



# The Catholic Parish of **St. John Henry Newman**

The churches of the English Martyrs & St. Monica



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## **EASTER VIGIL/SUNDAY**



Dear Parishioners,

I often find it hard to preach about Easter, I find Christmas and even Lent so much easier. When we approach Easter we have to begin at an empty space. This empty space reveals a cosmic event that draws us again to the Person we have discovered and walked with throughout the year, The Gospel at the Vigil reminds us: *"Why are you seeking the living one among the dead? He is not here, but he has been raised"*, Through the Resurrection all has changed and the Church now exists, and we as His disciples have become major actors in the drama of salvation history. We know have the responsibility of telling the world about the tomb that remains empty.

Over the next 40 days the Risen Lord, will prepare His disciples (and therefore us) to continue what He had begun; to preach and be the Gospel - the Good News that the world even today, needs to hear. He will remind them how He remains with them (Eucharist) until the end of time, strengthening and nurturing them.

He is not there, but we are not abandoned by Him.

God Bless you all - Fr. K

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

<b>Tue</b> 9.30am	19	<b>EASTER TUESDAY</b> Mass - EM
<b>Wed</b> 9.30am	20	<b>EASTER WEDNESDAY</b> Mass - SM
<b>Thurs</b> 9.30am 6.30pm	21	<b>EASTER THURSDAY</b> Mass - EM Confirmation Catechesis - Parish Centre
<b>Fri</b> 9.30am	22	<b>EASTER FRIDAY</b> Mass - SM
<b>Sat</b> 10.00am 11.00am 12.30pm 5.00pm 5.30pm	23	<b>EASTER SATURDAY</b> Confession & Adoration - EM Mass - EM Baptism - SM Confession - SM Vigil Mass - SM - Parish Appeal
<b>Sun</b> 9.30am 11.30am 1.30pm	24	<b>LOW SUNDAY</b> Mass - EM - Parish Appeal Mass - SM - Parish Appeal Baptism - SM

**MASSES RECEIVED**

**Lately Dead**

*Requiescat in pace*

Joseph Dempsey, Gerry Keeley,  
Kevin O'Connor, Pat Finnan

**Intention**

a special intention, in thanksgiving, peace in Ukraine, Patrick Joseph Flanagan - birthday memories, Holly Prince, Bridie Mortell, Janet Lavin

**Anniversaries Masses**

Thomas Piercy, Thomas O'Dowd, Andrew Towey, Michael Marlowe, Madge & Tommy Moriarity, Catherine O'Sullivan

**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, Jean Black, John Hartey, 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, John Gibbons, Bob Perry, Grace McNulty, Geoff Fitton, Geoff Martin, Janet Lavin

**SANCTUARY CANDLES**



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

FB Group: **St. JHN Parent Catechesis**

**PALM SUNDAY 9th/10th April** - Children should attend one of the Sunday (or Saturday Vigil) Masses

Families are encouraged to take part in the **WHOLE TRIDUUM** and as a *minimum* should attend Mass on Easter Sunday.

**NEXT PARENT CATECHESIS HAS BEEN CHANGED DUE TO POLLING DAY. THE NEW DATE IS TUESDAY 3rd MAY (6.30pm)**

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**

- 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 Josie & Michael, Lorna & Damien, Catherine & Gerard, Sam & Liam, and Rachel & Danny who will share the sacrament of marriage together this year.

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

**UKRAINE CRISIS** Catholic agencies are at the centre of the response to the unfolding humanitarian crisis and supporting those whom have been displaced. We stand in solidarity with the Ukrainian people and all those against war. We are providing regular updates on our website on the various ways parishes and schools can support the aid effort. Please go to: <https://www.caritassalford.org.uk/ukraine-crisis/>

**PARISH APPEAL** Sr. Brenda Makokha a member of the Franciscan Missionaries of St. Joseph will be joining us at all Masses (weekend 23/24th April) to offer the annual missionary appeal. There is likely to be a retiring collection after all Masses.

**MANY THANKS** to all in the Parish who helped with celebration of Triduum, the readers, ministers, servers, flower team, cleaners and sacristans ... the list gets longer every year. THANK YOU!

**THE EASTER OCTAVE** every day is like is Easter. In fact every day throughout the Easter Octave IS EASTER! Rejoice, celebrate ... ALLELUIA!!

**RENOVATION WORK AT ENGLISH MARTYRS' CHURCH** please note that from Monday 9th May the church of English Martyrs' will be closed (it will be open for Sunday Mass) during the week. All weekday Masses will be at St. Monica's church whilst work is completed. We hope to start work at St. Monica's later in the month.

**READER ROTA** if you are interested in joining the readers rota (For Sunday 9.30am Mass) at English Martyrs' Church, please contact Fr. Kieren.

**PARISH PIETY STALLS** offer a wide range of seasonal cards, gifts for Holy Communion and Confirmation and other items of piety. Please support your Parish by supporting the stalls.

