

Masses, Devotions and Services

	St Bede's Church Bedlington	St Robert of Newminster Church Morpeth
Saturday 30th June	5.00pm The Rosary 5.00pm—5.20pm <i>Confessions</i> 5.30pm Vigil Mass: People of Parish	
Sunday 1st July 13th Sunday B		9.00am Mass: Helen & Douglas Cone 11.00am Mass: The Davison Family 6.00pm Mass: Brian Marshall
Monday 2nd July Weekday	10.00am Mass: Charlotte Heron	8.30am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9.00am The Angelus 9.15am Service of Word and Communion
Tuesday 3rd July St Thomas	10.00am Service of Word and Communion	8.30am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9.00am The Angelus 9.15am Mass: Intentions of Bishop Peter Doyle (Golden Jubilee) (CWL)
Wednesday 4th July St Elizabeth of Portugal	10.00am Mass: Richard & Lucie Cotman	8.30am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9.00am The Angelus 9.15am Service of Word and Communion
Thursday 5th July St Anthony Zaccharia	10.00am Service of Word and Communion	8.30am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9.00am The Angelus 9.15am Mass: No Intention 12noon: Funeral Service: Pauleen Slaughter 7.00pm Divine Mercy Devotions
Friday 6th July St Maria Goretti	10.00am Mass: Francis Neary	8.30am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9.00am The Angelus 9.15am Service of Word and Communion
Saturday 7th July Weekday	5.00pm The Rosary 5.00pm—5.20pm <i>Confessions</i> 5.30pm Vigil Mass: Special Intention (sick person)	9.40am: The Rosary 10.00am Mass Dorothy Marr 12noon Wedding Service for Marie Watson and Simon Yeoman
Sunday 8th July 14th Sunday B		9.00am Mass: Sheila Brown 11.00am Mass Mary & George Armstrong 6.00pm Mass: No Intention

The Pope's Intention for July

Evangelization: Priests and their Pastoral Ministry That priests, who experience fatigue and loneliness in their pastoral work, may find help and comfort in their intimacy with the Lord and in their friendship with their brother

Diocesan and Local Support for Refugees

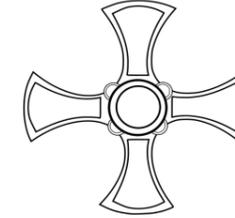
West End Refugee Centre are currently supporting a large group of men who desperately require toiletries and footwear. If you can help, please leave contributions in the church porch. A number of refugees from Ashington will also be using the Parish Hall at St Robert's, as they will be attending the 'Picnic in the Park' on Sunday 15th July. The Hall will be used throughout the day from morning through to 3pm.



Becoming an Altar Server

We invite all our young people to consider fulfilling the role of an Altar Server at Mass. Anyone who has celebrated their First Holy Communion and is coming to Mass every week is asked to think if they could take on this important ministry in church. We need servers to assist at Mass and to help with the setting up and tidying up. If interested please speak to Fr Peter or Deacon Stephen and John Kinghorn (at St Robert's).

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Sunday 1st July 2018 | Thirteenth Sunday B

Most of us struggle to make the most of our lives and often not as successfully as we would like. We worry about finding the right partner, we worry about our children, we worry about illness and we worry about money. We have learned from an early age that it isn't life itself that is important but how we fill our lives. But even having realised this every important fact, we still strive to live longer lives rather than better lives.

When we read how Jesus cured and even brought people back from the dead, we notice one very important similarity, Jesus doesn't just add years to people's lives, he changes lives. He doesn't change their lives in the way winning the lottery might change one's life. He doesn't grant a fairy tale happy ending with the wave of a magic wand, rather he makes his subjects whole and complete and ready to live life with a new outlook.

Both the woman and the family in today's story must have felt that life had slipped through their fingers. The woman who had suffered haemorrhaging for twelve years had reached the depths of despair. Jesus was her last and only hope. The young girl seemed beyond any help, she had already been declared dead. Jesus gave them both their lives back. Is it likely that they would have gone on living exactly as before? Probably not! There's nothing like a second chance, especially at death's door to make us re-evaluate.

