



The Catholic Parish of St. John Henry Newman

The churches of the English Martyrs & St. Monica



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2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time 16th January 2022



Dear Parishioners,

Some of you may be aware of the modern wedding song by Emily Hackett *Take my Hand*. It's actually not too bad!

*"Let her take my heart and take my hand
Take my heart and take my hand
Take my heart and take my hand again and again.
Right where we stand"*

Have you ever noticed that in today's Gospel, there is no mention of the bride and groom. Everybody is too busy having a party; and the party is so good, that they actually run out of wine. And as one of the gift chaplains in our Parish Primary schools remarked to me only recently "no wine, no wedding!"

The Gospel today isn't as such a reflection about marriage but a statement that God enjoys a good party!

But I want to take a moment to reflect on those two missing people, because without the bride and groom, there would have been no party.

Just after Christmas Pope Francis wrote a short letter to married couples and those preparing to share the sacrament. His words were not controversial nor were they spectacular in any way, and yet I found myself reflecting on the following:

"... all husbands and wives "set out" from their own land at the moment when, in the response to the vocation to conjugal love, they decide to give themselves to each other without reserve ... and to set out towards the land that God promises: to be two in Christ, two in one. Your lives become a single life; you become a "we" ... You are not alone!"

The first thing Pope Francis reminds us is that marriage, the sacrament of marriage is a vocation. Yes we do have a vocation crisis there are not enough marriages in the Church!

The second thing we are reminded of is that marriage is gift. It is the giving of ones self to another - completely. It is only through the constant renewal of this gift; the deliberate decision to take the others "heart and hand" that the bride and groom become a "we". Two now one!

Finally, we are reminded that we are not alone. Just as Jesus is present at the wedding feast, through the sacrament of marriage, He too is with you. And yes, occasionally you will run out of wine, but if you remember that He is with you there is nothing to fear.

So please pray for an increase of Vocations, please pray for more marriages. Please pray for those preparing to share the sacrament together, and those who sometimes find themselves running out of wine.

You are not alone. He is with you, He is with us.

May God continue to bless you all.

Fr. Kieren

**English Martyrs' Church (EM)
St. Monica's Church (SM)
SUNDAY C, WEEKDAY 2, PSALTER WEEK 1**

Tue 9.30am 10.30am	18	Mass - EM Funeral Service - Peter Wood's - EM
Wed 9.30am	19	Mass - SM
Thurs 9.30am	20	Mass - EM
Fri 9.30am	21	Mass - SM
Sat 10.00am 11.00am 1.00pm 5.30pm	22	Confession & Adoration - EM Mass - EM Baptism - SM Vigil Mass - SM
Sun 9.30am 11.30am 1.30pm	23	3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time Mass - EM Mass - SM Baptism - EM

MASSES RECEIVED

Lately Dead
Requiescat in pace

Peter Wood, Mary O'Neill, John Flynn, Beryl Kenningley, Brendan Costello, Gary Ryan

Intention

a special intention, a private intention

Anniversaries Masses

Thomas Haugh, Daniel Gerard McGrory, Peter Caine, Bernard and Veronica McGrath, Bob Tupling, Geoffrey Lea, James Roche, Pat Windle

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Maureen O'Connor, Marie Burns, Michael Donnelly, Sylvia King, Maureen Whalley, Kathleen Connors, Maureen McCarthy, Sandra Brady, Nuala O'Dwyer, Bridget Rigby, Jeanette Meakin, Josephine Riley, Stan Reid, Jean Black, Kevin Walsh, John Hartley, Theresa Patrick, Ann Nothard, Denis Graham, Lou Fielding, Owen McKeever, Mary Tunstall, Ray Kelly, Valerie Byrne, Janet Brierley, Helen O'Hagan, Emma Coulson, Brendan Atkin, John Roberts, Ann Beisty, Marion Kerrigan

SANCTUARY CANDLES

Margaret Burke

**THE SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME
FOR
HOLY COMMUNION
& RECONCILIATION**

Please request to be accepted to the following FB Group:
St. JHN Parent Catechesis

2022

5th/6th March	1st Sunday of Lent (attendance at either 5.30pm or 11.30am Mass)
10th March	Parent Catechesis

