



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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## Pasch (Easter) 2025



				<i>PARISH MASS TIMES</i>
<i>Tue</i>	<i>22</i>			<i>Easter Octave</i>
<i>9.30am</i>	<i>EM</i>	Mass		
<i>Wed</i>	<i>23</i>			<i>Easter Octave</i>
<i>9.30am</i>	<i>SM</i>	Mass		
<i>Thu</i>	<i>24</i>			<i>Easter Octave</i>
<i>9.30am</i>	<i>EM</i>	Mass		
<i>Fri</i>	<i>25</i>			<i>Easter Octave</i>
<i>9.30am</i>	<i>SM</i>	Mass		
<i>Sat</i>	<i>26</i>			<i>Easter Octave</i>
<i>10.00am</i>	<i>EM</i>	Confession & Adoration		
<i>11.00am</i>	<i>EM</i>	Mass		
<i>5.00pm</i>	<i>SM</i>	Confession		
<i>5.30pm</i>	<i>SM</i>	Vigil Mass		
<i>Sun</i>	<i>27</i>			<i>2nd Sunday of Easter</i>
<i>9.30am</i>	<i>EM</i>	Mass		
<i>11.30am</i>	<i>SM</i>	Mass		
<i>1.30pm</i>	<i>EM</i>	Baptism		

Dear Parishioners,  
 Maybe I am feeling a little nostalgic but I've been pondering the words of St. John Paul who in 2003 after reminding us that the love of God is fully and definitively revealed in the Paschal Mystery, commented that after his Resurrection, the Lord appears several times to his disciples and meets them on various occasions. **I am a firm believer that what was true then is most certainly true today.** In the Resurrection narratives the disciples often need faith to correct their senses and especially their eyesight; they do not often recognise the Risen One present amongst them until their eyes (hearts and minds) are opened by faith. So is true for you and me today! We too are witnesses to the resurrection, we too encounter the Risen One. He comes to us in simplicity and yet it is through our faith that we recognise His presence in the Sacrament of the Eucharist. When you and I meet Him in the Mass; then we can echo the words of the empty tomb: "Christ is risen!" "He is Risen, indeed!"

God Bless you all.

Fr. Kieren

"Christ is risen; Christ is alive in our midst; truly present in the Sacrament of the Eucharist, he offers himself as the Bread of salvation, Bread for the poor, the Food of wayfarers.  
 O divine presence of love,  
 O living memorial of Christ our Pasch, for the suffering and the dying you are food for their journey, for everyone you are the sure pledge of eternal life!  
 O Mary, the first tabernacle of history, ... silent witness of the wonders of Easter, "The Lord is risen from the tomb; for our sake he hung on the Cross".  
 Christ is risen, our peace and our hope. He is risen. Alleluia!" St. John Paul II 2003

**A BIG THANK YOU** to all the Parish co-ordinators, musicians, EMHC, readers, servers, flower arrangers, cleaners ... who work so hard and often in the back ground to prepare the Parish for all Solemn Occasions. You have done a wonder job again and on behalf of the whole Parish, I would like simply to say THANK YOU!

God Bless you all! Fr. K



### 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 date for the celebration of the sacrament is Wednesday 21st May 2025 at St. Hugh of Lincoln Church, with Bishop John 7.00pm

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION** at the last Deanery Conference, it was noted by the Clergy that the Diocese since the pandemic has not provided any updated guidance regarding the role of EMHC. If I discover how to create another day in the week I hope to offer some training after the summer.

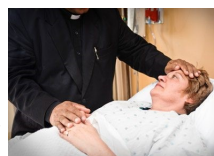
In the mean time - can I just thank you all as the points below are a lot of Do Not's - it was suggested that EMHC are reminded of the following:

1. Ministry is restricted to within the boundaries of the Parish to which you are commissioned. You should not cross Parish and especially Diocesan boundaries (or enter hospitals) as you are NOT a EMHC outside the Parish.
2. If you have been commissioned in the Hospital (Trafford) your ministry is similarly limited, and unless you are commissioned also within the Parish your ministry cannot be exercised.
3. If you are bringing the Blessed Sacrament to the sick, you must always receive the sacrament from Parish you are commissioned in.
4. You should not remove the Blessed Sacrament from the Tabernacle without informing the Parish Priest.
5. When offering a blessing, do not bless with the Host.
6. All EMHC must have a valid DBS. If your DBS is no longer in date you must cease exercising your ministry until your DBS can be renewed.



During the Easter Holidays why not visit the cinema and learn more about the Easter Story?

**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.*



### Mass Intentions

#### Lately Dead

*Requiescat in pace*

Micheal Donnelly, Austin Hanlon (4), Josie Behan, Philomena Gormley

#### Intention

A special intention, in thanksgiving, Alex Ferguson

#### Anniversaries Masses

James Coulson, Andrew Towey

#### PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

John Gibbons, Maureen Boylan, Jenny Marks, Emma Coulson, Maureen Whalley, Marian Kerrigan, Mary Tunstall, 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, Leo Turnbull, Anne Turnbull, Jo Orford, Tom Parry, Mary Doolan

**Names cannot be published without consent of the individual.**

**Masses are published as they are received.**

### SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME 2024 - 2025

#### CHILDRENS CATECHESIS

Catechesis on Saturday 9.30am - 11.00am (PC)

Catechesis on Sunday 9.45am - 11.15am (JR)

◆ Sat/Sun 10th/11th May

◆ Sat/Sun 17th/18th May

#### PARENT CATECHESIS

Catechesis on Thursday 6.30pm (PC)

◆ 8th May

◆ 22nd May

#### Holy Communion Mass SM

14th June (Noon) St. Monica's Church

#### Holy Communion Mass OLOR

21st June (Noon) St. Monica's Church

#### Holy Communion Mass EM

28th June (Noon) St. Monica's Church

**BUILDING UPDATE** please note that repair work will begin in English Martyrs' Church on 12th May (hopefully for only 2 weeks). This will not affect Sunday Mass (or any booked baptisms), however all weekday Masses during the period of repair will be celebrated at St. Monica's.



