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

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17th Sunday of Ordinary Time (B)
25th July 2021

Dear Parishioners,

"Grandma, we love you
Grandma, we do
Though you may be far away
We think of you
There's no one quite like Grandma
And I know you will agree
That she always is a friend to you
And she's a friend to me …"

I am sure that there are many of us who can remember St. Winifred's School Choir knocking John Lennon - Happy Christmas (War is Over) - from number 1 in 1980. Our Deanery is pretty famous after all! I wonder how many of our nana's or grandmothers received that song on Christmas morning that year?

In fact, if you are of similar age to me, you may remember many programmes celebrating and perhaps taking the mick a little of our grandparents.

Who can forget those timeless classics of the late 70's and early 80's *Super Gran* & *Grandad*?

Pope Francis instigated this special day of prayer in the midst of lockdown, when many of our elderly family members were sadly deprived from the contact of their loved ones. Today we remember that those who are rich in years are still very much rich in value!

I must admit that I was struck by the words of Pope Francis:

It makes no difference how old you are, whether you still work or not, whether you are alone or have a family, whether you became a grandmother or grandfather at a young age or later, whether you are still independent or need assistance. Because there is no retirement age from the work of proclaiming the Gospel and handing down traditions to your grandchildren. You just need to set out and undertake something new.

No matter our age, we have still plenty to offer, wisdom to share and perhaps even more to do!

Today (always) lets us cherish those amongst us who are rich in years,

May God Bless you all.

Fr. Kieren

PS. Don't forget that you no longer have to book in to come to Mass!!

		English Martyrs' Church (EM) St. Monica's Church (SM)
Tues 9.30am	27	Mass - EM
Wed 9.30am	28	Mass - SM
Thurs 9.30am 11.00am	29	Mass - EM Funeral Service –SM - Pauline Hague
Fri 9.30am	30	Mass - SM
Sat 10.00am 11.00am 1.00pm 5.30pm	31	St. Ignatius of Loyola - Memorial Confession Mass Baptism Vigil Mass - SM
Sun 9.30.am 11.30am 1.30pm 2.30pm	1	*18th Sunday of Ordinary Time* Mass - EM - Livestreamed Mass - SM Baptism Baptism

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

The celebration and catechesis of this sacrament has become somewhat problematic. The Deanery has approached Yr 6 pupils via email (sadly the link doesn't seem to work for everybody!) asking them to register an interest in participating in the future. As most of the children in our Parish leave the Diocese of Salford to go Secondary school or choose to attend the local Grammar Schools or Single Sex schools (nothing wrong with that) it is difficult for me to reach out to them and to keep them clued in to Parish life.

1. Catechesis (in the Parish Centre) for young people currently in **Yr 8** will begin in September and will conclude with the celebration of the Sacra ment in Advent:

30th September - Introduction

14th October - The meaning of Life/Living life to the full

4th November - Unlocking the Holy Spirit

18th November - The joy of Christ

2nd December - Being a Disciple/What's in a name?.

11th December Celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation - 1.00pm

(English Martyrs' Church).

2. Children currently in **Yr 7** will be invited to formally enrol on the Programme in September of this year (please keep an eye on the newsletter) and Cat echesis will begin in the New Year.

3. Children currently in **Yr 6,** this is the link that was sent out: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSf5V- F k 5 l 1 5 f c 7 D n x Y 9 v 5 X y j U 5KWjEsVqNDSGtHxrZh232rCg/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&flr=0&gxids=7628

MASSES RECEIVED

Lately Dead

Requiescat in pace

Archie Martin, John Daly, Carole Ann Hogan, Kathleen Rusic, Pauline Anne Haigh, Sr. Margaret Moran

Intention

a special intention, Mary Hughes, Patrick McGuireen, Caroline Gitu, Melissa Roberts, Anne Smith

Anniversaries Masses

Emma Lynn, Lily Allen

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

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

Sanctuary Candles

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, Jessica & Matthew, Courtney & John Paul, Rebecca & Matthew

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

Pope Francis

LIFTING OF COVID RESTRICTIONS the following comes from the guidance offered by the Bishops' Conference:

- The wearing of facemasks in Church **remains mandatory** unless exempt. handsantiser will be continue to be available. There are now NO restrictions to the numbers who can attend, you may also stand, sit and yes, even kneel!
- The Sunday Obligation will be re-introduced on 1st Sunday of Advent, but we should never see Mass as an obligation but as a gift and privilege.
- Please scan the QR code as you enter either church building.
- Holy Communion will continue to be distributed under one kind.
- Altar servers and EMHC are encouraged to return. The co-ordinators will be in touch soon.
- You no longer need to book into attend Sunday Mass, and there is also no longer a cap on numbers. The 9.30am Mass will return to English Martyrs'.
- There will be no sign of peace or holy water.
- Social distancing is no longer compulsory , however, I ask that the side pews at St. Monica's be given to those who wish to continue to socially distance.
- Congregational singing and the Children's Liturgy will hopefully return in September.
- A large collection basket will remain at the back of Church for offertory donations. Although I am hoping to reintroduce the offertory collection and procession gradually.
- If you have any symptoms please stay at home!

