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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20th Sunday of Ordinary Time - 18th August 2024

Dear Parish family,

I've always been a bit of a fussy eater. Even today there are certain foods that I will not go near ... mushrooms, any offal and of course mashed vegetables especially potatoes!

Some of this is to do with texture; but mushrooms are surely the spawn of Satan!

Now, I'm not saying that those who walked with Jesus in the Gospel today were fussy eaters, but as Jews they adhered, and still do, to very strict dietary laws.

There are unclean foods, a religious yuck factor, if you like.

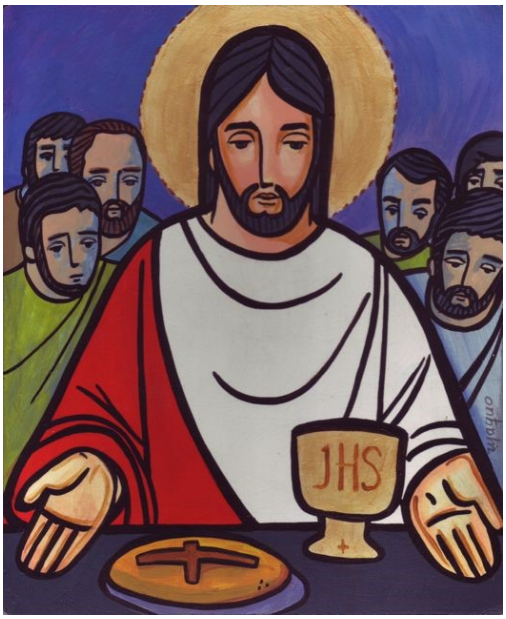
This is why what Jesu says and how those who hear respond is so important. Jesus' words are not symbolic and those who follow Him, know so, and that is why they become so uncomfortable.

In the Gospel today we come right down to (literally) fleshy realities: food and drink, flesh and blood. What or rather WHO we are asked to eat, is too much for many of those who follow Jesus to swallow, and because they find His words literally *intolerable* they will desert Him.

As faithful Catholics let us literally recognise the ONE we receive.

Fr. Kieren

		PARISH MASS TIMES
Tue 9.30am	20 EM	St. Bernard (M) Mass
Wed 9.30am	21 SM	St. Pius X (M) Mass
Thu 9.30am	22 EM	The Queenship of Mary (M) Mass
Fri 9.30am	23 SM	Mass
Sat 10.00am 11.00am 5.00pm 5.30pm	24 EM EM SM SM	**St. Bartholomew (F)** Fr. K presiding at a wedding outside the Parish Confession Vigil Mass
Sun 9.30am 11.30am 1.30am	25 EM SM EM	**21st Sunday** Mass Mass Baptism



SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME 2024 - 2025

Enrolment forms are NOW available from Fr. Kieren after all Sunday Masses. Please return your child's form (with £10) to Fr. Kieren at the Presbytery by 15th August 2024.

CHILDRENS CATECHESIS

Catechesis on Saturday 9.30am - 11.00am (PC)
Catechesis on Sunday 9.45am - 11.15am (JR)

Sat 5th October (9.30am)
ALL CHILDREN - SM Church

- Sat/Sun 19th/20th October
- Sat/Sun 30thNov/1st Dec
- Sat/Sun 8th/9th February
- Sat/Sun 1st/2nd March
- Sat/Sun 10th/11th May
- Sat/Sun 17th/18th May

PARENT CATECHESIS

Catechesis on Thursday 6.30pm (PC)

- 17th October
- 28th November
- 6th February
- 6th March
- 8th May
- 22nd May

CELEBRATION LITURGY/MASSES

Presentation Mass 9th/10th Nov
(bring baptism candle)
Saturday 5.30pm or Sunday 11.30am

Bambino Sunday 14/15 Dec
Attend any Sunday Mass

1st Sunday of Lent 9th/10th Mar
Attend any Sunday Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation
11th & 12th March (6.30pm) SM

First Holy Communion SM
14th June (Noon) St. Monica's Church

First Holy Communion OLOR
21st June (Noon) St. Monica's Church

First Holy Communion EM
28th June (Noon) St. Monica's Church

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

RECEIVING COMMUNION UNDER BOTH KINDS

I would like to offer a little update, as I'm aware that neighbouring Parishes are also beginning consultation.

