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

Sunday 8th April 2012 Easter Sunday
PLEASE PICK UP MISSALETTE FROM THE BACK OF CHURCH



<u>Masses</u>		<u>Intentions</u>	
Saturday	7 th Easter Vigil	John Bullen	
Sunday	8 th 9:00am	Jacob Conroy (70 th birthday)	
	11:00am	George Popely	
Monday	9 th 10:00am	Denise Hunter and Family	
Tuesday	10 th 10:00am		
Wednesday	11 th 10:00am		
Thursday	12 th 10:00am	Leo Horrax	
Friday	13 th 10:00am	Bobby Turnbull	
Saturday	14 th 10:00am	Dec Storey Family	
Sunday	15 th 2 nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)	(Divine Mercy Sunday)	
	9:00am	Carter Family	
	11:00am	PC D Rathband	
	7:00pm	Margaret & Harry Bell	

<u>Sunday 15th April 2012 2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)</u>			
Mass	9:00am	11:00am	7:00pm
Readers	M. Bell E. Harber	J. Ratcliffe M. Anderson	G. Sutcliffe T. Edwards
Eucharistic Ministers	D. Shuttleworth M. Dewar D. Dewar	B. McGurk C. Smith M. Beaton	K. Brown C. Rich B. Cole
Altar Servers	J. Laux M. Laux B. Donaldson D. Johnson	A. Turnbull D. Willis P. Glancey	D. Smith P. Smith C. Rich

“Do not abandon yourselves to despair. We are the Easter people and Alleluia is our song.”

Pope John Paul II

Collection Last Sunday - £1,031.15. Collection for the Holy Places - £450.26. Many thanks.

Second collection next Sunday for sick and retired priests.

Thank You – Once again it has been a wonderful Holy Week here at St Robert's. It is a great credit to this parish that we were able to celebrate the most important Liturgies of the Church's year in such a prayerful and dignified manner. Many people need thanking and I'm sorry if I miss anyone out. So, first of all I want to say a very big thank you to everyone who has helped in any way to make the Holy Week Liturgies go so well. A lot of work goes into the preparation as well as the actual celebration of the Liturgies. A lot of people are involved – flower arrangers, sacristans, cleaners, readers, those who play and arrange music, the choir and cantors, the folk group, the CWL for arranging the refreshments at the March of Witness on Good Friday, the SVP for transporting tables, musicians, organists, those who clean the brass, candle trimmers, those men who had their feet washed, collectors, the lighter of the Easter fire, the ladies who wash and take care of the linen, the family arranging the refreshments for the party after the Easter Vigil, Eucharistic ministers, altar servers, the palm makers, the parish secretary, the lady who collected the Holy Oils from the Cathedral, the painter of the picture of the risen Christ on the sanctuary, the leaders of the Children's Liturgy, the lady who made the sanctuary screen for the Easter Vigil, the staff and children of St Robert's School, ushers, the lay who made the little Easter garden, the people who help out with the offertory procession and all the people doing odd jobs behind the scenes. You have all contributed to the worthy celebration of the Holy Week Liturgies. Thanks also to everyone who participated in the Liturgies. You all enhanced the Liturgy by your singing, responses and prayerfulness. There was a great spirit of prayer and reverence. It was a particular joy this year to receive 5 new members into the Catholic Church and the parish family. So a very warm welcome and congratulations to Ellen Young, Deirdre Cooper, Clive Rich, Alice Wallace and Jade Carmichael. This is truly what Easter is all about! I want to thank those who have accompanied them on their journey of faith during these last 6 months. Thank you – each and every one of you who have participated in the Holy Week Liturgies – your contribution is very much appreciated. Finally, a big thank you to Fr Jim for all his help and support this week, especially for preaching on Holy Thursday. On behalf of Fr Jim and myself, I wish you all a very joyful Easter. Christos Anesti! Alithos Anesti!. Christ is Risen! – He is Risen indeed!

Fr. Lawrence Jones.

Source Weekend - Event for young people aged year 9 upwards at the Youth Village from 20-22 April - Friday evening to Sunday lunchtime. See flyer at back of church. We will need a parent or two to help. **PLEASE SIGN UP TODAY AT THE BACK OF CHURCH.** £30 for full board.

Social Evening for Young Adults aged 17 plus – after the success of our previous two get togethers last summer and at Christmas Fr Lawrence and Fr Jim warmly invite you to the presbytery on Monday 16th April from 7.00pm.

Thank you – to everyone who supported the recent Coffee morning for children with cancer. The generous donation of £355 was raised.

Divine Mercy Devotion – Jesus said to St Faustina: "Call upon My Mercy on behalf of sinners; I desire their salvation. When you say this prayer, with a contrite heart and with faith on behalf of some sinner, I will give that person the grace of conversion". A prayer group meeting will be held at 7.00pm on Thursday 19th April in the church hall. Everyone is welcome to come and find out more about and pray this important devotion to which Jesus attached amazing promises.

Incense – a milder incense is now being used to help those who find it uncomfortable.

The Northern Cross – on sale at back of church. This month it contains an article about the recent Young Adults Pilgrimage to the Holy Land. The front page shows a picture of Jade Carmichael, from Mitford, being baptised in the River Jordan by Bishop Seamus. Jade together with 4 other adults received the Sacrament of Confirmation at the Easter Vigil and became full members of the Catholic Church. Also, the Northern Cross gives a report of the recent Youth Flame Congress at Wembley arena which was attended by 4 young people from St Robert's.

CWL - 50th Anniversary. The members of St Robert's CWL will be celebrating their 50th anniversary on 14th May 2012 and they would like to invite ex members to join them for a meal to celebrate this special occasion. For further details please contact Joan Oliver 510125 or Elizabeth Dixon 516584 as soon as possible.

Northumberland County Scouts Crimea Explorer Belt 2012. - Chris Rich, Daniel Smith and Andrew Scott are now collecting any electrical cables for recycling. Please put donations in the box provided.