

## St Robert of Newminster

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*St Robert's is celebrating a Year of the Eucharist  
from Corpus Christi 2011 to Corpus Christi 2012*

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2011 – Third Sunday of Advent  
PLEASE PICK UP A MISSALETTE FROM THE BACK OF CHURCH

		<b>Mass</b>	<b>Intentions</b>
Sunday	11 <sup>th</sup>	9 00am 11 00am 7 00pm	Mary Ellen & Frank McLoughlin Kevin O'Malley Peter Milne
Monday	12 <sup>th</sup>	Our Lady of Guadeloupe 9 15am	Shaun & Margaret Gorham
Tuesday	13 <sup>th</sup>	St Lucy 9 15am	Dec Membs of Grey & Dodds Family
Wednesday	14 <sup>th</sup>	9 15am	Declan Kane
Thursday	15 <sup>th</sup>	9 15am	Magaret Carney
Friday	16 <sup>th</sup>	<b>10.00am</b> <b>2.00pm</b>	<b>Requiem Mass for George Carter</b> Eileen O'Connor <b>End of term Mass for school.</b>
Saturday	17 <sup>th</sup>	10 00am	Housebound members of CWL.
Sunday	18 <sup>th</sup>	9 00am 11 00am 7 00pm	Anderson Family Marian Gorham Peter Milne

### Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> December Fourth Sunday of Advent

	<b>9 00am</b>	<b>11 00am</b>	<b>7 00pm</b>
<b>Mass Readers</b>	G Harber E Harber	D Shearer, V Shearer	L Cole, B Cole
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	A Donaldson, A Beattie T McLaughlin	P Dawes, A Dawes G Davison	S Smith, A Smith M Illingworth
<b>Servers</b>	M. & J.Laux D&H Johnson	P. Glancey, A Turnbull D. Willis	D. Smith, L. Brett P. Rule

**Readers, Eucharistic Ministers and Servers** please sign up for Christmas on the list on the table at the back of Church

**Confessions:** Wednesday 6 30 – 7 00pm. Saturday 11 00am to 12 noon

**The Angelus:** Monday to Friday at 9 00am.

**Morning Prayer:** Monday to Friday at 9 00am.

**Rosary:** Saturday 9 40am

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** – Saturday from after Mass until 12 noon

**Morpeth Lions Dickens of a Draw** – Money raised will go towards repairs and refurbishment of the sacristy. It's not too late – bring your money and stubs next weekend and put them on the plate.

**Meeting with Sr Michael** – if you went to the meeting at Ashington you are invited to take the suggestions forward by coming to a very short meeting this Monday after Mass in the presbytery.

**Senior Parishioners Social** - The annual social for Senior Parishioners will be held in the parish hall on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2012, 3p.m. to 6 p.m. There will be a buffet and drinks provided and musical entertainment. Also a free raffle. Please put your name on the list in the porch if you would like to attend, and please indicate if you would like transport.

**Children's Nativity at the 6.00pm Christmas Eve Vigil** – we need small children to act out the story and bigger children to read and play the recorder. If they would like to take part, they need to stay behind at 9 00am Mass today.

**Lepra** – Many thanks to all who supported the recent Coffee Morning. £420.00 was made plus £200 private donations in lieu of Christmas cards. .

**Prisoners of Conscience** - The details for this month's prisoners of conscience are on the table at the back of church, with air mail letter forms for you to use. Can you spare a little time to help these unjustly imprisoned people?

**Coffee Morning** - Anna Bambrick is holding a coffee morning on 17th December from 10 to 12 in aid of her Baden-Powel adventure.

**Advent Alms** – Are you looking for a charity to support this Christmas? Fr Lawrence suggests two: First, our own Diocesan charity – St Cuthbert's Care. Pick up the leaflet at the back of church and read about Side by Side, the charity's new respite care provision. Secondly, the Jitegemee School Building Project in Tanzania. Please pick up a leaflet at the back of church. If you wish to make a donation to these charities please put it in an envelope clearly marked with the name of the charity and put it on the collection plate on Sunday or post through the presbytery door.

**Confessions** – After Mass TODAY and next week and at usual times.

Every Saturday 11am to 12noon. More times to be announced next week.

Penitential Services with individual confession – St Aidan's, Ashington 4pm TODAY (Sunday 11th December). St Paul's, Cramlington at 7.00pm on Tuesday 13th December. St Bede's Bedlington at 4.00pm on Sunday 18th December. St Wilfred's, Blyth at 7.00pm on Tuesday 20th December. Also, Bishop Seamus Cunningham will preside at a Penitential Service at 12.00 noon on Saturday 17th December at St Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle, followed by the opportunity for Individual Confessions throughout the afternoon (with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament) until Benediction at 5.00 pm

**Paper Mache Crip** – Fr Lawrence needs some help with this. If you are good at arts and crafts please have a word with him.

**Christmas at St Robert's 2011** – Please note the times of Masses for Christmas:

Christmas Vigil Mass at 6.00pm (Christmas Eve) with Children's Nativity

Midnight Mass at Midnight will Carols from 11.30pm

Christmas Day Mass at 10.00am (No 9.00am or 11.00am Mass)

On New Year's Day Masses are as usual – 9.00am, 11.00am and 7.00pm.

Parish Epiphany Celebration on the Twelfth Night (The Last Night of the Cribs)

Friday 6th January in the church hall and Collingwood House (the Presbytery).

Children and families from 6pm to 8pm. All and sundry after 8.00pm



