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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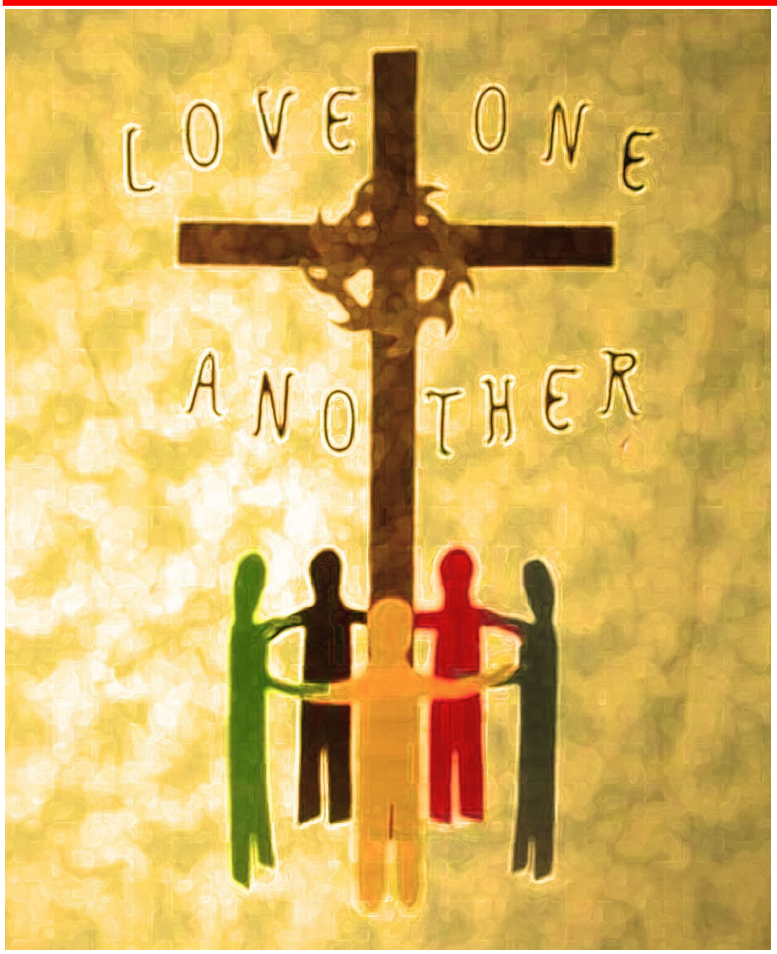
6th SUNDAY OF EASTER 2024 - 5th May 2024



Dear Parish family,

Many years ago, I had the privilege of being the on call Chaplain to St. Ann's Hospice in Little Hulton.

It was a wonderful and powerful experience, and even today I can still recall many names and faces of those I met and of course the tears, laughter, joy and ultimately loss that we shared.

In those moments, I re-learnt my Catholic faith, and came to truly understand that human life has value, and that every human being no matter how vulnerable contains intrinsic value.

I recall one call out vividly, I had just concluded a Mass at the local secondary school and I rushed to be bedside; and as I celebrated the Sacrament of the Sick, reaching out my hands to place on the patient's head, my phone began to ring (in my rush I had forgotten to turn it OFF), and suddenly the following words filled the silence of the room:

But love, love will tear us apart again
Love, love will tear us apart again

I was going through a Joy Division phase … mortified I apologised, as the family burst into laughter … I later celebrated the Requiem Mass and as we entered the church the same song was played!

In that room, we were surrounded by love, not sickly sweet cotton candy love that fades quickly and is worth nothing, but real self-giving love, love that lasts, love that hurts; real love that tears us apart again and again.

In the Gospel today Jesus commands us to love one another as **HE HAS LOVED US!**

To love as a Christian is to strive to look at the cross and love as Jesus loves, to love as a Christian is to hurt, it is to speak truth, it is to challenge and convert - to love as Jesus is sacrifice ourselves for each other!

Sr. Clare Crockett on her conversion was found in tears repeating the words:

"*He died for me, He loves me … why didn't anybody tell me*?"

If we don't tell people how God loves us, how can we love others as God loves us?

Fr. Kieren

		MASS TIMES
Tue 9.30am	7 EM	Mass
Wed 9.30am 6.30pm	8 SM JR	**EASTER WEEKDAY** Mass IMPACT! Group
Thu 9.30am Noon	9 EM SM	**THE ASCENSION** Mass Mass
Fri 9.30am	10 SM	Mass
Sat 11.00am 1.30pm 5.00pm 5.30pm	11 SM SM SM SM	 Holy Communion Mass Holy Communion Mass Confession Vigil Mass
Sun 9.30am 11.30am 1.30pm	12 EM SM SM	**7th SUNDAY OF EASTER** Mass Mass Baptism

The Regina Coeli Prayer

Queen of Heaven, rejoice, alleluia.
For He whom you did merit to bear, alleluia.
Has risen, as he said, alleluia.
Pray for us to God, alleluia.
Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia.