Sadly, only limited feedback has been received, and that feedback has been inconclusive. However, I do feel that NOW is the time to begin to contemplate offering Holy Communion under both species; but please remember that this process is a marathon and not a sprint - and it won't happen over night. To begin this process as a Parish we need to begin to recruit and train new Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (Eucharistic Ministers).

If you are interested please contact Fr. K

MASSES RECEIVED

Lately Dead

Requiescat in pace

Catherine Corbett, Arthur Bentham, Claire Mooney

Intention

a very special intention, in thanksgiving, Roy Ashead

Anniversaries Masses

Peter Brady, Katie Towey, Kathleen McGrory, Kathleen Lowe

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

John Gibbons, Grace McNulty, Carol Grimsley, Maureen Boylan, Jenny Marks, Emma Coulson, Maureen Whalley, Pam Clark, Marian Kerrigan, Mary Tunstall, Patrick Rogan, Angela Considine, Sheila Clegg, Andrew Roche, Anne Smyth, Therese Williams, Little Rhia Brooke, Olivia Holland, Michelle Clegg, Gerry Smyth , Aidan Turner, Bride McLaughlin, Sian McManamon

*The Diocese has clarified that names of sick parishioners can not be published unless we have the consent of the **individual** to do so.*

DIOCESAN JOB VACANCIES

Maintenance Operative - Diocese of Salford
Full-time, Permanent, 35 hours per week to be worked Monday to Friday
Salary: £21,840 – £24,343 per annum (depending on skills and experience)
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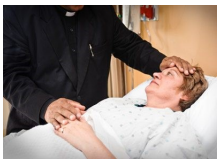
IMPORTANT INFORMATION!!! HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY CARE at Manchester Royal Infirmary, Saint Mary's, Manchester Children's Hospital, Manchester Eye Hospital, Trafford General and The Christie, Salford Royal or Wythenshawe. If you have a relative or friend who is an inpatient and would like a Catholic Chaplain 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.*



DEADLINE FOR SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME ENROLMENT many thanks to all the Parent's who have already returned the forms. The Sunday cohort is now full and no further children will be admitted to the Sunday Catechesis group. The deadline is now passed, although due to the summer holidays I will keep it open until 23rd August.

Update on our Diocesan Synod Following on from the first gathering of the diocesan journey, we are now able to share the 'Big Listen' Report. This report shares the responses and themes identified from the diocesan wide listening exercise. You can access the full report via the diocesan website and the QR code below. The four principal themes that emerged from the Big Listen stage of the process, which took place between October 2023 and January 2024 are: Nurturing Faith in Tomorrow's World, Building Connections, Enabling Access, and Fostering Christ-like Care. As well as the full report, four summary leaflets and other related resources will be made available in monthly stages on a theme by theme basis, starting in September with Theme One: Faith in tomorrow's world. You will be able to access these via the same links. Please look out for more details on how you can get involved in the next stage of our parish's involvement in the Synod. To find out more about the latest updates, what's next for our diocesan synod, or how you can get involved, please visit https://dioceseofsalford.org.uk/faith/synod/

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT in addition to Saturday morning, weekly (midweek) adoration will return from September 12th (6.30pm). Deacon John will lead the liturgy. All are welcome.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION when the schools go back, I will be writing to all the local Secondary Schools inviting the new Yr 8 students to a meeting on 16th October (6.30pm) in English Martyrs' Church. If your child is entering Yr 8 this September please note this date in your diary.

Caritas Diocese of Salford Summer Appeal
Our diocesan charity, Caritas Diocese of Salford, has launched its summer appeal as new research reveals child poverty to be at an all-time high across Greater Manchester and Lancashire. To find out more about the appeal and how you can support families across our diocese, please visit www.caritassalford.org.uk/campaign/child-poverty

Bank Holiday Cemetery Mass A Mass to remember our deceased loved ones will be taking place on Monday 26th August at Wardley Cemetery, beginning at 11:00am. Please note updated time. All are welcome to join.

