

Masses, Services and Devotions

	St Bede's Church Bedlington	St Robert of Newminster Church Morpeth
Saturday 20th October <i>Weekday</i>	5pm The Rosary 5pm-5.20pm Confessions 5.30pm Vigil Mass: People of Parish	9:40am The Rosary 10.00am Mass: Poor Clares 10.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 11am — 12 noon <i>Confessions</i>
Sunday 21st October 29th Sunday Year B	4.00pm Rosary and Benediction	9.00am Mass: Harry & Margaret Bell 11.00am Mass: Dr Nick Sutcliffe 12.30 Baptism: Eleanor Marie Wilkinson
Monday 22nd October	10.00am Mass <i>No Intention</i>	8.30am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9.00am The Angelus 9.15am Service of Word and Communion
Tuesday 23rd October <i>Weekday</i>	10.00am Service of Word and Communion	8.30am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9.00am The Angelus 9.15am Mass: Cairns Family
Wednesday 24th October	10.00am Mass: <i>No Intention</i>	8.30am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9.00am The Angelus 9.15am Service of Word and Communion
Thursday 25th October	10.00am Service of Word and Communion	8.30am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9.00am The Angelus 9.15am Mass: Douglas Cone 7.00pm Divine Mercy Devotions
Friday 26th October <i>Weekday</i>	9.15am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 10.00am: Mass: No Intention 11.15am Funeral Service Mary Ann Carmody	8.30am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9.00am The Angelus 9.15am Service of Word and Communion
Saturday 27th October <i>Weekday</i>	5.00pm The Rosary 5.00pm—5.20pm <i>Confessions</i> 5.30pm Vigil Mass: Tom, Elizabeth and John Coates	9:40am The Rosary 10.00am Mass: Helen and Douglas Cone 10.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 11am — 12 noon <i>Confessions</i>
Sunday 28th October	12.30pm Baptism: Alfie Douglas 4.00pm Rosary and Benediction	9.00am Mass: Cecil Walker 11.00am Mass: Mr & Mrs S E I Cole

The Pope's Intention for October

Evangelization: The Mission of Religious ... That Consecrated religious men and women may bestir themselves, and be present among the poor, the marginalized, and those who have no voice.

Christian Aid Ceilidh - Thanks

Thanks to all those who supported the Ceilidh on 13th October, which raised a total of £355.50. A fun time was had by all who were there!

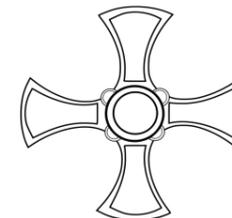
EDGE

Our partnership is now running an Edge group in St Robert's Parish Hall at 6pm on a Thursday evening for all in years 5, 6, 7 and 8. Please encourage any young people you know in that age group to come! It includes social time, games and activities, opportunities to make new friends, and thought provoking discussion on questions that really matter. If you have any questions, please contact Thomas, the youth ministry co-ordinator at: youth.brinkburnheavenfield@rcdhn.org.uk

Justice and Peace Urgent Appeal

Thanks to all who continue to donate food for Asylum Seekers, we are grateful for your generosity; please continue those donations. At the Centre in Newcastle, numbers have increased to approximately 560 clients since January. Over 100,000 food items and over £40,000 has been distributed. If you can support financially, standing order forms can be obtained from and donations given to Donald Marr (505573) or Maura Illingworth (516452). Cheques should be made payable to 'DHN Destitute Asylum Fund' and sent to John Dowling, Justice and Peace Refugee Project, Our Lady of Lourdes Deaf Centre, 2 Summerhill Grove, Newcastle, NE4 6EE. Thank you.

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Sunday 21st October 2018 - 29th Sunday Year B

"Grant that in your glory," request James and John, "that we may sit one at your right and the other at your left." They equate leadership with authority, power, glory and status. This is not of course how Jesus ever sought to lead. Jesus never sought power or glory; he only ever sought humility and servitude. Jesus was a servant king, who life was one of offering himself to reach out those who were less fortunate than himself in so many ways.

"Whoever wishes to be great among you will be slave of all," Jesus tells them. He meant that we should lead by example, by rolling up our sleeves and getting stuck in as equals.

Nowadays, we are very career orientated. We are brought up to equate position and status with success. It is easy for a politician, a doctor or a teacher to think that he or she is more important than the person who sweeps the streets. Jesus warns that the cup he chose to drink is a difficult one. What we should take away today is that no one must use their position to lord it over others; rather we should use our God given skills to serve one another.