We do not draw people to Christ by loudly discrediting what they believe, by telling them how wrong they are and how right we are, but by showing them a light that is so lovely that they want with all their hearts to know the source of it.

Madeleine L'Engle

IMPORTANT INFORMATION!!! HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY CARE 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.

The Chaplains no longer have access to patient details - a chaplain must be requested by a member of the family to minister to a sick relative.

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

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2024

Catechesis 2 - Parish Centre:
3. Confirmation, Baptism & Holy Spirit
16th May (6.30pm)
The celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation will take place with Bishop John on 12th June (7pm) - St. Hugh of Lincoln church.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME

2023 - 2024

HOLY COMMUNION MASSES

Please arrive @ 15minutes early - family benches will marked with the First Holy Communion Certificate!

11th May - 11.00am (EM)
11th May - 1.30pm (OLOR)
18th May - 11.00am (SM)

All Masses will be at St. Monica's Church. Children who do not attend the Parish Primary Schools may choose to join any of the above Masses.

MASSES RECEIVED

Lately Dead
Requiescat in pace

Brendan Behan, Fr. Billy Molloy, Esther Froggatt, Ursula Mullane

Intention
a very special intention, in thanksgiving, Margaret Jenkins

Anniversaries Masses
Margaret Dearden, Martin Cassidy, Eileen McGrory

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

John Gibbons, Grace McNulty, , Carol Grimsley, Maureen Boylan, Michael Rice, Jenny Marks, Emma Coulson, Maureen Whalley, Pam Clark, Marian Kerrigan, Mary Tunstall, Patrick Rogan, Angela Considine, Sheila Clegg, Andrew Roche, Joe Parker, Paul Kelly, Anne Smyth, Mike Boswell, Therese Williams, Little Rhia Brooke, Olivia Holland, Mary Boylan, Michelle Clegg, Gerry Smyth

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

Parish Administrator - St Joseph, Reddish
Appointment Type: 12 Months, fixed term contract
Working Hours: 12 hours per week, over 3 days a week (flexibility required)
Location: St Joseph's Presbytery, 23 Gorton Road, Reddish, SK5 6AZ
Salary: £12.60 per hr
Find out more and apply at https://dioceseofsalford.org.uk/news/vacancies/

Parish Administrator - St John Paul II, Padiham
Appointment Type: Part-time, permanent
Working Hours: 12 hours per week – worked Monday, Thursday & Friday
Location: St John's Presbytery, St John's Road, Padiham, Burnley, Lancashire BB12 7BN. Salary: £12.60 per hr
Find out more and apply at https://dioceseofsalford.org.uk/news/vacancies/

If you want to learn a little more about Vocation in the Diocese please scan the QR code below for the latest updates.

NIFTY50+ The next meeting for the group is on Tuesday 7th May in the Jubilee room at St Monica's, all welcome.
Members on the list for the trip to Holywell on the 22nd May, please note you will need to pay for the trip on the 7th May.

INFORMATION MEETING FOR NEXT YEARS SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME As the current programme draw to a close, I invite parents within the Parish, who have baptised Catholic children going into Yr 3 or above in September to attend an Information Meeting on Thursday 4th July (6.30pm) Parish Centre.

OLOR 17th May Little Sleep Out Year 5 and 6 pupils from Our Lady of the Rosary will take part in the school's fifth 'Little Sleep Out.' on Friday 17th May. Staff and pupils will sleep out in OLOR's Prayer Garden to raise funds for CARITAS and the homeless in Manchester. They will experience just a fraction of the challenges of what it is like to sleep rough for just one night and to help those who live this reality every day. Pupils have a keen sense of social justice and a desire to help those less fortunate than themselves. We are supporting Caritas's major fundraising event, which means with OLOR's help, they can continue to provide practical help and intensive 1:1 support for people that are street homeless or 'sofa-surfing,' and those without the security of a permanent home. Children are asking for sponsors in order to raise funds for Cornerstone and Caritas. It would be great if you could donate to our Just Give Page . We are aiming to raise over £1,000 https://www.justgiving.com/page/olor-primary-school-1714460564022?newPage=true

Offertory Envelopes for the next tax year. The New envelopes are ready for collection from the back of both churches. Please look for your NAME and STREET NAME, If you are unable to find your box, please contact Amanda in the office. These new envelopes start from Sunday 7th April. If you have not already signed up to Gift Aid your donation, and you are able to do so (to be able to sign up to Gift Aid your donation, you do need to be a UK Tax payer). Signing up to the Gift Aid scheme will not cost you any more money, it just means that as a Parish, we are able to claim an extra 25% back from the Government, on your donation. If you would like a form or more information on this, please contact Amanda during office hours.