Catechesis for: OLEM cohort (Parish centre) & SM cohort (Jubilee Room)

**THE SACRAMENT OF
CONFIRMATION
2022**

**ALL SESSIONS WILL BE HELD IN THE
PARISH CENTRE - 6.30pm**

3rd Feb.	INDUCTION
17th Feb.	The Sacraments
24th Mar.	The Christian life
21st Apr.	Vocation
12th May.	The Holy Spirit
1st June.	Living life fully
4th June.	CONFIRMATION (1.00pm St. Monica's Church)

HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY at Manchester Royal Infirmary, Saint Mary's, Manchester Children's Hospital, Manchester Eye Hospital, Trafford General and The Christie, Salford Royal or Wythenshawe: If you have a relative or friend who is an inpatient and would like a Catholic Chaplain to visit them for pastoral support please contact the Chaplaincy Office on 0161 276 8792. Please take a card from the back of Church.

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.

Congratulations to Joanne & Sean and Rebecca & Anthony who will share the sacrament together in the New Year.

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

CURRENT COVID INFO FOR CATHOLIC CHURCHES

- ◆ There is no need to book in to attend Mass.
- ◆ It is **mandatory** to wear a face mask/covering whilst in Church unless you are exempt.
- ◆ Singing continues to be allowed. However, unlike Boris the Bishops' continue to request that face masks/coverings continued to be worn even when singing.
- ◆ If you are displaying any symptoms please stay at home.
- ◆ That hand sanitiser is available to those attending the Church.
- ◆ The windows and doors will remain open during ALL Masses. Please continue to wrap up warm when attending Mass.
- ◆ Those involved in pastoral ministry which involves ministry to the housebound, sick and vulnerable, should take regular lateral flow tests to ensure they are safe to do so.



GETTING MARRIED IN 2022 If you are celebrating the sacrament of Marriage and getting married in the Parish this year, its now time to begin (or continue) your marriage preparation.

Please contact the Parish Office to make an appointment with Fr. K

EXCITING JOB OPPORTUNITY AT ENGLISH MARTYRS' PRIMARY SCHOOL - DEPUTY HEADTEACHER closing date 28th January 2022. To check out the job description please follow: www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/Deputy-Headteacher-English-Martyrs-RC-Primary-Trafford.pdf

CARETAKER AT ENGLISH MARTYRS' PRIMARY if you are interested please follow the link: <https://www.greater.jobs/search-and-apply/job-details/TF56454/>

ST. MONICA'S PRIMARY SCHOOL are looking to recruit new casual and permanent mid-day assistants (7.5 hours per week). For more information, please contact the school office on 0161 748 3353 or email: stmonicas.admin@trafford.gov.uk

ST. CATHERINE'S PRIMARY HEAD TEACHER I have been asked by our Dean Fr. John Hitchen to advertise the following vacancy: www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/Headteacher-St-Catherines-RC-Primary-Manchester.pdf

HOUSE BOUND PARISHIONERS (IN PRIVATE RESIDENCE OR IN CARE) If you would like to receive Holy Communion please contact (or have a family member) contact the Parish office in the New Year.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY we are looking to add more volunteers to the leaders rota at English Martyrs' church. If you are interested please contact Amanda via email or the Presbytery for further information.

ECT PRIMARY POOL The Primary Pool is looking for ECT candidates due to gain Qualified Teacher Status in summer 2022 to recommend for interview to Catholic schools with vacancies for September 2022. You can find out more by visiting the Diocese of Salford website at <https://www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/education/vacancies>

NIFTY 50+ The first meeting of 2022 is on Tuesday 18th Jan at 1:00pm in the Jubilee Room, all welcome. Please note that face coverings are mandatory a face mask or face shield is required.



