

# St Robert of Newminster

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PLEASE PICK UP A MISSALETTE

SUNDAY 25<sup>th</sup> May 2014

6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter



## A Season of Joy

| <u>Masses</u> |   | <u>Intentions</u>                                |
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| Sunday        | 25 <sup>th</sup><br>9:00am<br>11:00am<br>7:00pm                             | John Bullen<br>Joseph McCole                     |
| Monday        | 26 <sup>th</sup><br>St Philip Neri, Priest<br><u>10.00am</u>                | Lawrence Baker                                   |
| Tuesday       | 27 <sup>th</sup><br>St Augustine of Canterbury<br>9:15am                    |  |
| Wednesday     | 28 <sup>th</sup><br>9:15am  | Deceased members of Wright Family                |
| Thursday      | 29 <sup>th</sup><br>9:15am  | Baker and Gatehouse Families                     |
| Friday        | 30 <sup>th</sup><br>9:15am  |  |
| Saturday      | 31 <sup>st</sup><br>Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary<br>10:00am        | Evelyn Givens                                    |
| Sunday        | 1 <sup>st</sup><br>The Ascension of the Lord<br>9:00am<br>11:00am<br>7:00pm | Helen & Douglas Cone<br><br>People of the Parish |

### SUNDAY 1<sup>st</sup> June 2014 – The Ascension of the Lord

| Mass                  | 9:00am                              | 11:00am                            | 7:00pm                                 |
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| Readers               | D. Marr<br>J. Offen                 | D. Shearer<br>V. Shearer           | L. Cole<br>B. Cole                     |
| Eucharistic Ministers | E. Harber<br>E. Harber<br>T. Walker | G. Davison<br>A. Dawes<br>C. Smith | M. Illingworth<br>S. Smith<br>A. Smith |
| Altar Servers         | A. Bambrick<br>M. Laux              | A. Kinghorn                        | P. Smith<br>D. Dowd                    |

Children's Liturgy: Leader - Amy Companion - Sylvie

**A Season of Joy - Next session Tues 3rd June "How to live life in the Holy Spirit".**

**PLEASE PICK UP THE EXTRA SHEET ENTITLED – A SEASON OF JOY**

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

**Confessions:** Wednesday 6.30pm to 7.00pm. Saturday: 11 00am – 12 noon

**The Angelus:** Monday to Friday 9.00am. **Morning Prayer:-** Monday to Friday 9.00am

**Rosary** - Saturday – 9 40am. **Divine Mercy Devotions –** Thursday 7.00pm in the presbytery

**Bible Sharing** –1.00pm to 2.00pm on Tuesday in church hall

**Wednesday Word** – please pick up a copy in the porch to help you prepare for Mass next Sunday.

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** – Thursday from the end of Mass until Benediction at 10.15am and Saturday from the end of Mass until 12 noon. During Adoration on Thursday mornings the rosary will be prayed for the forthcoming parish mission.

**Divine Mercy Devotions** – Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> June at 7 00pm in the presbytery

**Last Sunday's Offering** – £1,120.11. Many thanks

**Second Collection** – next Sunday for World Communication Day

**RIP** – Please pray for Bernadette Reddecliffe who died this week. May she rest in peace.

**NOVENA TO THE HOLY SPIRIT** – Please pick up the PINK sheet from the back of church for a very powerful prayer to the Holy Spirit to be used in preparation for the Feast of Pentecost. The Novena begins this Friday, 30<sup>th</sup> May and lasts till Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> June.

**Fundraising - Godfather Dinner** in school hall on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> June, tickets to be available from 1<sup>st</sup> June £15 for 3 courses and **Collingwood Dinner** 18<sup>th</sup> October. Put these dates in your diary.

**Christian Aid – thanks** - On behalf of Christian Aid, many thanks to all who contributed in any way towards Christian Aid Week. A special thank you to our house to house collectors who gave their time and efforts, and to all who gave generously. The total collected by St Robert's was £1,504, nearly 14% more than last year. This will enable hundreds of families in developing countries to change their lives by sustaining themselves and educating their children to ensure lasting benefit. Thanks also to those who supplied books and plants, helped with and supported the stalls in the Market Place. These raised over £250.

**S.V.P.** - The SVP meet in the Presbytery at 7.30 p.m. on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> May.

**"HILDA OF NORTHUMBRIA" – DAY OF REFLECTION FOR WOMEN - Saturday 31 May** St Hilda's Diocesan Resource Centre, West Road, Newcastle, NE15 7PY, 10.30am – 4.00pm. There is no charge for this day but booking is essential. Please bring a packed lunch. To book, please contact us at [adult.formation@diocesehn.org.uk](mailto:adult.formation@diocesehn.org.uk). In the 1400th anniversary year of Hilda's birth, we celebrate and reflect on her life as a model for women of the 21st century. Led by Kathryn Turner, Head of the Diocesan Department for Spirituality.

**A Season of Joy – prayer support** – Please pray the parish prayer every day. It will be prayed every day at Mass. You are also invited to do some fasting or penance each Friday.

**No Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament this Friday morning.**

**Youth Group** – No meeting this Thursday.

**Thank you** – many thanks to everyone who worked so hard to make the second session of the Season of Joy on Thursday night such a great success. It all went extremely well. Many thanks.

**E mail database** – An second Email communications was sent last week. We had trouble with some Email addresses. If you did not receive the communication please write out your Email address and put it in the box at the back of church or Email Fr Lawrence at [ljonesys@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:ljonesys@yahoo.co.uk).

**The Holy Rosary** – After Mass on Monday morning. Mass is at 10.00am this Monday. If you would like to lead the rosary one week please sign up on the list at the back of church. Pick a day and time of your convenience.

**Pilgrimage to the Holy Land** – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2015. Visiting Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Nazareth, Cana, the Dead Sea, the Sea of Galilee, Capernaum, the mount of the Transfiguration, the site of the multiplication of loaves and fishes, the mount of beatitudes and much more. £1,195 each (sharing a room). Single room supplement £270.00. Includes flights from Heathrow (but not transport to and from Heathrow), Half board accommodation with dinner, bed and breakfast. Please pick up a brochure from the table in the porch. There are limited place and Fr Lawrence has received a lot of interest from individuals and other parishes. The pilgrimage will be advertised more widely next weekend. St Robert's parishioners please book as soon as possible. Fr Lawrence would not want you to be disappointed.

**Celebrate North East** – 11-12 October 2014 at Hebburn. For more information pick up the information in the porch.

**School Transport** - In the porch you will find copies of the letter of Mr Joe Hughes (Director of Catholic Education for the Diocese) to the County. It will help you with arguments to use in your responses to the consultation. You can do this on line at <http://www.northumberland.gov.uk/STpolicy> or use the forms at the back of church and post your response to Mrs Lorraine Fife, Childrens Services, Freepost, MP135, County Hall, Morpeth. NE61 1BR. Please take the time to respond to this consultation. As Fr Lawrence and Mrs Cunningham (Head teacher of St Robert's) said **“this consultation could result in the withdrawal of free transport for all Catholic pupils attending a Catholic school. This could have a significant impact on the numbers of Catholic children attending partnership schools and ultimately threaten the future viability of Catholic schools in the County.”**

**Parish Newsletter** – all items must be submitted by Thursday night, preferably by Email to [ljonesys@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:ljonesys@yahoo.co.uk)