The Catholic Parish of
St. John Henry Newman
"Heart Speaks to Heart!"

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St John Henry Newman, Urmston
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TWENTY NINTH SUNDAY - 22nd OCTOBER 2023

Dear Parish family,

Over the last few weeks, I have been aware of the various Party Political Conferences that have been taking place.

It has been interesting reading and listening! Housing, public transport, immigration and of course the cost of living have all been topics of discussion. It has been interesting that despite rowing back on previous promises (The Conservatives) and proposing a massive social housing project (Labour), both main parties have been careful not to mention tax increases … of course a General Election isn't too far away!

Taxes are always a controversial subject and so too with those who followed or listened to Jesus.

In the Gospel today, Jesus is tackled about the issue of tax, the imperial tax imposed upon a conquered people, and as his opinion is sought He is deliberately placed in a compromising and difficult position.

If He speaks out against taxes He could be charged with sedition, but if He supports the tax He will be discredited amongst His people.

But Jesus is clever! Jesus is aware of every persons status and value, and so He turns the table on those who question Him. His words should never be forgotten:

Give to Caesar what belongs to Caesar, and to God what belongs to God.

Why do we collect taxes? Surely to serve the needs of the people and respond to their inherent dignity and worth?

And in whose image are we made? Surely in the image of God!

We belong to God, and anything else should be used to reveal to the world our true value and worth.

May God Bless you all

Fr. Kieren

MASS TIMES

Sat	21	
5.00pm	SM	Confession
5.30pm	SM	Vigil Mass
Sun	22	
9.30am	EM	Mass
11.30am	SM	Mass
1.00pm	SM	Baptism
Tue	24	
9.30am	EM	Requiem Mass Anne Herbert
Wed	25	
9.30am	SM	Mass
Thurs	26	
9.30am	EM	Mass
Fri	27	
10.00am	SM	Requiem Mass -
Sat	28	SS. Simon & Jude
10.00am	EM	Confession and Adoration
11.00am	EM	Mass
1.00pm	SM	Baptism
5.00pm	SM	Confession
5.30pm	SM	Vigil Mass
		Clocks go BACKWARDS one hour at 2am
Sun	29	THIRTIETH SUNDAY
9.30am	EM	Mass
11.30am	SM	Mass
1.30pm	EM	Baptism

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2024

If you are a baptised Catholic, living in the Parish and currently in Year 8

Please complete the registration form (available at the back of Church and return to Fr. Kieren.

Catechesis 1:Parish Centre, Saturday 4th November - 10.00am - 2.30pm

All candidates must attend ALL catechesis and regularly attend Sunday Mass.

Diocese of Salford
Synod 2023-2025 Prayer

Loving Father,
Be with us as we seek new ways
of being your people in our Diocese.
May each new day bring us
closer to your Son Jesus,
as we follow his teaching and
become disciples of love.
As we continue our Synodal journey,
draw us closer to each other.
May the truth of your Spirit enlighten us.
Open our hearts, as we listen to each other
and reach out in love to your people.
Stay with us, Lord, on our journey. Amen

Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Pray for us
St. Joseph, Pray for us

MASSES RECEIVED

Lately Dead
Requiescat in pace

Michael Mulcahy, Shay Casey, Eddie Rogerson, Anne Herbert, Yolanda Byrne, Tyler Broadbent, Edith Evans

Intention
a special intention, in thanksgiving, Patrick Boylan, Safe travels, Maureen Smith

Anniversaries Masses
Louise Noone, Nigel Boylan, Patrick O'Shea, Mary O'Shea

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

John Gibbons, Grace McNulty, Geoff Martin, Janet Lavin, Carol Grimsley, Maureen Boylan, Michael Rice, Esther Froggatt, Jenny Marks, Emma Coulson, Maureen Whalley, Kathleen Connors, Pam Clark, Marian Kerrigan, Mary Tunstall, Patrick Rogan, Angela Considine, Tyler Broadbent, Sheila Clegg, Maureen Smith

(Please ensure that you have permission of the individual/family for their names to be published in the newsletter)

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. If you have a loved one in Wythenshawe Hospital (Shrewsbury Diocese), please request a chaplain via the nurses station.

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

Please pray for Hannah & Daniel, and Sophie & William

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME
2023 - 2024

Dates for Programme

Childrens meetings, begin at 9.30am - pick up 11.00am. All children have been placed in either a Saturday or Sunday group, your child only has to attend their relevant catechesis and not both days!

9th December - Parish Centre
10th December - Jubilee Room
20th January - Parish Centre
21st January - Jubilee Room

Parents meeting will begin at 6.30pm in the Parish centre

7th December - Advent & Christmas
1st February

THE PRESENTATION MASSES
Please bring your child's "Baptism Candle", if you cannot find the candle please contact Fr. K

4th/5th November - attendance at either 5.30pm or 11.30am Masses.