The gospel call to change our lives is part and parcel of the call to faith, a faith in a God who saves lives and changes lives. Whether it be the very public faith shown today by Jairus the synagogue leader, or the very private display of faith shown by the destitute woman who touched Jesus' cloak, faith and how we make the best of life goes hand in hand. Today Jesus tells us not to fear, but only to believe.





Please pray for: The Church; A Deeper Understanding between Christians and Jews; Those who suffer Persecution, Oppression, and Denial of Human Rights; Europe; Human Life; Seafarers. Please pray for those who are sick, especially for Fr Jim Doherty; for Pauleen Slaughter of Abbots Way, Morpeth whose Funeral Service will be held in St Robert's Church on Thursday; Irene Pitzschel of Oldgate Court, Morpeth whose Funeral Service will be held on 13th July 11.45am; for all who have died recently and for all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Offertories and Collections: 23rd / 24th June
St Bede's: £205.00 / St Robert's: £753.96

Welcome

If you are new to our parishes or are a visitor to Bedlington or Morpeth and attending one of our churches this weekend, we hope you feel very welcome amongst us

Peter Pence

The Annual Collection, "Peter's Pence" will be taken TODAY. This collection is used by the Holy Father Pope Francis for his Charitable purposes. www.vatican.va/roman_curia/secretariat_state/obolo_spietro/documents/actual_en.html



Sea Sunday Collection

There will be a Retiring Collection NEXT SUNDAY 8th July, Sea Sunday, for the Apostleship of the Sea. Special envelopes from the Apostleship of the Sea will be available for Gift Aid Donations.



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

We have adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every morning at St Robert's Church from 8.30am—9am and at St Bede's on a Friday morning from 9.15am—9.50am. These moments of prayer are important for the church and for us as we gather to pray for all our needs.



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 every Sunday morning.



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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, available on the front of this newsletter or to paulinenc2012@gmail.com

St Robert's SVP

The next meeting of St Robert's SVP will be on Wednesday 4th July. If you feel you could become a member of the SVP and help in their works of charity to the poor, the needy and the sick, come along to the next meeting.

Brinkburn Youth Ministry Coordinator Meeting

There is an information evening for all interested in youth ministry in the Brinkburn Partnership at St Robert's Parish Hall on Thursday 5th July at 7pm. If you would like to find out more, ask questions, get involved in youth ministry, or meet others who are also interested, please come along. No prior notice is needed and refreshments will be provided.

Edge and Life Teen Programmes

'Edge' is the Middle School version of 'Life Teen', a faith journey for young people. We hope to be able to run Edge for our Middle School aged children beginning in September. As we now have NO CATHOLIC MIDDLE SCHOOL EDUCATION, for our children in Morpeth, this provision is important for those who wish their children to continue with some catholic faith input, but it will be open to all children of this age. We hope to run Life Teen beginning in January, once the Confirmation Course has been completed. Of course, these things cannot happen all by themselves. We need parishioners to come forward and help organise these with Thomas our Youth Coordinator. Please spread the word, and encourage our young parents and anyone who wishes to get involved, to come along on Thursday July 5th to learn more.

YMT Invitation

All those concerned about how we can support young people on their faith journey are invited to a 'Co-Workers' Meeting at the Emmaus Village on Sunday 8th July at 3.00pm (tea, coffee and cake from 2.15pm). YMT will present a number of opportunities including the national 'Flame' event which happens in March 2019 and this will also be a time to share good practice with people from other parts of the diocese. Please let YMT know if you are going, on 01207 592244 or admin@ymt.org

Celebration of Confirmation

We will be celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation in December. Preparation will begin after the Summer holidays and we will work together with all the parishes of our Partnership. We will soon have forms available so that those who will be in Year 9 (and above) in September can complete them if they wish to be confirmed. We will also need a team of volunteers to help with the preparation, so have a think about whether you can be involved in a Partnership Confirmation Team for preparation. We have not yet confirmed where the preparation will take place nor where the Mass of Confirmation will be celebrated within our Partnership.



