The Catholic Parish of St. John Henry Newman

"cor loquitur ad cor"

Heart Speaks to Heart!

COR AD COR LOQUITUR

Parish Information

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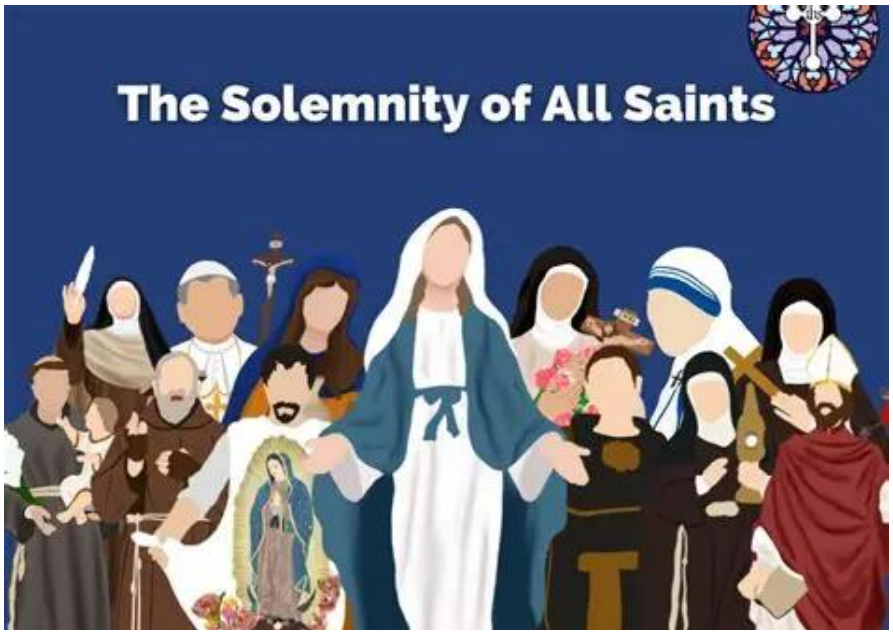
1st November 2026 – All Saints



Dear Parishioners,

During the recent pilgrimage to Poland the guide spoke about a tradition that occurs during the public holiday of All Saints/All Souls.

It is a tradition held throughout the country where families travel to visit the graves of their loved ones (the Holy Souls) leaving with them a lit candle; a gentle reminder of prayer, faith, love and belonging. But the tradition is also a reminder that within Catholic teaching the faithful departed still need (and are sometimes reliant on) our prayer.

In our modern world, it is sometimes easy for us to think that all our loved ones are immediately saints in heaven. Don't get me wrong – I believe in the sure and certain hope that all will dwell with the Risen Lord - and perhaps many of them are, but our faith teaches that some may not yet be. As Jesus reminds us: *small is the gate and narrow the way*, how well do we adhere to and live out the 2 commandments that were stressed last weekend?

God desires us to be with Him, He enters the world, becoming one with us, so that we may learn how to fulfil that divine desire – and fulfil our human vocation by becoming His Holy Ones; His Saints.

But we all need a little help, because we can't become who we are meant to be by ourselves.

That is why we pray for the dead, to help the Holy Souls who have gone before us, to become those saints that God for all eternally has desired them to be.

And as we pray for them, we ask that they too pray for us, so that like them may become saints too.

Fr. Kieren

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME 2026 - 2027

Parent (6.30pm) and Saturday Catechesis (9.30am) will take place in the Parish Centre. Sunday Catechesis will take place in the Jubilee Room (9.45am).

Dates for Catechesis

19/11/26	Parent Catechesis
22/11/26	Christ the King (Please attend any Mass)
3/12/26	Parents Catechesis
5/12/26	Saturday Catechesis
6/12/26	Sunday Catechesis
12/12/26	Bambino Sunday (Please attend any Mass)
25/12/26	Christmas (Please attend any Mass)
28/1/27	Parent Catechesis
30/1/27	Saturday catechesis
31/1/27	Sunday Catechesis
4/2/27	Parent Catechesis
6/2/27	Saturday Catechesis
7/2/27	Sunday Catechesis
23/2/27	Celebration of Reconciliation
24/2/27	Celebration of Reconciliation
14/3/27	5th Sunday of Lent (Please attend any Mass)
21/3/27	Palm Sunday (Please attend any Mass)
28/3/27	Easter Sunday (Please attend any Mass)
8/4/27	Parent Catechesis
10/4/27	Saturday Catechesis
11/4/27	Sunday Catechesis
17/4/27	Saturday Catechesis
18/4/27	Sunday Catechesis

