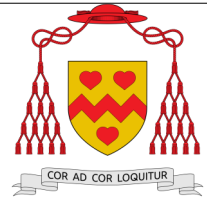




The Catholic Parish of St. John Henry Newman

The churches of the English Martyrs & St. Monica



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22nd SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (B) 29th August 2021



In the Gospel, Jesus is lamenting the fact that we have a tendency to simply go through the motions of faith, whilst not committing our hearts to God - we pay lip service, but in reality our hearts are far from Him.

To follow Jesus, is to commit our hearts to Him, my heart, and your heart to His heart. We cannot just go through the motions, clinging to traditions and doctrines, whilst our hearts remain hard.

Is your heart, is my heart, beating with His?

"Oh, that today you would hear his voice...harden not your hearts!"

May God Bless you all.
Fr. Kieren

THE SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES FOR CONFIRMATION, HOLY COMMUNION & RECONCILIATION

We will soon, as a Parish, begin the Programmes for Sacramental Preparation. For all those who have registered on the programmes please note the following two dates:



Sacramental Programme (Holy Communion) Thursday 16th September, Parent Induction Meeting- Parish Centre (6.30pm)



Sacrament of Confirmation (Yr9) Induction Meeting, Thursday 30th September - Parish Centre (6.30pm)

Please note that all who are on the programmes to complete the sacraments of initiation must attend Mass regularly and participate fully in all catechesis.

Dear Parishioners,

It is time to show my age again! (Not only do the kids today have rubbish music but in my old age I have also decided that modern TV isn't much better!) Can you remember the programme?

I was thinking about it as I reflected upon today's Gospel and the words from the prophet Isaiah quoted by Jesus ... *their hearts are far from me*. Perhaps, due to all the recent weddings, I've also been pondering the motto on the coat of arms of St. John Henry Newman *heart speaks to heart*.

		English Martyrs' Church (EM) St. Monica's Church (SM) 22nd Week in Ordinary Time - Weekday 1, Psalter Week 2	MASSES RECEIVED Lately Dead <i>Requiescat in pace</i> Bridget Counce, Sr. Margaret Magee, Mark Roberts, Mary Murphy Intention a special intention, Paul & Manisha Rice, Jonathan Cawley, Owen McKeever, Margaret Goldsmith, Gerard & Teresa Sheehy, Raymond McCabe Anniversaries Masses Kevin Flannagan, Lucy Thornton, Jessie Durham, Daniel Piercy, Betty Byrne, Bernard Bickmore PRAYERS FOR THE SICK Maureen O'Connor, Marie Burns, Nicholas Behan, Michael Donnelly, 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 Harthey, Theresa Patrick, Kevin Walsh, Ann Nothard, Denis Graham, Lou Fielding, Owen McKeever,
Tues 9.30am	31	St. Aidan & Saints of Lindisfarne (OM) Mass - EM	
Wed 9.30am	01	St. Edmond Arrowsmith, Priest & Martyr (Feast) Mass - SM	
Thurs 9.30am	02	Mass - EM	
Fri 9.30am	03	St. Gregory the Great, Pope & Doctor (Feast) Mass - SM	
Sat 10.00am 11.00am Noon 5.30pm	04	Confession Mass - EM Baptism - EM Sunday Vigil Mass - SM	
Sun 9.30am 11.30am 2.30pm	05	<i>23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time</i> Mass - EM - Livestreamed Mass - SM Baptism - EM	

Urgent Caritas Appeal - Help for those seeking sanctuary from Afghanistan

As the principal domestic social action agency of the diocese, Caritas Salford is playing a very active role in supporting Afghan nationals who have been evacuated to our diocese, the charity is working closely with Greater Manchester Combined Authority, and in collaboration with other local and national agencies, to do all it can to make the most difference. This includes collecting and providing emergency essentials, such as:

- Adult incontinence pads.
- NEW Underwear and socks for both adults and children.
- Personal hygiene products especially toothpaste, toothbrushes.
- Nappies, baby blankets, baby wipes and hygiene products for infants.
- Clothing, particularly for older children.
- Mobile phone adaptor sockets to enable refugees to charge their phones.
- Packs for new or expectant mothers including maternity clothes.
- Pushchairs.
- Scarves.
- Shoes including trainers (no football boots please).
- Outdoor toys especially balance bikes.
- Activity packs – including notepaper, pens, colouring sets.

