



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



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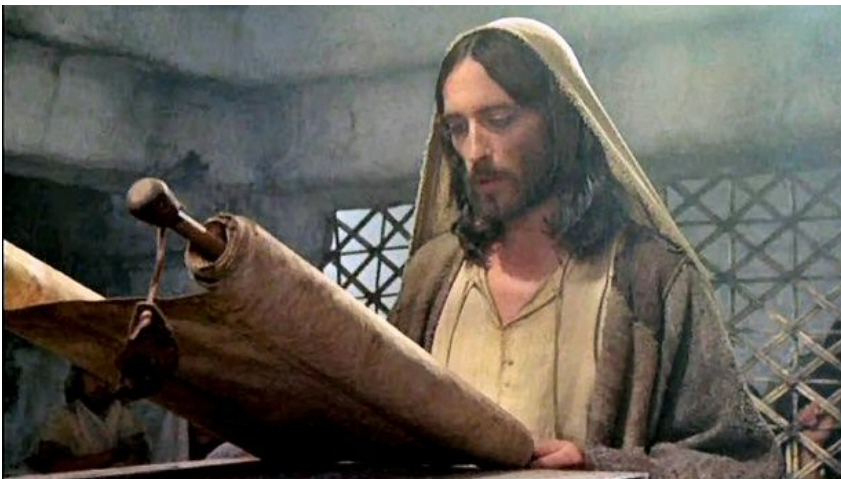
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St John Henry Newman, Urmston
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3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time - 26th January 2025



Dear Parishioners,

As a kid I used to love the old film (the 1934 version not the 1982 one!) "The Scarlet Pimpernel". The story of Sir Percy Blakeney, who would smuggle the French nobility out of the country during the reign of terror - the revolution, disguised as the Scarlett Pimpernel. The authorities could never catch him, even as he stood amongst them.

*"We seek him here, we seek him there,
 Those Frenchies seek him everywhere.
 Is he in heaven? — Is he in hell?
 That damned, elusive Pimpernel"*

Jesus, is no pimpernel, and yet he stands amongst the people who are seeking somebody - the Messiah, the Christ. The One who is sought stands now amongst the people and declares His presence. All eyes are fixed upon Him as He speaks words of simplicity, words that challenge everything they believe and understand.

"The text is being fulfilled, today, even as you listen."

And this text continues to be fulfilled; he continues to be present; not only as we gather around the altar for Mass, but as we the Body of Christ, although made up of different parts, come together to en flesh the words of the Prophet Isaiah, as we through our lives and faith: *bring the good news to the afflicted. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to*



PARISH MASS TIMES

Tue 9.30am	28 EM	St. Thomas Aquinas Mass
Wed 9.30am	29 SM	Mass
Thu 9.30am 6.30pm	30 EM PC	Mass Confirmation Catechesis
Fri 9.30am	31 SM	St. John Bosco Mass
Sat 10.00am 11.00am 1.00pm 5.00pm 5.30pm	01 EM EM EM SM SM	Confession & Adoration Mass Baptism Confession Vigil Mass
Sun 9.30am 11.30am	02 EM SM	The Presentation of the Lord Mass Mass

captives, sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim a year of favour from the Lord.

In this Jubilee Year, we are called and reminded to do what Jesus did; as we are fed by Him through the Eucharist, we are to become His real presence in world - for all who seek!

God Bless

Fr. K



**SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME
2024 - 2025**

CHILDRENS CATECHESIS

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

- ◆ 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)

- ◆ 6th February
- ◆ 6th March
- ◆ 8th May
- ◆ 22nd May

CELEBRATION LITURGY/MASSES

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

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

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

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

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



Sr. Clare has now been declared a "Servant of God" and her cause for canonisation has been officially opened. Her life is inspirational and I think she can be a true example of faith for us all but especially our young Catholic's. To learn more about her watch:
<https://youtu.be/xSKIESB1Pfs>

**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

"Every baptised person not yet confirmed can and should receive the sacrament of Confirmation. Since Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist form a unity".

The proposed date for the celebration of the sacrament is Wednesday 21st May 2025 at St. Hugh of Lincoln Church, with Bishop John (TBC).

The dates for Catechesis (which will take place in the Parish Centre 6.30pm) are as follows:

**30th January
27th February
27th March**



Mass Intentions

Lately Dead

Requiescat in pace

Babs Keenan, John Hopkins, Stephen Laing, Denis Farr, Martin Moran

Intention

A special intention, in thanksgiving, John Farnworth, Marie Boylan,

Anniversaries Masses

Carole McGurty, Vincent Fowler, Edward McKeown, Denis Walsh, Stephen Pickup, Daniel McGrory, Bob Perry, Bill Kielty

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

John Gibbons, Maureen Boylan, Jenny Marks, Emma Coulson, Maureen Whalley, Pam Clark, Marian Kerrigan, Mary Tunstall, Patrick Rogan, Angela Consideine, Sheila Clegg, Andrew Roche, Anne Smyth, Therese Williams, Little Rhia Brooke, Michelle Clegg, Gerry Smyth, Bride McLaughlin, Sian McManamon, Bernard Walker, Mark Daly, Amy, Leo Turnbull, Anne Turnbull, Jo Orford

Names of sick parishioners cannot be published without consent of the individual.