Dates for First Holy Communion Masses (Noon)

24th April 2027 - EM Cohort
8th May 2027 - OLOR Cohort
15th May 2027 - SM Cohort

TIME	VENUE	MASS/LITURGY
Tuesday 03 9.30am	EM	Mass
Wednesday 04 10.00am	SM	St Charles Borromeo Requiem Mass – Noreen Russell
Thursday 05 9.30am	EM	Mass
Friday 06 9.30am Noon	SM Cemetery	Mass Mass
Saturday 07 10.00am 11.00am 1.00pm 5.00pm 5.30pm	EM EM SM SM SM	Adoration & Confession Mass Baptism Confession Vigil Mass
Sunday 08 9.30am 11.30am 1.30pm	EM SM EM	**32nd Sunday of Ordinary Time** Mass Mass Baptism
NOVEMBER IS THE MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS	**Sunday Cycle: A Weekday Cycle:2 Psalter: WK 3**	

MASSES RECEIVED:
Lately Dead: Noreen Russell, Johnny Keegan
Anniversary: Kathleen Royle, John Hartey, Monica Nolan, Brian Orford, Neil Talbt, Brenda Talbot
Intention: a speedy recovery, Tony Dixon, Geraldine Worthe, Kathleen O'Neill (Birthday), for prayers answered, the Holy Souls

If you have names to be added to the Parish Sick List, please forward them to Fr. Kieren via email. Permission must be given by the sick person for their name to be on the list.

Sick: Audrey Crier, Gerry Smyth, Kystyna Bzdega, Kath & Peter Hughes, Peter Carlon, Tony Dixon, Tommy Johnson, John Gibbon, Josephine Francis, Mary Barker, Lesley McCallion, Bernard Walker

Please use QR code if you would like to donate electronically

PLEASE DIO NOT LEAVE ANY MONEY AT THE BACK OF ENGLISH MARTRS' CHURCH if you are purchasing Mass cards, please leave money in the sacristy. If anybody would like to coordinate the piety stall at English Martyrs' please contact Fr. K via the Parish Office.

CELIAC HOSTS are available for parishioners who may be gluten intolerant. **Please approach Fr Kieren or Deacon John before Mass to arrange.**

NOVEMBER – MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS during this month we are encouraged to pray for the faithful departed. Can I encourage you to visit your loved one's graves or attend the cemetery Mass on Friday. Throughout November a weekly Mass will be offered for the Holy Souls and the Faithful departed, if you would like your loved ones to be remembered during that Mass, please take a brown envelope from the back of either Church. The names will not be printed in the Newsletter but placed in front of the altar.

DATE FOR THE CELEBRATION OF CONFIRMATION Bishop John has confirmed that the celebration will be Sunday 6th June 2027 at St Hugh of Lincoln church (2.00pm)

A QUICK NOTE ABOUT GPDR I know that it might seem daft, but as a Parish we cannot share private information (including phone numbers and addresses of parishioners) with anybody within the Parish. Nor can we include names (sick list) in newsletter without direct permission from the sick person or their direct next of kin. This is sadly the world we live in today!

URMSTON CEMETERY MASS Friday 6th November (Noon). If you would like to purchase "grave candles" to place on the grave of your loved ones some are available at the back of both churches.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PARENTS - Starting school September 2027 If you live in Trafford and your child was born between 1 September 2022 and 31 August 2023, they are eligible to start school from 1 September 2027. You must apply to Trafford for all your preferred schools, including schools in other local authority areas. We work with other areas to make sure each child is only offered a place at one school. If you only apply directly to a school, your application will not be considered. If you want to apply for a nursery place, contact the school directly. Some schools may ask you to complete a supplementary form and return it to the school. This is often for faith schools. **15th January 2027 - Closing date for applications.**
www.trafford.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/starting-school-and-admission/starting-primary-school/submitting-application

SVP tea & biscuits after 9-30 mass on a Tuesday 3rd November in the Kershaw Room.

The SVP and the charity Two Brews are setting up a clothes bank in Central Manchester for the homeless. We are appealing for donations of warm winter clothes for men. The items you would donate to a charity shop. We will place boxes at the back of both churches.