Please pray for: The Harvest, the Fruits of Human Work, and the Reverent Use of Creation; Students and Teachers; The Spread of the Gospel; Justice and Peace in the world; Prisoners and their Families; All Victims of War; Young People; Prisoners and their families. Please pray for those who are sick, especially for Fr Jim Doherty; for Fr Peter Etterley at Alnwick who is very seriously ill;

for all who have died recently, including Winifred Dollimore, whose Funeral Service will be held at Whitley Bay Crematorium on Monday; for Mary Ann Carmody whose Funeral Service will be held at St Bede's Church on Friday morning; and for all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Offertory Collections:

St Bede's: 13th October 2018: **£332.90** / CAFOD **£175.80**
St Robert's: 14th October 2018: **£726.15** / CAFOD **£335.22**

World Mission Sunday

TODAY, 21st October is World Mission Sunday. There will be a Special Collection TODAY for the Association of the Propagation of the Faith. Mission Sunday envelopes are also available if you 'Gift Aid' your donation.. World Mission Sunday is the one Sunday in the year when the entire global Church comes together in support of mission. And all the donations from these worldwide Masses go entirely to support churches, hospitals, schools and vocations in countries where the Church is new, young or poor.



Prisoners Sunday

Many thanks to everyone who contributed to the Retiring Collection last weekend for **PACT**, the charity that cares for prisoners and their families. We raised **£190.76** at St Robert's Church and **£18** at St Bede's Church.

Visitation by Bishop Cunningham

Bishop Seamus Cunningham will be present with us at all our Masses NEXT WEEKEND - 27th / 28th October. This is part of the Bishop's regular visit to the parishes of the diocese. We look forward to welcoming him to St Bede's for the Vigil Mass and to St Robert's for Masses at 9am and 11am.

St Bede's Counting Teams

We haven't had any volunteers yet would anyone be willing to offer some time to help with the counting of the collections?

Rosary and Benediction

There will be Rosary and Benediction every Sunday afternoon at St Bede's Church at 4pm during the month of October. All Welcome

Lay Carmelite Association

The Lay Carmelite Association will hold their next meeting at St Paul's, Cramlington on Sunday 21st Oct at 2.00pm. All welcome

Catholic Women's League

The next CWL meeting will be on Monday 22nd October at 7pm in St Robert's Church Hall. There will be a talk on "Admiral Nurses". Everyone welcome.

CWL Bonus Ball

The 1st draw of the Bonus Ball was on Saturday 13th October. The lucky winners receiving £25 were Heidi Edwards and Vera Soulsby. Congratulations to them both.

Newsletter Items

Please drop in a note at the Presbytery or e-mail items for the parish newsletter by 7pm on Wednesday to the parish office email address at St Robert's.

Tea and Coffee after Mass

We have tea and coffee available after the Vigil Mass at St Bede's each Saturday evening. We also have tea and coffee available after the 9am and 11am Masses at St Robert's on Sunday morning.

Maria Luiza Orphanage, Bulgaria—Fundraising

There will be a Supper and Quiz Evening in St Bede's Parish Hall at 7pm on Saturday 10th November. Tickets will be on sale after the 5.30 Vigil Mass at St Bede's Church, £5 per person (children free). For additional tickets please contact Margaret Lacy on 07801 695400 (supper vegetarian and gluten free options available).

"Open House"

Ten years ago, St Cuthbert's Care enabled parishioners at St Bede's Parish to begin 'Open House', a Tuesday evening gathering for the senior citizens of the parish and the local community and every week there is an average of 30 people attending. It has run very effectively with the help of a group of very committed parishioners. After ten years, they now need a little support and help in the running of Open House. We invite people to seriously consider giving some of their time - 3 hours on a Tuesday evening - once a month, would be a great help. If you think you can help with this, please speak with Christine Priest. It would be very sad to think that 'Open House' might close, not be able to continue as successfully in the future because we were unable to provide enough people from the parish to help.

St Robert's Parish Accounts 2017-18

Summarised accounts for St Robert's Parish for the year 2017/18 have been prepared and a copy is on the notice board in the church porch for information. Many thanks to all our parishioners for their offertories throughout the year which more than covered the total expenditure. Thanks particularly to all those who are in the Gift Aid scheme which resulted in a tax reclaim of £12,558.61 being credited to the parish deposit account for future needs - a very worthwhile contribution. However, we still have many parishioners who have not signed a Gift Aid form. Please do so if you are a tax-payer, there are forms in the plastic folder on the notice board at the back of St Robert's Church.

Parish Social Evening

We are to hold a Parish Social Evening at St Bede's Church Hall, for both St Bede's and St Robert's Parishes on Friday 30th November from 7.30pm - 11pm. Bring your own food for a Shared Table and your own drink. We will have a band who will provide live music - supplied by the Celtic Folk Band "The Dicey Rileys", who are fairly well known in the local area. We have tickets available at £6 per head. Please contact Pat Gales at St Bede's on 01670 821471 / 07724659446 or more information from Father Peter. We hope this will be a very successful evening for members of both parishes, and hope you will want to come along for a good evening's entertainment.