As the project looks set to expand and evolve over time, Caritas is calling on people across the diocese to help in whatever way they can, by donating money or materials, volunteering their time, or even writing to their MP. To find out more about donating and other ways you can help, please visit <https://www.caritassalford.org.uk/afghanistan-appeal-2021/>

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 con-validated and recognised by the Church, please contact Fr. Kieren for further information.

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

Pope Francis

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

- ◆ The wearing of facemasks in Church **will be optional but strongly encouraged**. I ask that you continue to respect the well being and concern of others. There are still many who do not feel safe to return to Mass without a facemask.
- ◆ 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 or sign the sheets at the back of church
- ◆ Holy Communion will continue to be distributed under one kind, if you would like to receive the Blessed Sacrament on the tongue please come to holy communion last.
- ◆ Altar servers and EMHC are encouraged to return. The co-ordinators will be in touch soon.
- ◆ There will be no sign of peace or holy water.
- ◆ 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!**

CONGREGATIONAL SINGING I know that some of you are already humming and singing under your masks! You will be glad to know that from next Sunday you may sing during the 9.30am & 11.30am Masses, but please continue to wear your masks!!

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2022 if your child is entering Year 8 in September and have not enrolled on the programme for next year, forms are available at the back of both churches and the programme will begin in the New Year.

SVP The next meeting of the SVP is on Monday 6th September at the Parish Centre at the new time of 6.30pm. Anyone who would like to know more about the SVP please come along. You will be very welcome.

NEW READERS as more and more people are returning to Mass, It is time to hopefully invite more people to come forward and volunteer as readers. If you are interested in reading at Mass, please contact Fr. K (stressing which Mass) and I will pass on your details to the relevant co-ordinators.

NIFTY 50+ GROUP. We are planning to restart the meetings for the group on Tuesday 14th Sept at 1:00pm in the Jubilee Room (St. Monica's), it will be a normal format but to offer some protection for you we will have a basic protocol to follow for the use of the room. All welcome and we look forward to meeting up with old friends following this difficult period we have all been through. If you have not been to a 50+ group meeting before please come along and introduce yourself you will be made most welcome.

PRAYER GROUP meets every Tuesday (from September) at 7.30 pm in Jubilee Room at St Monica. Warm welcome!

TODDLER GROUP at St Monica's Jubilee Room Tracy and Pam are finally looking forward to reopen the Parent, baby and toddler group, on a Tuesday morning 9:30am-11:30am, from Tuesday 7th September, in the jubilee room. Everybody welcome

THE AUGUST BANK HOLIDAY MASS in St. Mary's Cemetery will not be taking place this year, due to the continuation of Covid-19 restrictions.

SOMETHING TO CONSIDER - POTENTIAL ALL SOULS MASS AT URMSTON CEMETERY - SHARE YOUR THOUGHTS WITH ME some of you will be aware that it is traditionally the norm to celebrate 3 Masses on All Souls Day. I was wondering if it would be good idea to approach Trafford Council and ask if there was a possibility of celebrating Mass (at Noon) at the cemetery (outside) on that day, followed by the blessing of family graves - UPDATE!! I have spoken to the staff at Urmston cemetery and they seem fine with the idea, although I still haven't had a response from Altrincham asking for permission!!!

ALTAR SERVER RECRUITMENT if you have made your 1st Holy Communion and would like to join the wonderful Parish Altar Serving Team could you ask your parents to email me (stating which Mass you would prefer to serve), and we can begin the process of getting ready to serve the Lord and his family (the Parish) in your ministry as an Altar Server ... training will be provided!

