The Catholic Parish of
St. John Henry Newman
The churches of the English Martyrs & St. Monica

COR AD COR LOQUITUR

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Fifth Sunday of Easter - 2nd May 2021

Sunday B, Weekday 1, Psalter Week1

Dear Parishioners,

When I was ordained, I was presented with my ordination vestment two other chasubles. One red and the other green. They were all designed by an Irish lady, and my set of vestments were the last she made. Reflecting on today's Gospel, I can't help but think about the "green" chasuble, some have you have seen me wearing it. On the chasuble is a frontal design of Celtic knot work, all entangled together, seemingly (I'm yet to find it) with no beginning or end.

In today's Gospel, we are encouraged to imagine ourselves as the vines. Vines growing within and with Jesus, it is as if we are being invited to entangle ourselves with him. Again and again He invites us to "remain with Him", and it is in this being with Him, entangling ourselves with Him, and having Him dwell within us that we truly share His life.

"*Whoever remains in me, with me in him, bears fruit in plenty".*

Perhaps the goal of Christian life, on earth, is to unite ourselves tightly with Jesus Christ; entangling or knotting - like that Celtic knot on my chasuble - ourselves with Him, so that we may see no beginning or end, and yet bear fruits of faith, love and charity. As the Gospel reminds us:

"*As a branch cannot bear fruit all by itself, but must remain part of the vine, neither can you unless you remain in me."*

May God continue to bless you and your families in this Easter Season.

Fr. Kieren

JOB OPPORTUNITY

The Governors of St. Monica's RC Primary School are looking to appoint a Teaching Assistant who will fully embrace the Catholic nature of our school and work within our established and successful nursery.

The successful applicant must hold a full and relevant Level 3 qualification. Further information can be found on the school website:

https://st-monicas-primary.secure-primarysite.net/job-opportunities-at-st-monicas/

		English Martyrs' Church (EM) St. Monica's Church (SM)
Tues **9.30am**	**4**	The English Martyrs - Feast No Public or livestreamed Mass
Wed **9.30am**	**5**	No Public or livestreamed Mass
Thurs **11.00am**	**6**	Requiem Mass - EM - Barbara Jones
Fri **10.30am**	**7**	Mass - SM - Livestreamed
Sat **10.00am** **11.00am** **5.30pm**	**8**	Confessions - EM Mass - EM - Livestreamed Vigil Mass - SM
Sun **9.30.am** **11.30am** **1.30pm**	**9**	**6th Sunday of Easter** Mass - SM - Livestreamed Mass - SM Baptism

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME CORNER

Introduction to Confession: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dgEhqvydsK0

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a4K4M0TjiSc

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YiVjwlUO9Sc

Catechesis with Fr. Kieren: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JyQ0SW-dL2k

How to go to Confession: https://www.dropbox.com/s/kyrgws7hjxgl95i/guide%20to%20confession%20easy.pdf?dl=0

Please watch the following 4 videos on *Understanding the Mass* these will help your child (and hopefully remind you) make the connection between the *I belong* books and the importance of the Mass (Eucharist) for all Catholics.

https://youtu.be/l7fix1hlJB0

https://youtu.be/U5CWIrlzPq0

https://youtu.be/ENg2ZSLhrZk

https://youtu.be/cd_o_xXMXWs

Dates for your diaries:

The Celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday 11th May, OLOR cohort (6.30pm) - St. Monica's church
Wednesday 12th May, EM cohort (6.30pm) - English Martyrs' church
Thursday 13th May, SM cohort (6.30pm) - St. Monica's church

The dates for 1st Holy Communion are as follows:

3rd July - Noon - (English Martyrs' cohort)
10th July - Noon - (Our Lady of the Rosary cohort)
17th July - Noon - (St. Monica's cohort)

Masses & Prayers

Lately Dead

Requiescat in pace

Gerry Murray, Martin Haugh, K Buckley, Anne Tumbelty

Intention

all NHS workers, a special intention

Anniversaries Masses

John McPhillips, Nora and Harry Howard, James Coulson

Sick

Maureen O'Connor, Judith Lee, Marie Burns, Bridget Caunce, Nicholas Behan, Michael Donnelly, David Brock, Michelle Clegg, Sylvia King, Maureen Whalley, Kath Royle, Kathleen Connors, Maureen McCarthy, Sandra Brady, Nuala O'Dwyer, Jean Nelson, Bridget Rigby, Jeanette Meakin, Josephine Riley, Stan Reid, Jean Black, Kevin Walsh, John Hartey, Theresa Patrick, Kevin Walsh, Ann Nothard, Bernard Walker, Denis Graham

Sanctuary Candles

Those preparing for their GCSE's

GETTING MARRIED IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

In order to get married in the Catholic Church 6 months notice must be given.