Votive Mass of St Monica Join in for a Votive Mass of St Monica followed by the opportunity to venerate her relic and invoke her intercession on the Feast Day of St Monica, 27th August at St Mary's Church in Oswaldtwistle at 7pm. Everyone is welcome and invited to write the names of family and friends and place them in the box asking for St. Monica's prayers.

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO ASSISI If you have registered an interest in joining this pilgrimage, I invite you to a meeting in English Martyrs' church on Thursday 29th August (6.30pm). It would be a good way for the Parish to celebrate the Jubilee Year of 2025.

FR. DQ - SEPTEMBER 18th - KEEP IT FREE we are still waiting for when Fr DQ will leave us. However we are planning a farewell Mass and celebration. Mass will be celebrated at St. Monica's church on Wednesday 18th September (6.30pm), followed by a small reception in the Parish Centre. If you would like to help to prepare for the Mass or reception please contact Fr. K

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 Pilgrimage to Rome 2025 We are delighted to announce a number of pilgrimages to celebrate the 2025 Pilgrims of Hope Jubilee, including a pilgrimage to Rome in September. Bookings for the pilgrimage, led by Bishop John, will open on Monday 5th August. Please email info@northernstartravel.com or call 0161 773 2115 to book your place. Please note, places are extremely limited. For more information on our other pilgrimages at home and overseas, please visit https://dioceseofsalford.org.uk/jubilee-pilgrimages/.

Salford Lourdes Pilgrimage Centenary Window Our Salford Lourdes Coordination Team is delighted to announce the commission of a beautiful stained-glass window, which will be installed in our newly-restored cathedral, commemorating the centenary of this much-loved pilgrimage. You can be part of this wonderful legacy by donating in memory of a loved one, as a gift, or in your family name, with names being recorded in a special commemorative book. To find out more, visit https://www.salfordlourdes.co.uk/centenary-window.

Free Webinar - Promoting and supporting integration and wellbeing of refugee children. To mark World Day of Migrants and Refugees, Caritas in partnership with the Caritas Social Action Network, will be hosting a national webinar aimed at equipping communities with the knowledge, skills and resources to effectively support children who are refugees or seeking asylum. The webinar is aimed at teachers, school leaders, school family support workers, social workers, counsellors, therapists and governors. Clergy and others involved in supporting people in their local community would also find the session beneficial. The webinar will take place online on Wednesday 25 September at 4pm. To book your place and find out more, www.caritassalford.org.uk/event/welcoming-classrooms/

Stay in the know Want the latest news from parishes and schools across the diocese? Would you like to keep up to speed with upcoming events and key projects and resources from the Diocese of Salford? Head to the Diocese of Salford's website www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk or find us on Facebook, Instagram, and X!

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 (Sept 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 cooperation 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.

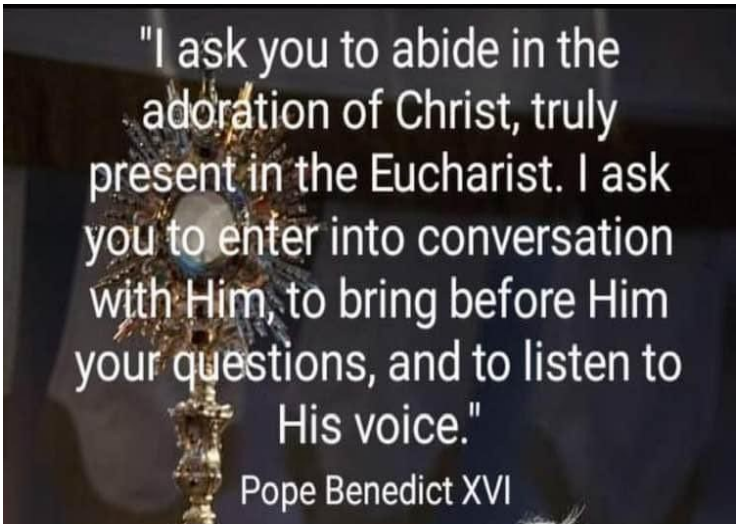
THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

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 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.



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 *Megan & Aaron* as they prepare to celebrate the sacrament together.

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

Please scan the QR code to learn more.

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: Mrs Hannah Groves
(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