Family Fun Day and Picnic (Weather permitting)



We are holding a Family Fun Day on Sunday 8th July on St Robert's church field and the garden area adjacent to the Church, from 1.30pm until about 4.00/4.30pm. A selection of games and activities will be available for the children. However, the picnic is left to you. The parish bar-b-que will be available for you to cook your own food. It would be helpful if you could let us know if you intend to come by signing the form at the back of church. It would also be helpful if anyone who is interested in giving a helping hand, would also be available and you are asked to contact Elizabeth Dixon.

Baptism Preparation

The next meeting for Baptism Preparation will be held at St Bede's Church at Bedlington on Thursday 19th July at 6.30pm. Any parents wishing to organise a Baptism should make an appointment to discuss this with Fr Peter or Deacon Stephen and to book a place at the meeting. For Baptism, one parent of the child to be baptised must be a baptised Catholic. Attendance at Mass on a Saturday evening or a Sunday is expected. One of the godparents is also expected to be a practising Catholic. We ask parents to attend the Baptism Preparation meeting. After this meeting, the parents should then make an appointment to fix a date for a Baptism. PLEASE NOTE; dates are not usually given before the Baptism Preparation Meeting.

"Faith in Action" Award

"Faith in Action Award" is a national Catholic award scheme for all young people in school years 6-11, encouraging young people to reflect on their faith and how to put it into action, and it can be carried out in both school and parish groups. Two training sessions will take place for those who would like to run the Award: on Thursday 5th July from 7pm-8.30pm St Aloysius Parish Hall, Hebburn; and on Friday 6th July 1.30pm-3pm at St Joseph's Catholic Academy, Hebburn. If you are interested in this please contact Fr Peter before contacting YMT to book a place please on the preparation, (contact admin@ymt.org). More information on <https://cymfed.org.uk/faithinaction/>

Partnership Communications Meeting

There will be a Meeting on Monday 9th July at 7pm at St Robert's Presbytery, to discuss Partnership Communications, including developing Facebook and website ages as well as how to improve our Partnership Newsletter. All those who are interested are invited along. It would be helpful if those coming could let Fr Peter know in advance

St Robert's Bonus Ball

The 6th draw for the CWL Bonus Ball was on Saturday 24th June. The lucky winners receiving £25 with bonus ball number 53 were: Ann Owens and John Shepherd. Good luck for the next draw.

Liturgy and Worship Meeting

There will be a Liturgy and Worship Group Meeting at St Robert's on Monday 2nd July at 7pm.

Partnership Changes Announced

Full details of all the changes that were announced for our Partnership, are available on a sheet at the back of Church. These changes come into effect on the weekend of Saturday 1st/Sunday 2nd September 2018.

Getting involved with our music at Mass

Do you play an instrument? Do you like singing? Would you like to get more involved with the music we provide at our Masses. Please speak to Fr Peter if interested. At St Robert's our singers and musicians are to begin meeting together on a Wednesday evening at 7pm in preparation for the changes in September. We also want to try and learn a few new things, for example, a new Mass setting for 9am Mass. Come along, join in and get involved. Let off a bit of steam and sing along and play. Is there anyone at St Bede's who can play the organ or any other musical instrument... if so could you commit to playing at St Bede's, perhaps not every week, but even occasionally. When the music at Mass is good and sung well, people feel uplifted. Can you help us make our Masses musically uplifting by your support?



Donations for the Nicole Rich Foundation

Very many thanks to everyone who has contributed to the fundraising for the Nicole Rich Foundation over the last couple of months at St Bede's Church. The amount raised is:

Private donation	£200
Raffle	£327.90;
Saturday Coffees + Quiz	£1294.01
Churches Together cheque	£300
Knitting project	£210

So in total we raised £1,821.91 in Church and the grand total has come to £2331.91 which will be passed onto the family towards the care they give to the two girls. An incredible effort and thanks to everyone who has supported this cause.

Willing DIY-ers!

There are times when little jobs crop up that need to be done, but not big enough to call in the professionals!! If anyone is willing to be available for small DIY jobs that crop up at St Robert's, please let Bernadette Rich know if you are happy to have your name on a list on DIY-ers for St Robert's Church.

