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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19th Sunday of Ordinary Time - 10th August 2025

Dear Parishioners,

I am sure that many of you heard the news last week that Pope Leo has raised our Patron St. John Henry Newman to "Doctor of Church".

He joins a long list of important saints sharing that title that we should all be familiar with. St. John Henry Newman is the first "Englishman" to be honoured by this title although two others from this Isle share it too - St. Bede a subject of the Kingdom of Northumbria and St. Anselm of Canterbury, an Italian). But what does being a Doctor of the Church mean?

The title "doctor of the Church" recognises those canonized men and women who possessed profound knowledge, were superb teachers, and contributed significantly to the Church's theology.

Traditionally, the title has been granted on the basis of three requirements: **the manifest holiness of a candidate affirmed by his or her canonization as a saint; the person's eminence in doctrine demonstrated by the leaving behind of a body of teachings that made significant and lasting contributions to the life of the Church; and a formal declaration by the Church, usually by a pope**.

What makes St. John Henry Newman so important? Well to put it simply: *he is a saint for our time and a sure guide to all who seek the truth*. And we should all being seeking the truth and the truth is, none other than Jesus Christ.

PARISH WEEKLY MASS TIMES

Times may change due to Weddings & Funerals

Tue 9.30am	12 EM	Mass
Wed 9.30am	13 SM	Mass
Thu 9.30am	14 EM	St Maximillian Kolbe Mass
Fri 9.30am	15 SM	The Assumption of the BVM Mass
Sat 10.00am 11.00am 1.00pm 5.00pm 5.30pm	16 EM EM EM SM SM	Adoration & Confession Mass Baptism Confession Vigil Mass
Sun 9.30am 11.30am	17 EM SM	20th Sunday of Ordinary Time Mass Mass

It is hard not to see a connection, as it was Pope Leo XIII who made John Henry Newman a Cardinal God and now it is Leo XIV who will make him a Doctor.

God certainly does work in mysterious ways!

It is often believed that the writings of John Henry Newman influenced the thought of the Council Fathers at Vatican II. He is certainly a Saint and a Doctor that we all need to get to know.

God Bless

Fr. K

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME 2025 - 2026

Dates for Catechesis & Celebrations

Catechesis/Celebrations
Parent meetings are marked in **GREEN**

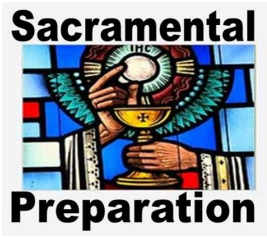
Sat 27th September 11.00am	St. Monica's
Thurs 9th October 6.30pm	Parish Centre
Sat 11th October 9.30am	Parish Centre
Sun 12th October 9.45am	Jubilee Room
Sun 19th October 11.30am PRESENTATION MASS	**St. Monica's**
Thurs 4th December 6.30pm	Parish Centre
Sat 6th December 9.30am	Parish Centre
Sun 7th December 9,45am	Jubilee Room
13/14th December	**Bambino Mass**
22nd January 6.30pm	Parish Centre
24th January 9.30am	Parish Centre
25th January 9.45am	Jubilee Room
5th February 6.30pm	Parish Centre
7th February 9.30am	Parish Centre
8th February 9.45am	Jubilee Room
24th February 6.30pm 1st CONFESSION SM	
25th February 6.30pm 1st CONFESSION SM	
7th/8th March	**Lenten Mass**
19th March 6.30pm	Parish Centre
21st March 9.30am	Parish Centre
22nd March 9.45am	Jubilee Room
16th April 6.30pm	Parish Centre
18th April 9.30am	Parish Centre
19th April 9.45am	Jubilee Room

OLOR 1st HC Mass 25th Apil NOON (SM)

SM 1st HC Mass 9th May NOON (SM)

EM 1st HC Mass 16th May NOON (SM)

For children in non-Parochial Schools please choose either 9th or 16th May for 1st Holy Communion Mass.



A LITTLE BIT OF HOLIDAY FUN

If you do visit a church please take a photo and send it to me via email (please do not have your children in the photo) and it might make it into the summer Parish newsletters.

Mass Intentions

Lately Dead
Requiescat in pace
Margaret McBride, Helen Sheehy, Sheila Clegg

Intention
A special intention, in thanksgiving, in thanksgiving of a speedy recovery, a successful operation, Natalie and Jamie Strand, Nell McGrath (Birthday)

Anniversaries Masses
Michael Carr, Carol O'Dowd, Vincent Sheedy

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK
John Gibbons, Maureen Boylan, Jenny Marks, Emma Coulson, Maureen Whalley, Marian Kerrigan, Mary Tunstall, Angela Considine, Andrew Roche, Anne Smyth, Little Rhia Brooke, Gerry Smyth, Bridie McLaughlin, Sian McManamon, Bernard Walker, Mark Daly, Leo Turnbull, Anne Turnbull, Jo Orford, Tom Parry, Mary Doolan, Michael Rice, Margaret Barker, Mike Boswell, Paul Hales, Josie Fitton, Kathleen O'Neill

Names cannot be published without consent of the individual.

Masses are published as they are received.

Only in love can I find you, my God.

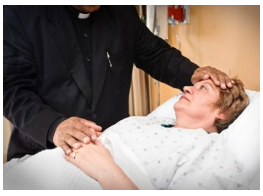
In love the gates of my soul spring open, allowing me to breathe a new air of freedom and forget my own petty self.

