

**ST ROBERT'S FENHAM , ALL SAINTS & ST GEORGE'S
31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B 3RD NOVEMBER 2024**

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**THE CYCLE OF PRAYER:
Autumn**

During Ordinary Time from September to Advent, we are asked to pray for these intentions:
Students and Teachers; The Spread of the Gospel; the Harvest; the Fruits of Human Work & the Reverent Use of Creation; Justice and Peace in the World; All Victims of War; Young People; Prisoners & their Families

Mission Statement:-

"We, the Parishioners of St Robert's Church Fenham recognise each person as a gifted Child of God and strive to foster a loving relationship with Christ & with each other within our community".

Sunday Readers and Eucharistic Ministers

St Robert's 11.00 am

Date	Eucharistic Ministers	Readers of the Word
3rd November	The African Community	The African Community
10th November	J. Hall-Murray N.Hedley	M.Kemakolam P.McTernan

ST ROBERT'S WEEKDAY MASS READERS ROTA w.c 4th November 2024 Week A

Mass Intentions

Day	St George's	St Bede's	St Robert's
Saturday 2nd November	6.00 pm (Vigil Mass) The Holy Souls		
Sunday 3rd November 31st Sunday of the Year		9.30 am Gavin Ian Swales RIP	11.00 am In Loving memory of Laurie Hodgson RIP (P.H)
Monday 4th November St Charles Borromeo Bp			
Tuesday 5th November			6.30 pm Bernadette Leathart RIP (M.L)
Wednesday 6th November St Leonard		10.00 am Blessings & Protection of Family	➡ 11.00 am Funeral Service Shelagh Mary Souter RIP
Thursday 7th November St Willibrord Bp			9.30 am (In School) Des & Maureen McGrahan on their Golden Wedding(M.W)
Friday 8th November	10.00 am Mary Naughton RIP		
Saturday 9th November The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica	6.00 pm (Vigil Mass) Richard Wilson RIP		
Sunday 10th November 32nd Sunday of the Year Remembrance Sunday		9.30 am John Henry Hutchinson RIP	11.00 am Happy Birthday Jim (M.N)

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY—10TH NOVEMBER



Next **Sunday 10th November** is **Remembrance Sunday**.

In order that we can observe the customary 2 minute's silence, everyone is asked to be seated **NO LATER** than **5 minutes to 11**.

All those arriving after that time will be asked to wait, either in the meeting room or outside until the silence and the reading of the roll call has ended.

Thank you for your help in this matter.

Spirituality

SANCTUARY CANDLE W.B 3RD NOVEMBER

The sanctuary candle in our church this week will be lit for the following families or individuals

St Robert's
The Hewson Family



RCIA (JOURNEY OF FAITH)



The RCIA (Journey of Faith program) is offered to those who wish to become Catholic and be part of the parish community or for those who are already Catholic & wish to deepen their understanding of the Catholic faith. It will be run on a partnership level.

The next session at **St Robert's** is on **Saturday 16th November** from **11 am -12.30 pm.**

For more details see the poster on the church noticeboard.

NOVEMBER - MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

If you wish to have a family member, friend or loved one remembered & prayed for at Mass during the month of November, envelopes marked 'Month of the Holy Souls - November Remembrance' will be available at the back of church

Please fill in the relevant details in block capitals & return **as soon as possible**

Return to Judith, Liz, Cecilia or Mel or Fr Mariadass

FATHER JOHN—THANKSGIVING MASS

Fr John will be celebrating a special **Thanksgiving Mass** in **St Robert's Church** on **Tuesday 19th November** at **6.30 pm.**

Light refreshments will be served in the Narthex afterwards when Fr John will be presented with a cheque. You are all warmly invited to celebrate with Fr John. Please note that Mass will be in church that evening.

PLEASE KEEP THOSE WHO ARE SICK AND THEIR CARERS IN YOUR PRAYERS ESPECIALLY:

Anne Bailey, Linda Rowe, Pat Kennedy, Muriel Thompson, Maureen McGrahan, Jim Newcombe, Kay Bowman, David Hutchinson, Josie Hastie, Sheila Sharpe, Ann Brown, Peter Wilson, Kevin Milburn, Eileen Spraggon, George Thornton, Paula Coyne, Irene Brotherton, Francesca Dixon, Terry Wright, Dorothy Okoh, Sylvia Stevenson, Siobhan Daly, Vivienne Iqbal, Rosemary Green, Tony Knox, Rosemary Burke, Tom Dudley, Michael Temperley, Kath Wood, John Emmerson, Norma Charlton



