

St Robert of Newminster

A Season of Joy

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Parish Priest: Fr Lawrence Jones

Retired Priest in residence: Fr Jim Doherty

PLEASE PICK UP A MISSALETTE

SUNDAY 20th July 2014

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time



	<u>Masses</u>	<u>Intentions</u>
Sunday	20 th 9:00am 11:00am 7:00pm	Des McLaughlin
Monday	21 st 9:15am	
Tuesday	22 nd St Mary Magdalene 9:15am Funeral Service 1.00pm	Ghislaine McAllister Violet O'Hare
Wednesday	23 rd St Bridget of Sweden (Co-Patron of Europe) 9:15am	Brian Lewins
Thursday	24 th Martyrs of the Diocese 9:15am	
Friday	25 th St James, Apostle 9:15am	
Saturday	26 th St's Joachim and Anne (Parents of Our Lady) 10:00am	All Grandparents
Sunday	27 th 9:00am 11:00am 7:00pm	Brian Lewins Maureen Cannon

SUNDAY 27th July 2014 – 17th Sunday of the Year

Mass	9:00am	11:00am	7:00pm
Readers	J. Offen M. Boyle	J. Ratcliffe L. Flinders	J. Gill D. Oldroyd
Eucharistic Ministers	M. Dewar D. Dewar D. Shuttleworth	G. Davison C. Smith A. Dawes	A. Smith S. Smith M. Illingworth
Altar Servers	S. Bambrick E. Walker-Barras	P. Glancey	B. Gosling D. Dowd

Children's Liturgy: Summer Holidays

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

Confessions: No confessions this Wednesday. Saturday – 11 00am – 12 noon

The Angelus: Monday to Friday at 9.00am. **Morning Prayer:** Monday to Friday at 9 00am.

Divine Mercy Devotions - next Devotions Thursday 4th September 7 00pm in presbytery

Bible Sharing – 1 00 – 2 00pm on Tuesday in Church hall

Wednesday Word – to help you prepare for Mass next Sunday. Please pick up a copy in the porch. **Rosary** - Saturday – 9 40am and after Mass on Monday

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.

Parish Mission Feedback – Last chance to fill in the feedback form. Please take a PINK sheet from the back of church, fill it in and put it in the box at the back of church.

Sunday Evening Mass – Fr Lawrence and Fr Jim would like us to explore the possibility of changing the time of Sunday evening Mass from 7.00pm to 6.00pm. There are plans to make this Mass more “youth friendly” and then have youth activities after Mass. A 6.00pm Mass would allow us the time to have these activities without having to run too late. There are voting slips at the back of church. Put them in the box provided. Please think hard and pray! The ballot will remain open until Sunday 3rd August.

Picnic in the Park - Carlisle Park, 12 noon to 4pm TODAY. Lots of fun and free BBQ provided by Churches Together in Morpeth.

Thanks - Betty Lewins and her family would like to thank everyone for their sympathy, care and compassion at Brian's Funeral on Friday and since he died, and for their donations to Cancer Research UK.

Grandparents Mass – this Saturday is the feast of St's Joachim and Anne, the parents of Our Blessed Lady. It's a great day for grandparents to come to Mass and seek the Lord's help and blessing on their families.

SVP–Africa – Jacky Botha is doing the Camino walk for this charity. See the sheet in the porch.

Engaged Couples – Please see the notice at the back of church and pray for the four couples who are preparing to be married at St Robert's this year – Scott and Catherine, Edwards and Jessica, Graeme and Laura, Michael and Claire.

Fundraising Events – Dates for your diary. We are currently raising funds for the church hall. We are having a problem with damp and the kitchen will need a lot of work – like a new cooker!. The Collingwood Dinner will now be on Saturday 27th September.

The Christmas Fair will be on Saturday 8th November in the Town Hall.

Christmas Wine Tasting on Friday 28th November (not 6th December as previously advertised) – to help you select appropriate wines for your Christmas celebrations.

Parish Pilgrimage to Holy Island – Saturday 13th September.

SVP Simonside Stomp – This is a 16 mile sponsored walk over the Simonside Hills for the SVP taking place on 9th August. Are you up for the challenge? If so, see notice in the porch for details, or contact Gerry Harber (517829) for more information.

Statues – You may have noticed that the statue of Our Lady of Lourdes in the grotto has been beautifully repainted by Ivan Webley. Please don't decorate it with flowers or rosary beads. Mr Webley will soon be painting the statue of Christ the King. We have a photograph of it in its original condition. The plan is to restore it to that original condition.

Consecration Plaque – (N.B: for those clever clogs who said this spelling was wrong should recant of their error. It is **plague** as in the Black Death and **plaque** for what is referred to here.) It is over a year now since the new altar was consecrated. There is a plaque to commemorate the event on the far side of the altar where the priest stands. It covers the exact spot where the relics were deposited (St Anthony of Padua, St Bernadette and St Maria Goretti). Please don't hesitate to go behind the altar and take a look.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land – Friday 20th to Friday 27th 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. The price is £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 places and Fr. Lawrence has received a lot of interest from individuals and other parishes. The pilgrimage is now being advertised more widely. St Robert's parishioners please book as soon as possible. Fr. Lawrence would not want you to be disappointed.

Celebrate North East – 11-12th October 2014 at Hebburn. For more information pick up the information in the porch. Also take a look at the parish website for promotion video.

Pastoral Parish Council (PPC) – the PPC is now made up by Father Lawrence (President), Harry Cone (Chair), Marian Bell (Vice Chair), Jane Laidlaw (Secretary), Mat Boyle, Martin Dowd, Lynda Edwards, Maura Illingworth, Andrew O'Neill, Michael Quincey, Peter Smith, Sarah Watson and Ken Wilson. Special advisor Father Jim. If any parishioner has a query/suggestion re the running of the Parish then please contact any member of the PPC who will try and answer such queries/suggestions or bring that matter up at a PPC meeting.