

St Robert of Newminster

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SUNDAY 19th AUGUST 2012 – 20TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR
PLEASE PICK UP A MISSALETTE FROM THE BACK OF CHURCH

		Mass	Intentions
Sunday	19 th	9 00am 11 00am 7 00pm	Sarah Ann Lockie Sylvia Callaghan People of the Parish
Monday	20 th	St Bernard 9 15am	Sylvia Davison
Tuesday	21 st	Dedication of St Mary's Cathedral 9 15am	Charles Owen
Wednesday	22 nd	The Queenship of Mary 9 15am	
Thursday	23 rd	St Rose of Lima 9 15am	
Friday	24 th	St Bartholomew, Apostle 9 15am	
Saturday	25 th	10 00am	
Sunday	26 th	9 00am 11 00am 7 00pm	

SUNDAY 26th August – 21st SUNDAY OF THE YEAR			
Mass	9 00am	11 00am	7 00pm
Readers	K Wilson, A Mitchell	A Dawes, P Dawes	L Cole, B Cole
Eucharistic Ministers	J Conroy, G Harber E Harber	Iv Brown, Is Brown B McGurk	A Smith, S Smith C Rich

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: No devotions this week. The next evening of devotion will be on Thursday 30th August at 7pm in the church hall.

**REMEMBER – ALL MASSES NEXT SUNDAY AT ST GEORGE’S, BRIDGE ST.
FREE PARKING IS AVAILABLE IN THE CAR PARK NEXT TO THE CHURCH.**

Lapel Pin Cross – just £1 each.

Holy Island Pilgrimage – SATURDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER 2012. PLEASE PICK UP THE SEPARATE SHEET.

Holy Land Pilgrimage - Saturday 16th February to Saturday 23rd February 2013 (half term). Full details and booking forms now 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 the flights. However this year we have secured flights from Newcastle (via Heathrow) with British Airways. Last time we had horrendous overnight coach travel to Luton. So, 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.

Parish Gift Aid – The total tax refund for the parish from Gift Aid for the year 2011/12 will be £720 less than last year as a result of reduced eligible contributions. Obviously the parish needs to maintain its income, especially in the light of the refurbishments to the church which are necessary, so parishioners should consider whether they can increase the amount of their offertory donations. Those who pay by standing order can do so simply by notifying their bank of the increased amount – the gift aid reclaim is taken from the receipts picked up from the parish bank statement. If you are a taxpayer but not yet in the Gift Aid scheme, please consider joining it- simply complete a Gift Aid declaration form from the pocket on the notice board and return it to Gerry Harber, parish Gift Aid organiser or to Fr Lawrence. Many thanks.

Bereavement Support – In accordance with the wishes of the Bishop we have got some people together who will act as a bereavement support group in the Parish. If you want to make use of the service on offer you’ll find some leaflets at the back of Church giving contact details.

Asylum Seekers Support Groups – Very many thanks for all the clothes, food and toiletries that have been donated for the asylum seekers support centres. Please continue with your efforts which are a lifeline to those in dire need. We urgently need an accessible place to store the donated goods before delivery to the centres – an underused garage or similar space would be ideal. If you are able to offer a space for this purpose, please contact Maura on 516452.

SVP Meeting – The next meeting of the SVP will be on Wednesday 5th September at 7 30 pm in the presbytery. No meetings for the next few weeks.

CWL – Thank you to everyone who supported the CWL Coffee Morning and Bring and Buy at Elizabeth Dixon’s home. £246 was raised for the CWL section projects.

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.

Indian Evening – Many thanks to everyone who worked tremendously hard to make it such a huge success. £360 was raised. PLEASE SEE THE SEPARATE NOTICE SHEET ABOUT THE CHURCH RESTORATION AND FUNDRAISING.