the considerate work done so he can proceed with the next part of the exercise as he wishes. It is equally important that individual parishioners have the opportunity to respond too and that part will begin in mid-August in opening meetings, with guidance on what’s needed, over a three week period.

Life Teen Update:- - There will be a promotional talk will after the masses on the 6th September and we will hand out flyers and invite people on the weekends of the 6th September and 13th September to the combined launch and parents night on 20th September.

We will provide a Life Teen FAQ sheet soon, personalised letters inviting all the youth in the Parish and surrounding youth groups will be sent out in the near future and our banner has been approved will be put up on the church fence.

Campaign for Peter’s Hearing Aids – “Jenni and I completed the 14 mile run from Beadnell Bay to Alnmouth on Sunday 19th July. We have raised £1,000 for Peter’s hearing aids, thank you all so much for your support. I will be at 9am and 11am masses on **Sunday 9th August** to collect money or you can contact me on 01670 518618. Thank you again for your generosity and please keep Peter in your prayers that when he gets his hearing aid they will make a life changing difference to him and he is able to communicate, get work and live an independent life. Thank you”. Andrea Mitchell.

Peter Smith’s Kilimanjaro Trek: - “Many thanks to everyone who supported my Coffee morning/cake stall. A total of £331 was made which will go directly towards the Burns Project at KCMC, Tanzania. I will be holding an African themed meal evening on **Saturday 5th September in the Church Hall.** This will be my last fundraising event for the charity before my trek starts in late September.” Peter Smith. Tickets on sale soon or contact Peter Smith on 516433.

New Altar Servers: - We will begin training in September for any individuals who would like to be an altar server for Sunday masses.

If you are interested please contact Amy Boyle amy@teamboyle.co.uk or phone 01670 518253. It is a great way to help our Priests and be closer to Jesus in the miracle of the Mass.

Please encourage anyone who has made their First Holy Communion to be a part of this important ministry.

Assisted Suicide – Message from Bishop Seamus Cunningham: - On Friday 11th September the House of Commons will debate and vote on a Bill to legalise assisted suicide. This puts the most vulnerable people in our society at risk. Please consider contacting your MP, urging them to attend the debate and vote against the Bill. You can send an e-mail to your MP via the Catholic Bishops’ Conference website (www.catholicnews.or.uk/assisted-suicide) or send a letter by post, (a suggested draft can be found at the back of Church).

The Hartlepool Male Voice Choir Concert: - The choir will perform at St Aidan’s RC Church, Ashington on Saturday 26 September at 7 00pm. Tickets are £5 each. All proceeds to the work of Sister Elizabeth in Cebu, Philippines. Contact Veronica Rhodes for tickets. Tel: 01670 631228.

Parish newsletter: - items for newsletter to Mary at fmbeaton@btinternet.com by 4pm Thursday, preferably by email or telephone 01670 519215.