

# St Robert of Newminster

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## 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2013

**Home Mission Sunday**

Pick up a leaflet from the porch

PLEASE PICK UP MISSALETTE

	<u>Masses</u>	<u>Intentions</u>
Sunday	15 <sup>th</sup> 9:00am 11:00am 7:00pm	Cone Family Evelyn Givens Thanksgiving – Ben & Rachel Cole
Monday	16 <sup>th</sup> Ss Cornelius & Cyprian 9:15am	Theresa Gramazio McAllister
Tuesday	17 <sup>th</sup> St Robert Bellamine 9:15am	Doris Cook John Barrett
Wednesday	18 <sup>th</sup> 9:15am	
Thursday	19 <sup>th</sup> St Theodore of Canterbury 9:15am	Carol Teasdale (for healing)
Friday	20 <sup>th</sup> Ss Andrew Kim Taegon, Paul Chong Hassang & Companions 9:15am	
Saturday	21 <sup>st</sup> St Matthew 10:00am	
Sunday	22 <sup>nd</sup> 9:00am 11:00am 7:00pm	Evelyn Givens Howard Paul Thanksgiving

### Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass	9:00am	11:00am	7:00pm
Readers	M. Bell G. Harber	J. Ratcliffe L. Flinders	G. Sutcliffe T. Edwards
Eucharistic Ministers	A. Beattie T. Walker J. Conroy	A. Dawes C. Smith M. Beaton	C. Rich M. Illingworth A. Smith
Altar Servers	S. Bambrick E. Shuttleworth	P. Glancey	B. Gosling D. Dowd

Children's Liturgy Leader:      Companion:

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

**Confessions** – No Confessions this Wednesday. Saturday - 11.00am – 12.00 noon.

**The Angelus** - Monday to Friday - 9 00am. **Morning Prayer** - Monday to Friday - 9 00am.

**Rosary** - Saturday - 9 40am

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** - Thursday morning from end of Mass to 10.30am and Saturday from the end of Mass to 12 noon

**Divine Mercy Devotions** – Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September at 7.00pm pm in the presbytery.

All welcome

**Bible Sharing** - Tuesday 1.00pm to 2.00pm in church hall. All welcome.

**Wednesday Word** – to help you prepare for the readings next Sunday. Pick up a sheet at the back of church.

**Recent Sunday Offerings** – £1,146.51 Many thanks.

**Widdrington Mass** – Please note that the Vigil Mass of 21<sup>st</sup> September at Widdrington is cancelled.

**Fundraising** – Dates for the diary: 19<sup>th</sup> October - Dinner on St Robert's Orient Express. 23<sup>rd</sup> November – Christmas Fayre.

**Eucharistic Ministers and Readers** – PLEASE PICK UP THE SEPARATE SHEETS AT THE BACK OF CHURCH. - FOR NEW INSTRUCTIONS THAT START TODAY.

**Confirmations** – The course continues on Thursday at 7.00pm in the church hall. The weekend away is Friday (evening) 18<sup>th</sup> October to Sunday (lunchtime) 20<sup>th</sup> October. We will be going to Whithaugh Park – the Rock UK adventure park just over the border in Scotland. Unfortunately, the Youth Village is fully booked!. However, Whithaugh Park has a lot of facilities that will make the weekend a lot of fun as well as giving us space and time to prepare the young people for Confirmation. Next Sunday, the candidates will be officially enrolled at the Sunday Masses. Bishop Séamus will be here for the Sacrament of Confirmation on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November at 7.00pm. Please pray for the 21 young people who will be confirmed. Liquid – a social event for young people from all Churches in Morpeth – this evening at 7.00pm in the New Life Christian Centre, Dacre St.

**Wansbeck Valley Food Bank** – Please see the box in the Porch for what's required.

**Refugees and Asylum Seekers** – Food needed – Tins of Fish, Beef, Tomatoes and Sweetcorn. Sugar, Coffee, Tea, Cooking Oil, Biscuits, Rice and Pasta.

**Intercessory Prayer Group** – a few people met this week and it was decided that the emphasis of our prayer should be our young people especially those preparing for Confirmation. The rosary and the period of adoration after Mass on a Saturday will be for this intention. It was also hoped to have a rosary group each week to pray for this intention. Also, the period of adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on a Thursday will be offered for vocations.

**The Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady and Rosary** – this week in the presbytery after Mass on Wednesday followed by tea and scones and a discussion about the future of the group in light of the item above.

**Children's Liturgy** - We need new leaders for Children's Liturgy which takes place at 9am Mass. Please consider offering to help, especially if your children come to Children's liturgy. Feel free to come in to liturgy at 9am Mass if you would like to see what is involved or speak to Father Lawrence. Liturgy leaders are placed on a rota and usually only lead a liturgy every 5 or 6 weeks, the more leaders we have, the better for everyone!

**Parish Gift Aid** - The Gift Aid claim for St Robert's Parish for the tax year 2012-13 has been made and £10,869 has been credited to the parish as a result. This is a very important part of our annual parish income. Many thanks to all those who participate in the Gift Aid scheme for helping to achieve such a good result. If any parishioners who pay income tax but are not yet in the scheme would like to join, please take a form from the folder on the notice board in the church porch and return it to Gerry Harber, Parish Gift Aid Organiser or Fr Lawrence.

All parishioners who were registered under the Gift Aid scheme for tax year 2012-13 and have offertory contributions recorded will receive a letter informing them of the total amount of their contributions under the scheme for that year. If you think that you are in the scheme but have not received a letter by the end of September please contact Gerry Harber (517829). Conversely, if you have received a letter but your circumstances have changed (e.g. no longer paying tax, change of address) please advise Gerry about that.

**Christian Aid Street Collection** - The Christian Aid annual Street Collection takes place on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> September, from 9.00 a.m. until 3.00 p.m. Six collectors are needed to make up the St Robert's team: volunteers please put your name and telephone number against your selected hour on the list in the Church porch. On the day, collect your box from St Robert's Presbytery five minutes before your start time. Thank you for your support.

**Welcome** – to Rev Simon White who was inducted yesterday as the new rector of Morpeth.

**Coming Soon – the Journey in Faith** – starting on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October at 7.00pm in the presbytery. This is for anyone who wants to know more about the Catholic Faith. We begin with "Believe" - Reflections on the Creed - a six part DVD series exploring the treasures of our faith. Why not take some time to explore your faith and deepen your love and understanding of the Creed we profess? This is also an ideal course for those who are interested in becoming Catholic or who want to know more about the Catholic faith. Why not bring a friend or family member who is not a Catholic. .

**Rest in Peace** – Please remember in your prayers, Mr Jim Houghton, aged 79, formerly of Morpeth, who died in London this week, son of Alice & Jimmy Houghton.

**Mustard Tree Trust** - fundraising meal/AGM at Marabinis Italian Restaurant on Monday 23rd September at 7pm. Tickets cost £13 to include starter, main course and coffee. Pay on the night but ideally ring Alice Lane on 511001. For information about the work of the Mustard Tree Trust and its work with the young people of Morpeth go to <http://www.mustardtreetrust.org/>