In love my whole being streams forth out of the rigid confines of narrowness and anxious self-assertion, which makes me a prisoner of my own poverty and emptiness.

In love all the powers of my soul flow out towards you, wanting never more to return, but to lose themselves completely in you, since by your love you are the inmost centre of my heart, closer to me than I am to myself.

Karl Rahner SJ
Encounters with Silence

IMPORTANT INFORMATION!!! HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY CARE 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.*



SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME 2025-2026 enrolment forms for the programme are now available after all Sunday (including Saturday Vigil) Masses. **Please note that there are now NO places available on the Sunday catechesis cohort and that all children will now be enrolled on-to the Saturday catechesis. The deadline for the return of registration forms is 15th August.**

SYCAMORE Many people are seeking to explore the Christian faith or deepen the faith they already have. Sycamore looks at the central beliefs and practices of Catholic Christianity. Topics include the search for happiness, the existence of God, the death and Resurrection of Jesus, the Holy Spirit, the Church, the Bible, the gift of faith, and the power of prayer. Should you feel this is something you wish to pursue we are beginning the above course from September 2025 (Exact date and time TBC soon) – please register your interest by speaking to Deacon John

CEMETERY MASS will be celebrated at 12 noon on Monday 25th August, outside the Roman Catholic Chapel in Southern cemetery. In the event of poor weather, Mass will be celebrated in St. Ambrose Church. All are warmly invited to join us for this meaningful occasion of remembrance and prayer.

St Antony Catholic School Open Evening Thursday 18th September 4pm - 7pm. If you have a child in Yr 6 (or even Yr 5) come and have a look!

FANCY A WALK? Our diocesan charity Caritas Diocese of Salford invites you to take part in a leisurely 7-mile walk for adults (18+) to raise money for people experiencing poverty, homelessness, and disadvantage in our diocese. The walk takes place on Saturday 13th September and takes in the beautiful sights of the Tolkien Trail in the Ribble Valley. Find out more at www.caritassalford.org.uk/lancswalk

Becoming Confident Catechists - An Introduction to the Ministry of Catechist A new course for catechists is set to take place at St Patrick's in Collyhurst. It is suitable for catechists or prospective catechists working with baptism parents, First Communion parents and children, confirmation candidates, RCIA catechists, and more. The course consists of six sessions, taking place between 7pm and 9pm every Wednesday, from 3rd September. If you are a catechist or prospective catechist who might be interested in joining these sessions email paul.daly@dioceseofsalford.org.uk for more detailed information and to register.

Outdoor Mass for Season of Creation This September welcomes back the Season of Creation - a month-long campaign that invites us to reflect on our call to be loving stewards of God's creation. Mass takes place on Monday 1st September at 9.30am. laudato-si@dioceseofsalford.org.uk

ENGLISH MARTYRS' as We are now looking for a new Head teacher and the advert is up on the Emmaus website: https://emamaus-cat.com/vacancy/headteacher-2/

CAFOD In this jubilee year CAFOD is working with our sister Caritas organisations around the world to call for urgent action on the global debt crisis. Many of the world's poorest countries are suffering huge debt burdens with devastating impact on ordinary people. Pope Francis spoke about the need many times saying, ''More than a question of generosity, this is a matter of justice.'' Please sign the worldwide Church petition after Mass, which will be available in the first two weekends of August..

Celebrating our young people Our Youth Ministry team has just returned from its pilgrimage to Rome to celebrate the Jubilee of Youth. We were delighted to welcome a member of the BBC Radio 4 Sunday Worship Programme team, who spoke with our young pilgrims to record a special Sunday Worship Programme. This will be broadcast at 8.10am on Sunday 17th August. You can listen along, once the programme is live, at https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/m002h9mr

The Catenian's Davyhulme Catenian's are now established in a new venue, The Club House at Barton Aerodrome and continue to promote both our charitable work and help for Catholic youth. Our most recent charity was St Ann's Hospice, and for youth the Public Speaking National Final to be held in Manchester on the 7th of September. If you are interested in finding out more about us or events please contact Phil Brown on 07754 144925.

Job Vacancies there are a number of new vacancies in the Diocese of Salford are you interested? To find out more, please visit https://dioceseofsalford.org.uk/news/vacancies/

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION if you are beginning Yr 8 (or older) in September and would like to join the Confirmation, you are invited to attend an information meeting on Thursday 16th October (6.00pm) in English Martyrs' Church. I will be writing to all the local Secondary Schools in September and ask that a reminder may be placed in the newsletters.

CAPTION COMPETITION what is Pope Leo saying to Bishop John ?

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 2025) will be invited 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 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 2025) 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*.

TRAFFORD NORTH FOOD BANK Please place any of the above items in the grey bin at the back of church (English Martyrs). To donate directly 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, 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 aged 7 or over they are treated as an adult and must follow an adapted RCIA programme.

To read the full diocesan policy:
https://www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/Forming-young-people-for-life-Policy-Nov-2016.pdf

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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.

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 Marie & Andrew, Rebecca & David, Shannon & Connor, Natalie & Jamie, Ella & Ben, Roisin & James, Rose & Martin, Natalie & Joseph, Lorna & Jonathan as they prepare to celebrate the sacrament together in 2025!

OUR CATHOLIC PARISH AND DIOCESAN SCHOOLS

DIOCESE OF SALFORD

PRIMARY SCHOOLS

English Martyrs
Wycliffe Road, Urmston.
Head teacher: Mrs J Dunn (acting)
(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