

St Robert of Newminster

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SUNDAY 26th AUGUST 2012 – 21st SUNDAY OF THE YEAR
PLEASE PICK UP A MISSALETTE FROM THE BACK OF CHURCH

		Mass	Intentions
Sunday	26 th	9 00am 11 00am 7 00pm	People of the Parish
Monday	27 th	St Monica 10.00am St Augustine of Hippo	Sarah and Patrick O'Connell
Tuesday	28 th	9 15am	
Wednesday	29 th	Beheading of St John the Baptist 9 15am	
Thursday	30 th	Sts Margaret Clitheroe, Anne Line Margaret Ward, Martyrs 9 15am	
Friday	31 st	St Aidan and Saints of Lindisfarne 9 15am	
Saturday	1 st September	10 00am	
Sunday	2 nd	9 00am 11 00am 7 00pm	People of the Parish

SUNDAY 2nd SEPTEMBER – 22nd SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

	9 00am	11 00am	7 00pm
Mass Readers	D Marr, T Walker	D Shearer, V Shearer	D Strachan, C Reardon
Eucharistic Ministers	P Baker, J Laidlaw M Bell	C Smith, M Beaton R Soulsby	B Cole, L Cole M Illingworth

N.B. All Weekday Masses will be celebrated in the church hall.

Confessions: In the presbytery – use the entrance on the school side of the house.

Saturday 11.00am – 12.00pm. No Confessions on Wednesday.

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: On Thursday morning in the presbytery from the end of Mass until 10.30am.

Divine Mercy Devotions: on Thursday 30th August at 7pm in the church hall.

PLEASE PICK UP THE EXTRA SHEET FOR VENUES FOR THE PROVISION OF MASS

Masses next Sunday – 9am and 7pm at St George’s, 11.00am at St Robert’s School hall.

Newspapers and periodicals are available from St Robert’s church hall at any time during the week.

Holy Island Pilgrimage – SAVE THE DATE! SATURDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER 2012. Please see separate sheet – fill it in and hand to Fr Lawrence or Alice Butler.

SVP Meeting – The next meeting of the SVP will be on Wednesday 5th September at 7 30 pm in the presbytery.

Sunday Morning Coffees – There will be no Sunday morning coffees during the restoration and reordering of the Church. Thank you to all the volunteers who give up their time to provide this service, hopefully it will resume in December.

St Robert’s Brownie - Brownies do all kinds of things, from badges to sleepovers and they make heaps of friends and have lots of fun. So, if you are a girl between the ages of 7 and 10, why not give Elizabeth Dixon a ring on 516584 and talk about joining us.

Holy Land Pilgrimage - Saturday 16th February to Saturday 23rd February 2013 (half term) -

£1,150 each for two sharing. £250 single supplement. Full details and booking forms available at the back of church. Fr Lawrence writes ‘I am sorry that the pilgrimage is more expensive than I would have liked. This is due to the cost of flights. However this year we have secured flights from Newcastle (via Heathrow) with British Airways. Please do seriously consider coming along. This is a chance of a lifetime. Please pick up the information at the back of church. **Deposits need to be paid by Sunday 30th September. On Thursday 13th September there will be an information evening in the church hall at 7 00pm.** Arrangements can be made at this meeting to make gradual payments over the next three months. Here are some comments and reflections from St Robert’s parishioners after our last pilgrimage in February 2011:

“One of the most moving and emotional experiences of my life. To walk in the footsteps of Jesus, Mary and Joseph and to see the same land, sea and scenery that Jesus saw – unbelievable!”

“I went as pilgrim and returned as disciple!”

“Apprehension turned to joy.”

“Unforgettable experience and a confirmation of Faith.”

“It was all amazing – like seeing depicted all the stories you’ve known since childhood. Mass in front of the statue of Jesus forgiving Peter, with the lake behind us, and with the healing anointing made a great impression on me.”

“The peace of the area around the Sea of Galilee had a great calming effect, especially sitting silently in the boat in the middle of the lake. Although we were following in the footsteps of Jesus, it was maybe His ‘modern-day’ disciples who have spoken most clearly to me this week, sharing their insights and faith stories.”

“A much more rewarding experience than I had anticipated.”

“The Holy Land is our land – that is why it is good, important to come here – to help us understand the mystery of God made man, His humanity.”

“A humbling yet very fruitful experience. I pray that the sights, prayers and thoughts of the pilgrimage will change my life forever. Every Christian should endeavour to visit the Holy Land.”

“A wonderful, uplifting experience – renews your faith.”

“This pilgrimage offered an array of experiences that appealed to all the senses. We saw with our own eyes the land in which Jesus lived and died. We heard some thought-provoking sermons during Mass at the holy places. We touched historical places like the actual rock of Calvary. We felt the magic of Gethsemane. We tasted the sweet, fresh fruit of Israel, such as the Sharon fruit. We opened our hearts to allow this experience to change our lives.”