Masses are published as they are received.

**SALFORD
LOURDES**

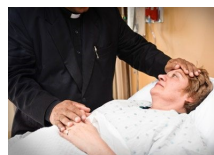


Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes Bookings are now being taken for the 2025 Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes.

This year's pilgrimage will take place between 31st July and 6th August.

For more information on how to book as a pilgrim or register as a volunteer, please visit <https://www.salfordlourdes.co.uk>

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.*



CARITAS SUNDAY Did you know that on Sunday 26th January, we will be marking Caritas Sunday? Today is the annual occasion to celebrate the work of our diocesan charity, Caritas Diocese of Salford. To find out more about the work of Caritas Salford and how you can get involved, please visit <https://www.caritassalford.org.uk/campaign/caritas-sunday/>. There will be a retiring collection after all Sunday Masses next weekend.



JUBILEE YEAR PARISH PILGRIMAGE as a Parish we will be soon traveling to Assisi (I will arrange a meeting after my little break). Just a little reminder that all those who join the pilgrimage are granted an indulgence during this Jubilee Year. Here are

the flight and hotel details: 28th April 25. 10.15hrs Depart Manchester T3 arrive Rome 13.55hrs. 03rd May 25. Depart Rome 11.35hrs arrive Manchester 13.25hrs. Accommodation is at www.casaleonori.com There may be a couple of places still available. If you would like to join us please see Fr. K



Pilgrims of Hope and A Popular History of the Diocese of Salford books on sale. Two brand new books, Pilgrims of Hope, and A Popular History of the Diocese of Salford, written by Monsignor John Allen have gone on sale - with proceeds going to our diocesan charity Caritas Salford. The books, which give fascinating insights into the Catholic history of Greater Manchester and Lancashire can be purchased from the Caritas: www.caritassalford.org.uk/pilgrimbook and www.caritassalford.org.uk/historybook

Mercy Brothers Join us for a family-friendly night of musical entertainment with clergy band, The Mercy Brothers. The concert will raise funds for our Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage Fund, which supports our sick pilgrims and medical team. The concert will take place on Friday 21 February at Hough End Centre, Chorlton. Doors open at 7.30pm. Tickets cost £20 (free for under 16s) and includes a hot supper. Book now: www.salfordlourdes.co.uk/fundraising or phone the pilgrimage office on 0161 817 2209.

Jubilee for Communications In celebration of the Holy Year, we are having a Jubilee of Jubilees to shine a light on a number of different themes represented in our diocese. We begin with our Jubilee for Communications, in which we explore this month's Gospels to reflect on how we can share the Good News in our world today. Access the resources now at <https://dioceseofsalford.org.uk/news/jubilee-2025/calendar/>

Laudato Si' Centre Gardening Club The Diocese of Salford's environment hub, The Laudato Si' Centre, is delighted to announce a regular gardening club, taking place on Fridays. Parish groups and volunteers are invited to join the team at the Centre to explore sustainable gardening techniques, top tips, and to come together in shared faith to care for our common home. Email laudatosi@dioceseofsalford.org.uk to find out more.

Prayer Group. Please note from Tuesday 9th December meetings will take place in people's homes from 2pm till 4pm. All are welcome to attend. For more information contact Bernice Breary 0161 748 9885.

Pilgrims of Hope Jubilee in our Diocese Pope Francis has declared that the year 2025 will be a Holy Year of Jubilee for the Catholic Church, an event that takes place once every 25 years and offers the faithful an opportunity to renew their relationship with God, each other, and all of creation. Over the coming months, there will be plenty of opportunities for you to observe this special year of grace in our own diocese. To find out more about the Jubilee and how to get involved, please visit <https://dioceseofsalford.org.uk/news/jubilee-2025/>

Jubilee of Youth - Pilgrimage to Rome Young adults across the diocese are invited to join our diocesan Youth Ministry Team for a special pilgrimage to Rome next year. Pilgrims will be travelling to Rome for the Jubilee of Youth, announced by Pope Francis at the 2023 World Youth Day. Our pilgrimage will take place between 28th July and 4th August. Email youth@dioceseofsalford.org.uk to find out more.

Accessible Prayer Walk The Diocese of Salford's Laudato Si' Centre is teaming up with diocesan charity Caritas Salford to host an accessible prayer walk. The session offers an opportunity to explore the beautiful, accessible grounds of the Laudato Si' Centre along with a peaceful prayer reflection, taking place between 10 and 11.30am on Friday 31st January. Find out more and register by emailing laudatosi@dioceseofsalford.org.uk

Advice as energy bills continue to rise If you, anyone you know, or someone in your wider parish community is in need of support around rising energy bills, Caritas Salford has put together some helpful advice on their website. You can find out more by visiting <https://www.caritassalford.org.uk/fuel-poverty-challenges/> and can also find details on the website page on how to arrange a session with their energy advice service team.



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 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 note 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"

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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 over 7 they must be treated as an adult and must follow an adapted RCIA programme.

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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, Lorna & Jonathan as they prepare to celebrate the sacrament together in 2025!



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