BAMBINO MASS
The children will receive a small statue of the Baby Jesus , so that they may set up a crib/nativity scene at home.

16th/17th December - attendance at either 5.30pm or 11.30am Masses

THE FITZPATRICK HALL prior to the lockdown the Diocese began the process to condemn the Fitzpatrick Hall. This has meant that hall could no longer be used by the Parish and the wider community (insurance reasons), and that we would begin to look into the process of demolition. The Hall (first temporary Church) was built with a temporary lifespan, estimated for about 10 years, it has well exceeded it's lifespan. The building is no longer safe, and due to the fragility of the roof and the fact that there has been anti-social behaviour around the Centre & School Site with local youth climbing upon the roofs of a variety of buildings and causing damage - it has now been decided (the Diocese has given final approval) that the building should be demolished, and work will commence during the October half-term holiday.

MISSIO there will be a retiring collection for the work of MISSIO after all Masses next weekend.

DIOCESAN SYNOD many thanks to all who attended the meeting on Thursday, and a special thankyou to our Parish Reps! **However** if you missed the PARISH BIG LISTEN you can still contribute to the Diocesan Synod by scanning the QR code (see Posters in both churches) or by visiting the website www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/faith/synod/, scrolling down to the Portal window, and clicking 'Submit a response to the Synod'. It might be a good idea for our many groups to participate in their own BIG LISTEN during one of your meetings!

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion I have decided that at the present time, we as a Parish, will not immediately return to received the Blessed Sacrament via the Chalice. This is difficult decision but has been took after discussion with my brother priests in the Deanery. However, a small number within the Parish came forward to volunteer to become EMHC. I would like to invite them to a training session with me (if they are still interested) on Tuesday 7th November (6.30pm) in the Kershaw Room at EM Presbytery.

St Monica's RC Primary School are holding open days (31st Oct - 2nd Nov) for prospective parents and children starting Reception and Nursery in September 2024. For further information please visit the school website or contact the school office.
www.stmonicasschoolflixton.co.uk/diary/list/

ADVENT STATION MASSES I'm hoping to reintroduce Parish station Masses (Wednesday evenings in Advent). If you would like to host a Station Mass in your home (inviting neighbouring Catholics and non-Catholics). Please contact Fr. K. The Masses will be celebrated at 6.00pm on: 13th December & 20th December.

ALL SOUL'S CEMETERY MASS (NOON) Trafford LA have kindly agreed again to allow me to celebrate an outdoor Mass at Urmston Cemetery on the feast of All Soul's (2nd November).

The Catholic Hospital Chaplaincy Team are hosting a Memorial Mass for those who have died in our hospitals. The Mass will take place at Holy Name Church, Oxford Road, M13 9PG, on Wednesday 15th November 2023, 7pm, followed by refreshments.

EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION Thursday 2nd November (7.00pm) at St. Monica's Church. Everybody is welcome to spend time with the Lord.

National SVP Young Adults Retreat 24th-26th November
Hebron Hall Christian Centre, Dinas Powys, CF64 4YB
Join the SVP for a weekend of meeting others who are passionate about making a difference in their local communities. It will be a weekend of prayer and reflection with times of volunteering and action, including a visit to St Vincent's, Ely Bridge. Cost: £50
To find out more and to book, email: youngvincentians@svp.org.uk

SVP The next meeting of the SVP will be on Monday 30th October at 6.30pm at the Parish Centre.

THE PARISH IMPACT GROUP If you have not already sorted us and would still like to support our big sleep out, please click on our just giving page is: https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/Impact-Big-Sleep-Out, or scan the QR code.

Walk for Young Adults Saturday 28th October, 11am
English Martyrs Church, Whalley. Join Salford Youth and Young Adults Ministry for a day of faith and friendship in the beautiful Lancashire countryside! This October, the team is delighted to present a fabulous walk for young adults along the stunning 9km Tolkien Trail. The day begins with 11am Mass at English Martyrs Church, Whalley. Car shares are available upon request.
Email youth@dioceseofsalford.org.uk to find out more or visit https://www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/young-adults-walk/

World Mission Sunday today The theme chosen by the Holy Father is: 'Hearts on fire, feet on the move' (based on Luke 24). In his message for World Mission Sunday, Pope Francis encourages us all to set hearts ablaze with God's love and compassion for 'everyone has the right to receive the Gospel and we as Christ's followers have the duty to proclaim it without excluding anyone.' For more information about World Mission Sunday and how you can get involved, please visit https://missio.org.uk/world-mission-sunday-2023/.

