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SUNDAY 31st AUGUST 2014 – 22nd SUNDAY
PLEASE PICK UP A MISSALETTE

		Mass	Intentions
Sunday	31st	9 00am 11 00am 7 00pm	People of the Parish Anne Cosimini
Monday	1 st September	9 15am	Chrissy Bone (sick)
Tuesday	2 nd	9 15am 11.00am	Kathleen Lavelle (sick) Funeral Service for Bill Woods
Wednesday	3 rd	St Gregory The Great, Pope 9 15am	Sean Rielly & Family
Thursday	4 th	Translation of St Cuthbert 9 15am	Elis & Charlie Glancey
Friday	5 th	9 15am	A. Ford
Saturday	6 th	10 00am	
Sunday	7 th	9 00am 11 00am 7 00pm	Helen & Douglas Cone

SUNDAY 7th SEPTEMBER – 23rd SUNDAY

	9 00am	11 00am	7 00pm
Readers	A Mitchell, K Wilson	L Flinders, B Cudd	Clive Rich, S Smith
Eucharistic Ministers	M Dewar, D Dewar A Donaldson	A Dawes, E Dixon G Davison	M Illingworth, A Smith C Rich
Altar Servers	Anna Bambrick Erin Boyle	Philip Glancey	Joseph Dowd Danny Dowd

Children's liturgy -

Tea/Coffee after morning Masses every Sunday – everyone welcome

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

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

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

Bible Sharing: Tuesday 1.00pm in church hall.

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.

Wednesday Word: to help you prepare for Mass next Sunday. Please pick up a copy at the back of church.

Last Sunday's offering - £1,194.09. Many thanks.

Sunday Evening Mass – 135 votes for 6.00pm Mass; 79 votes for 7.00pm Mass. Starting on Sunday 4th January 2015 the Sunday evening Mass will be at 6.00pm. This will enable us to have youth activities on a Sunday evening.

Youth Group – 7.00pm on Thursday in the church hall.

Gerry's 2014 walk – Gerry Harber will be backpacking the Dales Way (80 miles from Ilkley to Bowness-on-Windermere) in September as a sponsored walk for Christian Aid. He will be outside church with sponsor forms for the next few Sundays – please support him.

SVP – The next meeting of the SVP will be on Wednesday 10th September in the presbytery.

Jacky Botha's walk of the Camino – Jacky is walking the Camino pilgrimage from St Jean in France to Santiago de Compostela – a distance of about 500 miles – as a sponsored walk for the SVP work in Sudan. The situation in Sudan is desperate, though little in the news. Of the 29 million population, up to 9 million have been killed or made refugees including 100,000 orphaned or abandoned children. The SVP is running projects costing 1.6 million euros (about £1.3m) including baby feeding stations, medical clinics and training projects. For details see notice board in church porch. You can support Jacky by signing a sponsorship form (so the SVP can get Gift Aid) or by placing your donation in an enveloped marked 'Camino' and putting it in the basket at Mass.

Progress update: in the first 5 days Jacky had walked 109km. She had some blisters but was carrying on though some people she had walked with had given up because of them.

Christian Aid Street Collection - The annual Christian Aid Street collection in Morpeth takes place on Saturday 20th September. Six volunteers for St Robert's are needed to each collect for one hour. Can you help? Please put your name against your chosen hour on the list in the porch.

Christian Aid Car Boot Sale – Christian Aid will be setting up a table at the Blue Skies car boot sale on Saturday 6th September. We would welcome any bric-a-brac to sell. Please contact Eileen or Gerry Harber on 517829 if you have goods to donate. Thank you.

CWL - There will be a committee meeting on Monday 1st September at 6 00pm in the church hall.

CWL- Monday 8th September - No Mass but there will be a Business Meeting at 7.00pm in the church hall. Members and friends welcome

Parish Mission Feedback – Please pick up the PINK sheet in the porch for the feedback results.

Pilgrimage to Holy Island - Saturday 13th September – parish pilgrimage to Holy Island. Please sign up on the list at the back of church. Coach will leave St Robert's at 9.30am and leave Holy Island at 4.00pm. £7.00 for adults and £3.00 for children. Children under 3 go for free. This is always a great family day out.

Statuses – Mr Ivan Webley is now painting the statue of Christ the King in the sacristy. The Icon of St Robert has been put there as a temporary measure.

Collingwood Dinner – Tickets now on sale after Mass. £15 a ticket. The evening starts with drinks in Collingwood House (the Presbytery) at 7.30pm followed by Dinner in the school hall at 8.00pm on Saturday 27th September. Payments must be made by the previous weekend at the latest. Last time we had a dinner some people took tickets promising to pay on the evening but they didn't turn up. Consequently a considerable amount of food was wasted and the profit diminished. Bring your own drinks for the dinner. These are always very enjoyable evenings. Why not bring some friends? It's an opportunity for folks to visit the home of Admiral Collingwood and celebrate our great Northumbrian hero with a splendid meal. 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. Please note the other dates for your diary - the Christmas Fair will be on Saturday 8th November in the Town Hall. Christmas Wine Tasting on Friday 28th November to help you select appropriate wines for your Christmas celebrations.

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. £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.

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.

'Celebrate is a Catholic family conference for Christians of all ages. Our vision is to offer a faith-filled and fun event which combines good Christian teaching, inspirational speakers and celebration of the liturgy, where young and old alike join together in a vibrant atmosphere to celebrate the love of God.' Bishop Seamus will be attending.

Deanery Mass for Healing – Wednesday 17th September at St Paul's, Percy Street, Alnwick. From 6.00pm to 7.00pm there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with an opportunity for Confession. At 7.00pm Mass will be celebrated with the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick or laying on of hands.

Deanery Day of Reflection for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion – Saturday 20th September at St Aidan's Ashington from 10.30am to 3.00pm. See notice in porch for more details. Fr Lawrence and Fr Jim very much encourages you to take part.

SENUG – South East Northumberland Rail User Group – Public Meeting at Town Hall and announcement of winners of Schools ABT DVD competition on Friday 12th September at 7.30pm. See notice in porch.

Pilgrimage – Fr Lawrence is away from Wednesday 3rd September to Thursday 11th September on a pilgrimage to Medjugorje. This is not a holiday.

Asylum Seekers and Wansbeck Valley Food Bank – Please see boxes in the porch for donations that are needed.