Talks on the Constitutions of Vatican II Our series of weekly talks on the Constitutions of the Second Vatican Council continue into April and May. The talks have been organised as part of our preparation for the 2025 Year of Jubilee, in response to Pope Francis' invitation to learn more about these important documents. To find out more and to register, please visit https://dioceseofsalford.org.uk/news/whats-on/

Young Adults Mass The Diocese of Salford's Mass for Young Adults returns to St Augustine's in Manchester on Sunday, 12th May. Mass begins at 5.30pm, with opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation from 4.45pm. Guest celebrant will be Fr Gerard Fieldhouse Byrne, Director of St Luke's Centre, who will also join us after Mass for an insightful talk on mental health in this month of mental health awareness. All are welcome to attend!

THE MAYOR OF TRAFFORD - DOLORES O'SULLIVAN with some members of Trafford Council will be joining us for Mass on 12th May (11.30am) for her "Sunday Civic Service". It is a great opportunity to support a parishioners who has spent so much time generously as a public servant.

GIFTS & CARDS FOR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION if you are looking for a card or a gift why not support your Parish and have a browse of what is available at Piety Stalls?

PARISH PRAYER GROUP meetings return to the Jubilee Room on Tuesday evenings beginning at 7pm with the Rosary. All are welcome. For more information. 07742745640

Diocesan Day Retreat: The Cloud of Unknowing
Our diocesan day retreat programme continues in May with a closer look at the mystical text, The Cloud of Unknowing. Dating back to the 14th century, this profound work offers a spiritual guide to contemplative prayer. The retreat runs 11.30am - 3pm on Monday 13th May at Our Lady of Lourdes and St Gerard Majella's, Lostock Hall, and costs £20 to attend. Find out more and register https://dioceseofsalford.org.uk/retreat-may-2024/

Caritas Salford Appeal for Volunteers our diocesan charity, is appealing for volunteers to support its work across Greater Manchester and Lancashire. Even a few hours can have a huge impact on the lives of others locally. To find out more about the huge range of opportunities available - from gardening to van driving, supporting their services to becoming a Caritas parish rep or accessibility advocate - visit their website now: www.caritassalford.org.uk/volunteer

Manchester and Salford Ecumenical Whit Walk The annual Manchester and Salford Ecumenical Whit Walk is set to return for another year of prayerful celebration. Taking place on Monday 27th May, the walk will begin at 10am from Manchester Cathedral Gardens, and the group will process to St Peter's Square for an Act of Worship. Individuals, families, and groups are all welcome to attend!

Cemetery Mass A special outdoor Mass will take place at St Joseph's RC Cemetery, Moston, on Monday 27th May. The Mass, led by Canon Paul Daly, will begin at 11am. An additional Mass is also due to take place at the cemetery on Monday 26th August, 11am. In the event of wet weather, Mass will take place at St Dunstan's church.

Rosary around the Campfire Please join us for a peaceful hour of prayer and reflection as we host a special praying of The Rosary at our Laudato Si' Centre on Monday 20th May at 1pm. All are welcome to join as we settle on our tree trunks around the campfire to share in an ecological reflection on the Sorrowful Mysteries. Please register your interest at https://tinyurl.com/rosaryLSC and feel free to bring your own chair or blanket for additional comfort.

Laudato Si' Awards The Diocese of Salford's Laudato Si' Centre is pleased to announce that nominations are now open for its inaugural Laudato Si' awards aimed at recognising and rewarding school children who have demonstrated exceptional care for the environment. Schools are invited to send in nominations of any student who has gone above and beyond for the Laudato Si' message. Find out more and send in your nominations at https://dioceseofsalford.org.uk/lsc-awards-2024/. Deadline for submissions is 24th May.

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 2024) will be invited from the beginning of May 2024 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 to 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 (2024) 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.***

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REMAIN JOY COMPLETE FRIENDS
COMMAND LIFE SERVANTS BUSINESS
CHOOSE BEAR LAST NAME

Chef - Cathedral House (replacement role)
Appointment Type: Part time, permanent
Working Hours: Weekend Hours
Location: Cathedral House, 250 Chapel Street, Salford, M3 5LE
Salary: £21,840 - £24,343 per annum (subject to pro-rata)
Find out more and apply at https://dioceseofsalford.org.uk/news/vacancies/

GETTING MARRIED IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH In order to get married in the Catholic Church 6 months notice must be given, 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 *Jessica & Simon, Rachael & Juan, Katherine & Richard, Leanne & Joe, Charlotte & Kieran, Jayne & Richard, and Megan & Aaron* as they prepare to celebrate the sacrament together.

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.

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

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 your Catholic 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 (by you).
- If your child is over 7 they are treated as an adult and must follow an adapted RCIA programme.

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