**NEW OFFERTORY ENVELOPES** are now ready for collecting. If you were previously registered under Our Lady and the English Martyrs Parish, your box can be collected from English Martyrs Church and if you were previously registered under St Monica's parish, your box can be collected from St Monica's Church. Please contact Amanda in the office if you cannot find your box or you wish to collect from a different location.

**DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM** led by Bishop John Arnold Saturday 7 May 2022. After a break of two years, due to the pandemic, we are pleased to confirm the resumption of our annual pilgrimage to Our Lady's Shrine in England. The pilgrimage will be led by Bishop John and will take place on Saturday 7th May 2022. The pilgrimage programme includes a procession praying the rosary down the 'Holy Mile', a reconciliation service and the celebration of Mass. Priests are warmly invited to attend and assist with confessions. There will also be some free time to explore the Shrine. We hope coaches will be available from each deanery, leaving around 7:00am and arriving back around 10:00pm. The cost for the da trip is £20.00. Information on available coaches and how to book to follow. In addition, there will be a pilgrimage for young people in years 7, 8, and 9. The youth pilgrimage will leave on Friday 6 May and return on Saturday 7 May. Further details to be found below. <https://forms.gle/nwDThmqBFLV5LEJU7>

**THE REQUIEM MASS OF DELMA (MARY) GEARY** will take place at English Martyrs' Church on 27th April (10.30am). Please keep all her family in your prayers.

**PARISH TODDLER GROUP** The Toddler group meets every Tuesday 9:30/11:30 during term time in the jubilee room. The group provides a great meeting place for parents and carers with babies and toddlers 0-4 yrs. refreshments available with a wide selection of toys and ride-ons! Sing along time with instruments is always the favourite. Everyone welcome .

**FORMATION SERIES:** Fr Gerard Kelly - Personal Encounter with Jesus. Wednesday 27th April 2022, 7:30pm – 9:00pm Cathedral Centre, Salford, M3 6DP and via Zoom. Throughout Stage Four of our Hope in the Future journey, we will have several opportunities to explore our faith and role as missionary disciples through our formation series. Tea and Coffee will be available from 7:00pm. To register, please visit [www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/personal-encounter-with-jesus/](http://www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/personal-encounter-with-jesus/)

**SVP Manchester Central Council Annual Festival** – “True North”. Thornleigh Salesian College, Bolton Sunday 24th April, 2pm. Bishop John will celebrate Mass in the chapel at Thornleigh, followed by refreshments and a short meeting and discussion in the adjoining hall. It will be our first meeting of this kind for a couple of years and it would be lovely to see as many friends as possible alongside SVP members. All are welcome. It will be a chance to catch up with each other, to meet our two new Membership Support Officers, and to look at how we take forward our ambition for a dynamic, growing Society, as we emerge from Covid restrictions.

**LITTLE DONKEY** you all know I've got a soft spot for the donkey that carries Jesus to Bethlehem and then Jerusalem . Ironically this week I discovered the following poem written by the English Catholic novelist and apologist G. K Chesterton and who seems to have shared my fascination: ... enjoy:

When fishes flew and forests walked  
And figs grew upon thorn  
Some moment when the moon was blood  
Then surely I was born.

With monstrous head and sickening cry  
And ears like errant wings  
The devil's walking parody  
On all four-footed things.

The tattered outlaw of the earth,  
Of ancient crooked will;  
Starve, scourge, deride me: I am dumb,  
I keep my secret still.

Fools! For I also had my hour;  
One far fierce hour and sweet:  
There was a shout about my ears,  
And palms before my feet.

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MARY SEPULCHRE EARTHQUAKE  
 ANGEL STONE ROBE  
 SNOW JESUS RISEN  
 AWE JOY GREETINGS



### Thank you from Caritas Diocese of Salford

Thank you so much for your support of our St Joseph's Penny Appeal this Lent (Caritas against Poverty for individuals and families unable to manage the cost of living increases) and the Ukraine Crisis Appeal (which will support people who will soon be welcomed and hosted by Salford Diocese). Please visit our website for more information or contact Rachel Taylor by email [fundraising@caritassalford.org.uk](mailto:fundraising@caritassalford.org.uk) or by calling 0161 817 2285. The Caritas Bishop's Fund for individuals and families in crisis: access the application form here <https://www.caritassalford.org.uk/news/caritas-bishops-fund/>

Future dates for your diary.

Saturday 25th June: Caritas Lancashire 3 Peaks Challenge (over 18s).

Friday 16th September: Caritas Big Sleep Out

**STRETFORD FOOD BANK** Please place any of the above items in the grey bin at the back of church (English Martyrs). To donate directly 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.



#### 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

(0161) 748 3353

##### SECONDARY SCHOOL

###### St. Antony's Catholic High 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.