If you have been married outside the Church and would like to have the civil marriage convalidated, please contact Fr. Kieren for further information.

Please keep in your prayers those who will be sharing the Sacrament of marriage this year:

Leighann and Ryan, Rachael & Danny, Aoife & Paul, Elizabeth & James, Jessica & Matthew, Courtney & John Paul, Elizabeth & Stuart, Rebecca & Matthew

"And that is what marriage is! Hand in hand, always and for the rest of your lives".

Pope Francis

A COUPLE OF DAYS OFF I will be away until Thursday morning and the Office will be closed until Wednesday.

FIRST RECONCILIATION please note (in Sacramental Programme Corner) that the dates for the celebration of the sacrament of Confession for the children on the Sacrament Programme have now been confirmed.

HOLY COMMUNION TIES if your child is on the sacramental programme and you would like me to order them a Holy Communion tie, please email me directly before the end of May. Fr. K

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION Please note the (provisional) dates and times for Catechesis and the celebration of the sacrament of Confirmation:
All Catechesis will take place in the Parish Centre at 6.30pm.

(1) 30th September - Introduction
(2) 14th October - The meaning of Life/Living life to the full
(3) 4th November - Unlocking the Holy Spirit
(4) 18th November - What's in a name?
(5) 2nd December - Being a Disciple.
(6) Celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation - Saturday 11th December - 1.00pm (English Martyrs' Church).

CORNERSTONE BIG SLEEPOUT (Restrictions permitted) Friday, 17th September at Xaverian College, Lower Park Road, Rusholme, Manchester M14 5RB. Our current plan is for a 'hybrid' event with some people being physically present on the college grounds while others are supporting us from their homes, by not sleeping in their own bed. If you want to take part but haven't already registered your interest for either the physical or virtual (at home) event, please do so here: **https://cornerstonecds.org.uk/big-sleepout/** To start gathering support and to raise as much sponsorship as you can, we encourage you to please set up a JustGiving page: **https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/BigSleepOut2021** This is Cornerstone's major fundraising event and your support means that we can continue to provide practical help and intensive 1:1 support for people who are street homeless or 'sofa-surfing,' and those without the security of a permanent home. To experience just a fraction of the challenges of what it is like to sleep rough for just one night and to help those who live this reality every day – we need you! This is a vital event, which we are committed to holding, as a way of introducing more people to the plight of homelessness and advocating for an end to it.

ALL SAINTS BARTON Franciscan Friars to celebrate the First Saturday devotion to Mary Immaculate. It starts on 1st May at 2pm and on every following First Saturday with Adoration, rosary. Mass is celebrated at 3pm. The entrance to the beautiful Pugin Church is from the back door through the gardens. Strict Covid guide lines are observed.

ALTAR SERVER RECRUITMENT as a Parish we are very lucky to have a wonderful team of Altar Servers. Obviously and sadly, due to the pandemic the activity of the servers has been limited. However, now there seems to be some light at the end of the tunnel, I would like to begin to recruit for new members to our team. If you have made your Holy Communion and would be interested in joining, please contact Fr. K.

CURRENT ALTAR SERVERS I'm hoping to soon invite you back to share and celebrate your ministry. If you are a little worried about coming back this video might help: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mUkd7NT12Kc

WALSINGHAM'S MAY ROSARY Walsingham invite people from Dioceses across England and Wales to pray the May Rosary for the following intentions: Protecting our families and the family of nations, especially in this Year of St Joseph. A deepening of faith, hope and love and the protection of life. Peace in the world. Deliverance from Coronavirus; for those working for a cure; for those who have died; for those who are suffering and those who care for them. The designated Rosary Hour for the Diocese of Salford for the National Rosary Relay Rally on Sunday May 30th is from 1pm to 2pm. All are welcome to join along in prayer.

Day of Prayer for the Victims and Survivors of Abuse On Thursday 6th May at Salford Cathedral Bishop John will celebrate Mass for Survivors of Abuse. The Mass will begin at 7pm and is open to all. It will also be streamed on church stream Watch the Salford Cathedral Livestream here: www.churchservices.tv/salfordcathedral.