Bishop's Fund Crises can happen to anyone and we believe that everyone deserves a helping hand during these difficult periods. The Caritas Bishop's Fund plays a crucial role in providing support to families and individuals who are experiencing challenges or crises within our diocese. These difficulties may arise from various circumstances such as illness, unemployment, the ending of the Universal Credit £20 uplift, job insecurity, and the increasing costs of energy and food. Recognising the pressing need for assistance in these situations, the fund has been established to offer immediate support to those in need. If you feel that you might qualify please visit www.caritassalford.org.uk/service/bishops-fund/

St Antony's are looking to increase their team of invigilators to support young people in their exams. For this academic year, this would involve work during November, February, May and June. The work is suited to those who do not wish to be in a permanent post. If this is something that would interest you, please email our exams officer Laura Rowles using the following address l.rowles@st-antonys.com.

PRAYER GROUP now begins at 7pm with the Rosary. Join us on Tuesday evenings in the Jubilee Room when we praise and thank God for His love and goodness, share the word and pray for the needs of all.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham - Save the date. . Next year's day pilgrimage will take place on Saturday 4th May. We are also pleased to once again offer an overnight option, following the popularity of this year's two-day pilgrimage. To register your interest, please email walsingham.pilgrimage@dioceseofsalford.org.uk

SCHOOL ADMISSIONS FOR SEPTEMBER 2024 For Reception places all applications must be submitted by 15 January 2024. Parents can apply for up to 5 schools, ranked in order of preference. It is important when applying for Catholic Schools that you read the Admission Policy and if Catholic provide a copy of your child's baptism certificate to each of the chosen schools. You can apply online: www.trafford.gov.uk/residents/schools/school-admissions/Primary/primary-school-admissions.aspx. Paper applications forms are available on request from the Trafford's School Admissions Team. **Proof of Baptism is requested by all Catholic Schools in the Diocese of Salford.**

NEWSLETTER all items for the newsletter must be sent to Fr. K (via email) before 9.00am Thursday

THE SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION
EUCHARIST & CONFIRMATION

EUCHARIST (HOLY COMMUNION)

The Eucharist is the source and summit of all Christian life, the Eucharist is not a thing or a holy object, the Eucharist is the gift of God Himself given and shared with us.

All parent's of children who will be entering Yr 3 (in September) will be invited from the beginning of May 2023 to enrol their children on the Sacramental Programme.

All children must be baptised in the Catholic Church and families **WILL** be expected, to do what all Catholic families should already be doing, that is attend Sunday Mass.

CONFIRMATION at the end of Yr6 children will be invited register their interest in joining the programme in Yr8.

All details will be published in the newsletter and a notice will be sent to our local Diocesan Catholic Secondary School (St. Antony's) and those schools that are in the Diocese of Shrewsbury (BTH, St. Ambrose & Loreto).

Registering an interest is **not** joining the programme, and as the child enters Yr8 they will have to make the commitment to participate on the programme and complete the sacraments of initiation.

Please not that although information is sent to High Schools outside the Diocese of Salford and the non-Catholic schools in the area, distribution of information is ***dependant upon the co-operation of the Head teacher and Head of RE.***

STRETFOOD 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)

As a Parish within the Diocese of Salford we follow the Diocesan Baptism Policy.

In order for your baby/child (under the age of 7) to be baptised,) if you are not already practising their faith, then you must begin to attend Sunday Mass for a minimum of at least **6 weeks** before a baptism date can be discussed.

- If you live outside the Parish, but this Parish is your place of *regular* worship, no permission is needed.
- If you live outside the Parish and don't regularly attend Mass, permission from your Parish Priest is needed.
- After a date for baptism has been set, a meeting with Fr. Kieren or Deacon John must be arranged.
- If your child is over 7 they are treated as an adult and must follow an adapted RCIA programme.

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PHARISEES TRAP DISCIPLES
HERODIANS TEACH OPINION
MALICE TAX HYPOCRITES
DENARIUS MONEY HEAD

In our Parish many of us will be familiar with the work of YCW (the origin of the IMPACT group).

Todays Gospel had me reflecting upon the words of Cardinal Cardijn who founded the movement: that a person is "worth more than all the gold" in the world.

Perhaps we could all try and remember these words!

VOCATIONS - DIOCESE OF SALFORD

If you feel called to the Diocesan Priesthood please contact Fr. Kieren or contact the Diocesan Vocation Director directly Fr. Mark Paver: mark. paver@dioceseofsalford.org.uk

OUR CATHOLIC PARISH AND DIOCESAN SCHOOLS
DIOCESE OF SALFORD

PRIMARY SCHOOLS

English Martyrs
Wycliffe Road, Urmston.
Head teacher: Mrs Alison McGlade
(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: Mr. A. Campbell
(0161) 911 8001