MASS TIMES IN OUR PARTNERSHIP

English Martyrs

Sunday 9.30 am
Weekdays Wednesday 10 am, Friday 10 am

St Bede's Denton Burn

Sunday 9.30 am
Weekdays Wednesday 10 am

St George's Bell's Close

Saturday (Vigil Mass) 6 pm
Weekdays Friday 10.00 am

St John Vianney West Denton

Sunday 11 am
Weekdays Tuesday 6.30 pm, Wednesday 10 am,
Friday 6.30 pm, Saturday 10 am

St Mark's Westerhope

Saturday (Vigil Mass) 4.30 pm
Weekdays Tuesday 10 am, Friday 10 am

St Cuthbert's Kenton

Sunday 11 am
Weekdays Thursday 11.15 am

St Cuthbert's Throckley

Sunday 9.30 am
Weekdays Thursday 10 am,

St Matthew's Ponteland

Sunday 10 am
Weekdays (as announced in the newsletter)

WELCOME FR JOSEPH

We extend a warm welcome to Fr Joseph who will be staying with us for the next two months. He will be launching an appeal for the Carmelite Missions while he is here. If anyone who would like to donate to the appeal, then please approach Fr Joseph, Fr Mariadass, or get in touch with the Parish Office. All contributions & donations will be greatly accepted & appreciated.

PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF



Catherine Harrison who died last week. Catherine was a parishioner of St Robert's for many years & attended the Lunch Club at St Robert's.

Shelagh Mary Souter who was originally from Fenham & who died recently. Shelagh's Funeral Service will take place this coming **Wednesday 6th November** at **11 am** at **St Robert's**. Please keep the family, friends & loved ones of Catherine & Shelagh in your thoughts and prayers. May they rest in peace.

ANNIVERSARIES OF THOSE WHO HAVE DIED 3RD —9TH NOVEMBER

- Stanley Banks, Jean Markey, Jenny Robson, Elizabeth (Betty) Johnson
- Humphrey Cook, James Alan Sutcliffe, Jack Ashley Raymond Owens-Cairns
- Alex Thompson, Shirley Ann McIver, Anne Fitzsimmons, George Armstrong
- Marie Pearson, Rose Weightman, Michael Blake-Smith, Jamie Spence, Grant Aitchison
- Ron Gray, Celia Johnston
- Michael & Mary McWilliams, John Bryan, Gerald Patrick Thompson, Mary Jarron, Rose Ann Sant
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READERS' DAY

A day for readers of all levels of experience to explore the new translation of the Lectionary will be held on

Saturday 23rd November at St Aloysius, Hebburn, NE31 1BE

For more information and to book, please visit:

bit.ly/LiturgyCoursesAndEvents.

BAPTISM PREPARATION COURSE

The next Baptism preparation course for those wishing to have their children baptised will be on **Sun 3rd Nov at St Cuthbert's Kenton** from **3 pm—4.15 pm**.



NEWMAN TYNESIDE CIRCLE

Newman Tyneside Circle invites you to come and hear Veronica Whitty speak about 'Driving Mother Teresa'.

The meeting will be at **Holy Name Parish Hall, Jesmond, Newcastle**, on **Thursday 14th November** at **2.30pm**.

Veronica Whitty is an award-winning journalist & author who went to South India & spent two years working in a Hindu orphanage. She later returned to India & worked for Mother Teresa's nuns in Kolkata. Back in London, she maintained her connection with the Missionaries of Charity, driving their minibus for three decades. She has written about her life in "Enjoying the Journey: An Autobiography". She now lives in Wallsend.

ST ROBERT'S PIETY STALL

St Robert's piety stall has a wide selection of Christmas cards & gifts. If you want anything in particular, please have a look as there are limited stocks.



REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY - 10TH NOVEMBER



At Mass next Sunday, we will remember all those who have died in conflict & in the cause for peace.

If you have family members, who have sadly died in either of the two World Wars or any conflict since & you would like their names

included at the reading of the Roll of Honour on Remembrance Sunday, please send them in with the name of the conflict & their regiment.

Please hand them in to one of the welcomers.

MASS IN SCHOOL (SACRED HEART PRIMARY)

The **9.30 am** morning Mass on **1st Thursday** of each month (term time only) will be held in the Primary School.

Dates for this term will be **7th November & 5th December**. All parishioners are welcome to attend.

MONILE MOSE!



Hello from Cath Batey, Mzati & everyone in Kazomba Village, near Mzimba, Northern Malawi.... Everybody sends their love & there are so many fantastic tales to tell from the last year or so....

Cath will be at **11 am** Mass this **Sunday 3rd November** for a quick update of what's happening. The best news is that the new school is finished & up & running!

Thank you to everybody who has contributed.

We have a little problem though.....& we think you can help.