POTENTIAL FOUNDATION GOVERNORS as a Parish we are blessed with three wonderful Primary Schools . I'm always on the look out to identify future foundations governors. If you might be interested in the future please contact Fr. Kieren. To learn more about the role click on the following link: https://www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/education/school-governors/

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES FOR THE NEW TAX YEAR due to the pandemic and current lockdown restrictions new boxes can be collected from St. Monica's church this weekend. If you would like to collect your boxes from English Martyrs' church please ring the Parish Office and collection will be arranged. Many thanks for your continued support to the Parish. Fr. K

YOUNG ADULTS - AN EVENING WITH AUSTEN IVEREIGH Thursday 13th May 2021 7pm – 9pm. Austen is the co-author of Pope Francis' latest book: "Let Us Dream: The Path to a Better Future". In it the Pope sets out his vision on how to create a better world as we emerge from the crisis that we have been living through. He sees this crisis as having meaning for us and inviting us to new ways of thinking and doing things. The first 20 young adults to register will receive a free copy of the book! To register or for more information, please email: formation@dioceseofsalford.org.uk

GOING INTO HOSPITAL? If you or a loved one have to go into hospital, and wish a chaplain to visit, please note that due to data protection, **a member of the FAMILY must request A CATHOLIC CHAPLAIN** via the nurse station. Sadly not all hospitals offer the same provision. Unfortunately due to visiting restrictions the Parish Priest is unable to visit during the pandemic.

Sung Vespers at Salford Cathedral Since the beginning of Lent and continuing each week, our Cathedral Choral Scholars will lead us in communal prayer as we sing the Office of Vespers each Tuesday and Thursday evening at 5pm. Those watching online can participate safely and fully from home by visiting the homepage of the cathedral website. www.salfordcathedral.co.uk

CARITAS VACANCIES a number of employment opportunities have arisen:

1. Director
2. Bank Support Worker (Morning Star)
3. Social Workers (Caritas Schools' Service)

If you are interested please find further details at: https://www.caritassalford.org.uk/careers/

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The Code of Canon Law states:
"Parents are obliged to see to it that infants are baptised within the first weeks after birth"
(867)

This canon, although not always practical for many reasons, reminds us of the importance and urgency of the sacrament of Baptism. **As a Parish within the Diocese of Salford we follow the Diocesan Baptism Policy.** In order for a baby/child (under the age of 7) to be baptised, the Catholic family, (resident in the Parish of St. John Henry Newman) if not already practising their faith, must begin to attend Sunday Mass for a minimum of at least 6 weeks before a baptism date can be discussed.

To discuss this further please contact Fr. Kieren or speak to him after Sunday Mass. After confirmation of a date for Baptism, a Preparation meeting must be arranged.

TO BOOK TO ATTEND SUNDAY MASS IN THE PARISH OF ST. JOHN HENRY NEWMAN

Please email or phone the Parish Office. The deadline is Wednesday afternoon. Please do not ring Amanda or book for Mass outside office hours (front of the newsletter). **If you make a booking you will only get a response if you have NOT been successful. All offertory donations should be placed in the baskets.**

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VINE BRANCH FRUIT PRUNES
WORD HOME PLENTY THROWN
FIRE BURNT GLORY DISCIPLES

"When one is intimate with the Lord, as the vine and the branches are intimate and united between them, one is capable of bearing fruits of new life, of mercy, of justice and of peace, stemming from the Lord's Resurrection, … It's what the Saints did, those who lived the Christian life in fullness and the witness of charity because they were true branches of the Lord's vine."

Pope Francis

PARISH CENTRE

Available for all your family & social events.

For bookings of Parish Centre or Hall contact Filippa Martin 07866583870 or via email: martin_filippa@yahoo.co.uk or www.urmston_parish_centre.com

OUR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS - DIOCESE OF SALFORD

English Martyrs
Wycliffe Road, Urmston.
Head teacher: Mrs Carole Partington
(0161) 748 7257

Our Lady of the Rosary
Davyhulme Road, Urmston.
Head teacher: Miss S. Molloy
(0161)748 4626

St. Monica's
Woodsend Road South, Flixton
Head teacher: Mrs. Louise Davies
(0161) 748 3353

St. Antony's Catholic School
Bradfield Road, Urmston
Head teacher: Mrs. F. Wright
(0161) 911 8001

NEWSLETTER all items for the newsletter must be sent to Fr. K (via email) before 9.00am Thursday morning or sent to Amanda before 12.00pm Wednesday afternoon.