Finally "*Bishop John is urging all adults, who are able to do so, to be vaccinated. Pope Francis has reminded people of the duty to be vaccinated if they are able. The Church is clear that all Catholics can take any of the vaccines on offer with a clear conscience. Even if you are at a low risk of becoming seriously ill, being vaccinated will lower the risk of transmitting the virus to somebody else who might then have a severe reaction or even die. It is particularly important that those in our parishes, clergy and lay-people who visit those who are housebound or otherwise vulnerable are vaccinated.*"

ALTAR SERVER RECRUITMENT will be beginning soon. Keep your eye on the Newsletter!

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME 2021-22 Registration forms can be found at the back of both churches and can also be downloaded from the Parish website and FB page, alternatively if you email me I can forward you a copy directly. Please read the forms carefully and return them this weekend after Mass to Fr. Kieren

CARITAS BISHOP'S FUND Caritas is pleased to offer the Caritas Bishop's Fund to parishes and schools to provide immediate support to families or individuals facing a crisis and now also to include food shopping vouchers. (We noted how helpful this was for families in crisis during the recent distribution of the National Lottery grant). Each school or parish may be allocated up to 6 applications per year to this Fund. To check if you and your family meet the criteria and to fill in an application form please contact Fr. Kieren.

The SVP has started meeting once a month at the new time of 6.30pm at the Parish Centre. The next meeting is on Monday 26th July. Anyone interested in joining the SVP please come along. New members are always welcome. Please contact Eileen on 0161 7475387.

JOB VACANCIES - after this year you may be looking for a new career:

PA/Senior Administrator – COO Office. The Diocese of Salford is seeking to recruit a suitability experienced individual to provide office management and oversight of the administration of the COO Office. This role will have responsibility for providing robust administrative and secretarial support to the COO and her team across all areas but particularly in relation to the IT, telephony, and Data Protection.

Personal Assistant to the Vicars General and the Secretary to the Trustees. The Diocese of Salford is seeking to recruit a suitability experienced individual to provide high quality administrative support to the Vicars General and the Secretary to the Trustees to enable them to fulfil their specific roles and wider responsibilities for the governance of the diocese. The role will require regular interaction with a wide and diverse range of individuals and the incumbent must understand that they are an ambassador for the Diocese in all their encounters.

Receptionist The Cathedral Centre is the office base for diocesan curial staff and houses the Cathedral Bookshop, Café, and conference rooms. A large number and wide variety of visitors, contractors and personnel come to the Cathedral Centre and the wider estate as a whole. The Cathedral House is adjacent to the Centre and houses some of our retired clergy. **Closing date for applications: 12 noon on Monday 26th July 2021. If you have any queries, questions can be sent to hr@dioceseofsalford.org.uk**

PRAYER FOR THE FIRST WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

I thank You, Lord, for the comfort of Your presence:
even in times of loneliness,
You are my hope and my confidence,
You have been my rock and my fortress since my youth!

I thank You for having given me a family and for having blessed me with a long life.

I thank You for moments of joy and difficulty, for the dreams that have already come true in my life and for those that are still ahead of me.

I thank You for this time of renewed fruitfulness to which You call me.

Increase, O Lord, my faith, make me a channel of your peace, teach me to embrace those who suffer more than me, to never stop dreaming and to tell of your wonders to new generations.

Protect and guide Pope Francis and the Church, that the light of the Gospel might reach the ends of the earth.
Send Your Spirit, O Lord, to renew the world, that the storm of the pandemic might be calmed, the poor consoled and wars ended.

Sustain me in weakness and help me to live life to the full in each moment that You give me, in the certainty that you are with me every day, even until the end of the age.

Amen.

Caritas Salford – 'Business Buddies' for Refugees. Caritas Salford has teamed up with TERN (The Entrepreneurial Refugee Network) and Ben & Jerry's (the well-known ice cream manufacturer) to launch the Ice Academy for the first time in Manchester. This is a project to support refugees in developing business ideas and starting their own business in Greater Manchester by connecting them to the experts, programmes and support they need to move forward. As a result, Caritas is searching for 15 volunteer 'business buddies' interested in social innovation and with some business/public sector experience or a professional services background. You will offer your expertise, guidance and advice as our entrepreneurs develop and test their business ideas. For more information and to express an interest, please contact Amir by email at a.raki@caritassalford.org.uk or call/text to 07477 926517.

PRAYERS FOR VOCATIONS can I encourage you in this month of July to continue to pray for vocations to the Priesthood and Religious life. Perhaps you might consider joining the Serra Association. Please remember especially in your prayers Bishop John and of the course the old "Boss" Bishop Terence.

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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BOY
FIVE
BARLEY
LOAVES
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HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY at Manchester Royal Infirmary, Saint Mary's, Manchester Children's Hospital, Manchester Eye Hospital, Trafford General and The Christie: If a relative or friend is an inpatient and would like a Catholic Chaplain to visit them for pastoral support please contact the Chaplaincy Office on 0161 276 8792.

It is the rule of the Trust that the Chaplains can only visit people who are referred to them.

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.