We are victims of our own success! Our school is about 3 times bigger than the old nursery school & on the day we opened more than 3 times the number of children turned up. We now have 6 teachers (up from 3!) & lots of mouths to feed for breakfast club & if we can afford it, a meal before they go home.

It costs about £1 donation per month to support one little one for a month and £10 per month to fund a teacher for a month.

HOW CAN WE HELP?

Donations are the heart of this project. Team Kazomba has transferred funds monthly since 2014 & that's why we've been so successful.

Please consider setting up a small monthly payment- it

Malawi Account 1

R Kane/C Batey

Coop bank

08-93-00

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Malawi Account 2

D Harrison/C Batey

Santander

09-01-29

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helps Team Kazomba to plan ahead & gives the school a little security.

We have two UK accounts you can use & an ongoing fundraising page.

Or https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/catherine-batey?utm_term=xzyvbp8Ne

Thank you- however you choose to support us-yewo chomene- from your brothers and sisters.

You are always in their hearts.

"When we attend to the needs the poor, we give them what is theirs, not ours." St Gregory

Diocesan Job Vacancies

The Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle is looking to appoint to the following vacancies:

Deputy Director of Education – Full-time, term-time.
Closing date: 6th November.

Finance Manager – Full-time.
Closing date: 8th November.

Both roles are based in the Diocesan Offices in Newcastle.

Please visit www.diocesehn.org.uk/job-vacancies for full details or contact us on 0191 243 3301



**Based on the gospel for Sunday 3rd November
Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time:
Mark 12:28-34**

“Which is the first of all the commandments?”

This scripture passage is a call each day to listen to God. An affirmation that God should be at the very centre of a person's existence. Christ says that you should love God with all your heart, mind, soul and strength. This is a call to hear from the innermost place of truth.

The next commandment is to love your neighbour as yourself. Namely treat others as you would like to be treated. Particularly the stranger, or those who are underprivileged or disadvantaged.

Therefore, Jesus is summing up the ten commandments of the Old Testament into just these two commandments. Keeping these two commandments is required instead of burnt offerings and sacrifice.

Today that means putting God at the very centre of everything and everyone you encounter. There is no need to barter or grovel for God's favours, he is always with us.

CAFOD

Dear Lord,
help us to keep you at the centre of our existence each day.
Help us to listen and guide us in your mercy.
Amen..

GRAND CHRISTMAS FAYRE
The Little Sisters of the Poor, Newcastle are having a Christmas Fayre next **Saturday 9th November** from **12pm — 3pm.**
There are lots of stalls, including home baking, Santa's Grotto, & Arts & Crafts.
All are welcome so please come along & support.

Raffle Prizes!
Christmas Gifts
Refreshments
Santa's Grotto
Arts and Crafts
Bottle Stall
Home Baking & Jams
tombola

St Robert's

ST ROBERT'S CHURCH HALL
Hall bookings are restricted to parishioners, regular groups, and commercial organisations only.
Anyone wishing to enquire about booking St Robert's Hall, please email strobert.newcastle@diocesehn.org.uk

CHRISTMAS SOCIAL EVENING 13TH DECEMBER
St Roberts are hosting a Christmas Social evening with great singer Larry Paige.
Songs from the decades along with Bingo and a raffle.
Tickets on sale from November at a charge of **£5.00**
All proceeds will go towards **SVP Christmas Appeal.**



ST ROBERT'S CAFÉ
The café is back running this coming **Tuesday 5th November**
There will be a raffle during December in aid of the SVP Christmas Appeal. It will be drawn on Friday **13th December.**
Tickets will be on sale before Sunday Mass & in the café towards the end of November
If you wish to donate a prize, that will be gratefully



ST ROBERT'S LUNCH CLUB
The lunch club is open to everyone including parishioners from English Martyrs, St Cuthbert's, St Bede's & St Georges.
If you would like to enjoy a delicious home cooked lunch, tea/coffee, good company, a quiz and a game or two of bingo, please do get in touch with St Robert's.
It would be lovely if some of you could join us.
Our next lunch will be on **7th November** from **11 am— 1.30 pm.**
Look forward to seeing you then.



St Cuthbert's

COFFEE AFTER MASS AT ST CUTHBERT'S
Tea/Coffee is available after the Sunday & Thursday Mass/ Eucharistic Service in the Parish Room.



English Martyrs

HALL BOOKINGS
For hall bookings at English Martyrs, please contact Billy on **0191 243 1366** between **9 am & 5 pm.**

MORNING COFFEE
Tea coffee & biscuits are available each **Sunday** after **9.30 am** for a small charge
Coffee is also available after **10 am** Mass every Wednesday.