SYNOD The Synod is themed: "For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, and Mission". You can take part by completing online using the following link. www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/3D3FXJ2. Please share this link with

family and friends. We have until 1st March 2022 to make our submissions.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2022 if you are interested in become a volunteer pilgrim or a simple pilgrim and would like to be kept updated regarding the pilgrimage in 2022, please register your interest via the website: www.salfordlourdes.co.uk



WORLD YOUTH DAY 2023 in Lisbon, young people from across the diocese will be travelling to Lisbon in 2023 to celebrate World Youth Day in the presence of Pope Francis. **Anyone aged between 16-30** by June 2023 are invited to join the Salford Diocesan Youth team in Portugal

to greet our Pope and celebrate with like-minded young adults. World Youth Day 2023 will take place 1-6 August 2023. To register please follow this link: www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/register-now-for-world-youth-day-2023-in-lisbon/

Formation Series: Synodality in the Universal Church with Sr Nathalie Becquart. Wednesday 19th January 2022, 7:30pm **Online Event Via Zoom**. Sr Nathalie is the Undersecretary of the Vatican Synod Office coordinating the Universal Synod 2021-2023. This event will take place on Zoom only. There will be chance to ask Sr Nathalie questions at the end. For more information and to register visit www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/synodality-in-the-universal-church/.

Formation Series: Local reality of the Church in Salford with Bishop John Arnold Wednesday 9th February 2022, 7:30pm - 9:00pm. Cathedral Centre and Via Zoom Register here - www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/the-local-reality-of-the-church-in-the-diocese-of-salford/

Caritas Crisis Fund January is often a very difficult time financially for so many families, and this year, there is the additional worry about increasing energy bills. If you are aware of a family in need in your schools or parish, please do consider making an application to the funds Caritas Salford has secured to be spent on alleviating poverty and helping those facing a crisis. There is a grant available from the Charity of the late Mary O'Halloran for families in need living in the wards of Manchester City Council. Applications from Caritas staff, parishes or schools via this link to the application form <https://www.caritassalford.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/TNL-Application-Form.docx> For families further afield, please download the criteria and application form for the Caritas Bishop's Fund, again applications via parishes, schools or Caritas staff. <https://www.caritassalford.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/Caritas-Bishops-Fund-Award-Criteria-and-Application-Form.docx>. If supporters wish to make a donation to any of our Caritas services, they can make it here: <https://www.caritassalford.org.uk/donate-3/>

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"Marriage is an act of will that signifies and involves a mutual gift, which unites the spouses and binds them to their eventual souls, with whom they make up a sole family - a domestic church."

Pope John Paul II Love and Responsibility



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 details 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.



Luke - A Companion on our Journey with Fr Chris Lough
Thursday 27th January 2022, 7:00pm - 8:30pm, Zoom. We will be hearing The Gospel according to Luke at Sunday Mass for much of the coming year. Fr Chris Lough will lead an introduction to this beautiful Gospel and its companion volume, the Acts of the Apostles, outlining some of the main themes and ideas to look out for over the coming weeks and months. There will also be an opportunity to work in a relaxed way with some of the wonderful stories that St Luke sets before us. To book a place and get the Zoom link, please visit - www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/st-luke-a-companion-on-our-journey/.

Salford Young Adults Retreat. Join other young adults from across our diocese with a weekend of prayer and reflection to help us better prepare for Lent.. On Saturday 26th and Sunday 27th February, young adults will be coming together at Theodore House, Stonyhurst College in Clitheroe for a special retreat to help focus the mind ahead of the Lenten season. The cost of the retreat is £40 (this has been partially subsidised) and will include bed, breakfast, lunch, and evening meal. To find out more and register your interest, please email salfordyoungadults@vol.dioceseofsalford.org.uk

Rite of Christian Initiation for Deaf Adults Provided by the St Joseph's Mission to Deaf People - Caritas Diocese of Salford St Patrick's Church, Livesey Street, Manchester, M4 5HF This is a relaxed environment to ask questions about the faith and share ideas, thoughts and experiences with other Deaf people. The sessions are delivered in British Sign Language. The Deaf Club is open 11am-3pm, BINGO at 13.30. Fr. Jim will sign Mass in the Church at 11am, 11.45 break for lunch before the 12.30 session. Starts: January 4th 2021—FREE. Sessions: First 3 Tuesdays of each month at 12:30 - 1:20 pm Bus Numbers: 18, 76, 76A, 83, 84, 112, 114, 117, 118, 156 Contact: wave@catholicdeaf.org.uk

OUR CATHOLIC PARISH AND DIOCESAN SCHOOLS
DIOCESE OF SALFORD

PRIMARY SCHOOLS

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: Mr. Mark Doherty (Acting)
(0161) 748 3353

SECONDARY SCHOOL

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