Free resource: World Day of the Poor the Caritas Social Action Network (CSAN) has produced a resource for parishes, schools and individuals to mark this year's World Day of the Poor, which takes place on 15th November. You can find it by visiting www.caritassalford.org.uk/CSANWorldDayofthePoor and you can find more information about other ways to support people experiencing poverty locally on the Caritas Salford website at: www.caritassalford.org.uk

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY Open Day – Thursday 12th, from 9.00–11.00am. This is a wonderful opportunity to visit our school, meet our staff and see our children in action. There will be a Headteacher's talk at 9.45am. We look forward to welcoming you and hope to see you there!

ST MONICA PRIMARY SCHOOL an additional open day date has been added: 23rd November (9.30am). Please email the school office to book your place: office@stmonicasrc.co.uk

HOMELESSNESS - Write to your MP As part of their latest campaign to support people in our diocese who are homeless, Caritas Salford - our diocesan charity - has put together information on how you can write to your MP to call for change. They are asking for help from people in our parishes and would like as many as possible to call for Local Housing Allowance rates to be unfrozen and uplifted in line with local rents. Find out more and access the free template letter and more on the Caritas website at:
www.caritassalford.org.uk/EndHomelessness

Mass for Carers A Mass is being celebrated for all Carers within our Communities at St Cuthbert's RC Church, Palatine Road, Withington, Manchester. M20 3LH. Mass will start at 12 Noon on Saturday 28th November 2026. Following the service sandwiches and refreshments will be served in the parish hall. Mass will be live-streamed through the parish website - stcuthbertswithington.com - so please attend online if you are unable to attend in person.

St John Henry Newman (Over 50's) upcoming events: TRIP TO BROADSTONE MILL, 5th November 10.30am till 2.30pmCost £10 for the coach. Meet parish centre car park at 10.30am. TRIP TO SALFORD CATHEDRAL 19th November 10.30am till 2.30pm. Meet at the parish centre car park at 10.30am. ST JOHN HENRY NEWMAN PARISH CENTRE SHOPPING FAIR & Tea/ Coffee and Cake 3rd December12noon till 4pm. Fun and games for all AND THERE's MORE ST JOHN HENRY NEWMAN PARISH CENTRE CHRISTMAS PARTY 17th December 12 noon till 3pm. Buffet/ Secret Santa. Contact Fillipa on 07866583870

Visit of the Relics of St Gerard Majella To mark the 300th anniversary of St Gerard Majella's birth his relics will be coming to Our Lady of Grace Church Prestwich (M25 1AS) on Monday 23rd November from 5:30pm. Mass at 6:30pm with time for personal blessing with the relic after mass. There will also be the opportunity for confession from 5:30pm. St Gerard is the Patron Saint of mothers, couples trying to conceive, those looking for work, and making a good confession. You are most welcome to join us.

Catholic Social Teaching has been referred to as 'the Catholic Church's best kept secret' (Mark Shea). On Wednesday 11th November from 6pm to 7.15pm, our diocesan charity, Caritas Salford will be holding a free online session on Catholic Social Teaching, in advance of World Day of the Poor.
To register to join the free webinar, visit:
www.caritassalford.org.uk/CSTWebinarNov26

OUR CATHOLIC PARISH AND DIOCESAN SCHOOLS

PRIMARY SCHOOLS

English Martyrs
Wycliffe Road, Urmston.
Head teacher: Mrs A Reeh
(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) 546 9050

GETTING MARRIED IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

In order to get married in the Catholic Church a minimum of 6 months' notice must be given, please contact Fr. Kieren for further information. If you are a Catholic and have attempted marriage outside the Church and would like to consider a convalidation please speak to Fr. Kieren or Deacon John. "*And that is what marriage is! Hand in hand, always and for the rest of your lives*". Pope Francis

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

"Parents are obliged to see to it that infants are baptised within the first weeks after birth" (867)

In order for your baby/child 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 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). To read the full diocesan policy, in full: https://www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/Forming-young-people-for-life-Policy-Nov-2016.pdf

PREPARING FOR THE FULLNESS OF THE SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION

EUCHARIST (1st 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 parents of children who will be entering Yr 3 (in September 2027) will be invited to enrol their child on the Sacramental Programme - letters and newsletter invitations will be sent out around May 2027. The programme is open to all baptised children resident in the Parish including those outside the Parochial schools. 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.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Parishioners from Year 8 (upwards) are invited to join this programme. 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).

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POOR SPIRIT GENTLE
HERITAGE HUNGER MERCY
PURE HEART REWARD