CORNERSTONE BIG SLEEPOUT (Restrictions permitted) 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>

Taking Liturgy Seriously – Online study course from the Society of Saint Gregory As part of its commitment to promote and support the liturgy of the Catholic Church, the Society of Saint Gregory will be offering a new modular study course, aimed at developing liturgical understanding. The course, which will be run in partnership with the London Jesuit Centre, starts in September and will take place via Zoom. Held over the course of one year, each module will comprise three sessions and provide a theological and historical overview, which will form the background for a deeper study of how we celebrate the liturgy today. Modules include The Paschal Mystery, Healing and Forgiveness, Initiation, Commitment and Ways of Prayer. Within each theme we will look at how we apply general principles of liturgy, how music and space affect the way we celebrate, and, above all, how we are enabling people to pray together. The course is aimed at all who wish to widen their understanding of the liturgy. For further information see www.ssg.org.uk/taking-liturgy-seriously/

INVITATION TO A SPANISH MASS Salford Cathedral, 250 Chapel Street, M3 5LE. Every third Sunday of each month at 2pm. Next mass on Sunday 19th September 2021. All are welcome to join. Refreshments will be served after mass for sharing. For further information: salfordcathedralenespanolmisa@gmail.com Mobile: 07475468128

HOME VISITS Now that many of the restrictions have been lifted. If you would like a home visit, please contact the Parish Office and a visit will be arranged.

JOBS, JOBS, JOBS

Caritas Diocese of Salford Vacancies

Housekeeper


Appointment type: 20-25 hours per week
 Location: Caritas House, Manchester, M4 4FA
 Salary: £18,328 per annum, pro rata for part-time

Housekeeper

Appointment type: 22 hours per week
 Location: Morning Star Hostel, Manchester, M4 5DG
 Salary: £18,328 per annum, pro rata for part-time
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For further information and other Caritas vacancies, please visit: <https://www.caritassalford.org.uk/careers/>

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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.



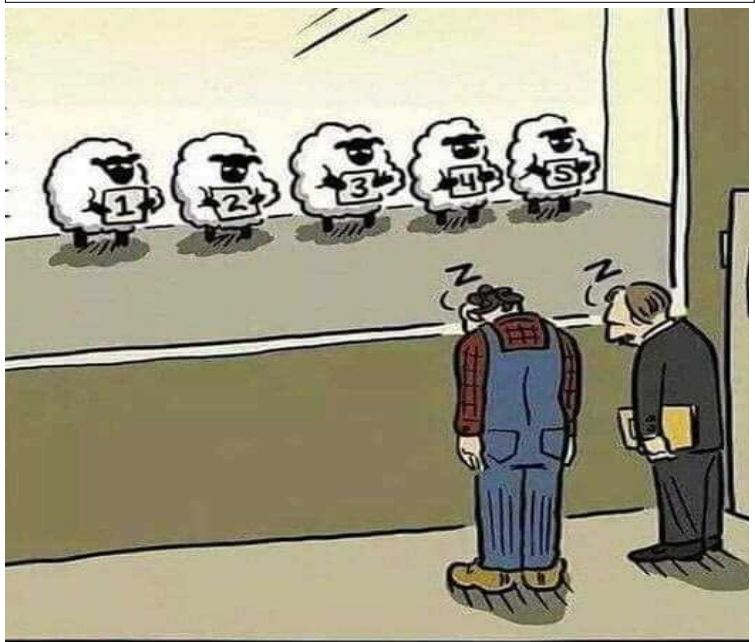
STRETFORD FOOD BANK Please place any of the above items in the grey bin at the back of church (English Martyrs).
 To donate directly then detail are as follows Stretford Food bank Co-op Bank a/c 65855834 Sort code: 089299.

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.



How Sheep Get Away With Murder

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.