**HOLY COMMUNION 2025-2026** the new programme will begin after the Summer. I would like to invite parents of children currently in Year 2 to an Introductory Meeting on Wednesday 11th June (6.15pm) in the Parish Centre (Davyhulme Road).

**CAN YOU HELP?** as you are all aware sadly most if not all the banks in Urmston have closed or are closing. This makes getting "coin bags" difficult as the Post Office only offers a limited number. If you have any coin bags at home and would like to get rid of them please pass them on to Fr. K.

**PLEASE NOTE** that the newsletter will not be uploaded to the Parish Website for the next 2 weeks, although it will still be sent out electronically.



**EASTER WATER** Throughout the Easter Octave and Easter Season do not forget to collect some Easter Water. This Easter water may be taken home to bless the house, as well as Easter food.

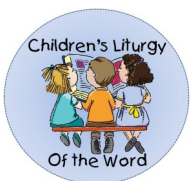
**REQUIEM MASS OF MICHEAL DONNELLY** please note that the Requiem Mass of the late Michael Donnelly will take place at 11.00am St. Hugh of Lincoln church on Thursday 24th April.

**REQUIEM MASS OF JOSIE BEHAN** will take place at English Martyrs' church on Friday 9th May (10.00am).

**ENVELOPES** If you haven't collected your envelopes they have been moved to the Parish Office, please contact Amanda directly to arrange pick up.

**PRO-LIFE COFFEE MORNING AND Q&A WITH THE MARCH FOR LIFE TEAM AND SPECIAL GUEST, RACHEL MACKENZIE** Come along to a pro-life themed coffee morning in the hall of Salford Cathedral on Saturday 10th May after the 10am Mass. Enjoy a hot drink with a biscuit/cake and ask any pro-life questions to our friendly team from March for Life UK and Rachel's Vineyard at the live Q&A session.

For further details contact [info@marchforlife.co.uk](mailto:info@marchforlife.co.uk)



**CHILDREN'S LITURGY** will return on the 3rd Sunday of Easter. Many thanks to all the volunteers that enables this wonderful ministry. If you would like to join the team please speak to Fr. K and info can be passed onto co-ordinators.

**Lourdes Diocesan Youth Group** Are you a young person looking to take part in a pilgrimage this year? Do you want to make new friends, build community, and grow in your faith together as a pilgrim of hope? Why not join the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes between 30th July to 7th August? Cost per person is £669, including travel by coach, hotel accommodation, and all meals. Young people can join one of three age groups made up of young pilgrims from across the diocese: 13-15 (aspiring volunteers), 16-17, and 18+. For more information or to register, please email [youth@dioceseofsalford.org.uk](mailto:youth@dioceseofsalford.org.uk).

**CAFOD** (the Catholic Agency For Overseas Development) has shared details of its Myanmar Earthquake Appeal. Funds raised for this appeal will provide much-needed water, food, solar lights, mosquito nets and water purification tablets to those devastated by this disaster. Your generosity will extend far and wide and will help the Catholic Church in Myanmar bring comfort and relief to families who are in urgent need. Visit [cafod.org.uk/myanmar](https://cafod.org.uk/myanmar) to find out more and donate.

**Diocesan Pilgrimage to Ladyewell** Join us for a prayerful pilgrimage this summer as we visit Our Lady's shrine at Ladyewell. Situated on the doorstep of our diocese, this day pilgrimage presents a wonderful opportunity to take up the Jubilee call to pilgrimage without travelling too far away from home. The pilgrimage will take place on Saturday 28th June. For more information and to register, please visit <https://dioceseofsalford.org.uk/ladyewell-pilgrimage-2025>

**Mass to Celebrate Jubilee Wedding Anniversaries** Are you celebrating a special anniversary this year? Join us on Tuesday 3rd June at 7pm at St Bernadette's in Whitefield. Couples celebrating a Jubilee Wedding Anniversary during this Holy Year of Jubilee are invited to join us for this special celebration and to acknowledge this wonderful Sacrament. Friends and family are welcome and everyone is invited to join for refreshments after Mass.

Email: [formation@dioceseofsalford.org.uk](mailto:formation@dioceseofsalford.org.uk)

**Two-Child Benefit Cap Survey** Caritas Social Action Network (CSAN) has recently launched a lived experience survey to better understand the impact of the two-child benefit cap on Catholic families in England and Wales and to explore how parishes are supporting families in need. Your responses will contribute to a short report/briefing, and insights gathered will inform further advocacy work to support families affected by the cap, as well as other financial hardship. You can find the survey here: <https://www.csan.org.uk/news/familysurvey/>

## 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 from the beginning of May 2025 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 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"*  
(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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## 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