St Robert's SVP

The annual report to parishioners from St Robert's SVP is available at the back of church - please take one. It expresses our thanks to all of our generous benefactors. The next meeting of St Robert's SVP will be on Wednesday 31st October at 7.30pm.

Meeting for Music for Advent and Christmas

There will be an extra meeting of the St Robert's Liturgy and Worship Group on Thursday 25th October at 7.00pm to discuss our Masses and Services and music provision during Advent and the Christmas Season.



Holiday of Obligation

There is a Holiday of Obligation coming up soon—1st November, the Solemnity of All Saints. A Vigil Mass will be celebrated at 7pm on 31st October at St Bede's Church and Masses on 1st November at 12.30pm and 7pm at St Robert's.



Feast of All Souls

On the Feast of All Souls we will have a Mass at 10am at St Bede's and an evening Mass at 7.00pm at St Robert's to pray for the souls of all our faithful departed.



Rosary and Blessing of Graves

We will be remembering those who are buried in our cemeteries once again with the Rosary and Blessing of Graves, on ...

- 4th November at 3pm at Fairmoor Cemetery, Morpeth
- 11th November at 3pm at St Mary's Cemetery, Morpeth
- 18th November at 3pm at Bedlington Cemetery

Prayers for All Ministers and Readers

There will be a period of prayer, with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament for all Readers and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion on Monday 29th October at 7.00pm in St Robert's Church. After the prayer, there will be the usual opportunity for discussion or questions about ministries and roles.



Christmas Piety Stall

Many thanks to everyone who supported the Christmas Card sale recently. We shall hold two more Stalls with Christmas Cards and other items in both St Robert's and St Bede's on the weekends of 3rd /4th November; and 8th/9th December. Alternatively please contact Bernadette at the Parish Office who will have cards available there.

Two Christmas Fayres

St Bede's Christmas Fayre will be held on Saturday 1st December at 11am in the Church Hall and St Robert's Christmas Fayre will be on Saturday 8th December using both the School Hall and the Church Hall. If anyone has any new ideas about stalls or attractions, we would love to hear from you. Please get in touch with Alison Johnston or Sandra Boulter at St Bede's or either Andrea Mitchell (512281) (usually at 9am Mass) or Elizabeth Dixon (516584) (usually at 11am Mass). Thank you.



Confirmation Preparation

We have several young people from both of our parishes preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation in December. We are delighted that they have put themselves forward for this special celebration. Please keep them in your prayers at this time.

Baptism Preparation Meeting

The next Baptism Preparation Meeting will be held on Thursday 22nd November at St Robert's Church. Any parents wishing to attend this meeting in preparation for Baptism should speak to Fr Peter as soon as possible before this meeting to arrange attendance.



Weddings 2019

If anyone is planning a Wedding for 2019 and they have not approached the church to book a date, please contact Fr Peter or Deacon Stephen as soon as possible. At the moment we don't have any weddings in next years diary.

Liturgy Rota -St Bedes

The new Liturgy/Counters Rota for St Bede's Church, commencing 27th October, is now available. If you are involved in Ministries during Mass, please take a copy of the rota on the yellow sheet, which is available in the Narthex.

Information Sessions on the Permanent Diaconate

The permanent diaconate is well-established in our Diocese now, and the deacons come from all walks of life and live out their ministry in a variety of ways. The Council of Deacons is running a series of information evenings across the diocese, to offer an opportunity to come along and find out more about the diaconate. The Council of Deacons is sure that the Holy Spirit is calling forward men to the diaconate. The information evenings will offer an overview of the four-year formation period, insight from current deacons as to how they live out their ministry, and offer a chance to ask questions. Anyone interested to know more is invited to come along to one of the sessions. Wives of those interested in the diaconate are welcome to attend. The details of the three information evenings are as follows:



- Wednesday 7th November 7pm: St Hilda's Resource Centre, West Road, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE15 7PY.
- Wednesday 21st November 7pm: English Martyrs and SS Peter and Paul, Redhill Road, Stockton-on-Tees, TS19 9BY.
- Thursday 22nd November 7pm: St Michael's, Durham Road, Houghton-le-Spring, DH5 8NF

If you are unable to attend any of these evenings, but are still interested in knowing more about the permanent diaconate, please look at the diocesan website:

Northumberland Listening Service

A free and confidential Listening Service, is available for those who wish to talk about issues such as Loss and Bereavement, Stress, Anxiety, Relationship Difficulties, Loneliness or other concerns. To make an appointment please telephone 07732 980740