SAINT ROBERT OF NEWMINSTER PARISH



Incorporating the Parishes of:

St. Mary of the Angels & St. Clare Church, Elbow St, Levenshulme, M19 3PY
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22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

Sunday 1st September 2024.

Reflection:

In today's Gospel reading. Jesus is accused of flouting sacred tradition. Religious officials from Jerusalem and local Pharisees want to know why Jesus permits his disciples to disregard the unwritten tradition of the elders. What was the problem? That the disciples did not wash their hands before they ate. The complaint is not that the disciples ignore good hygiene, but that they ignored the tradition of ceremonial washing. In doing this they are numbered among the unclean.

Jesus accuses his accusers of being hypocrites, quoting the prophet Isaiah to underline the point: *This people honour me only with lip-service, while their hearts are far from me. The worship they offer me is worthless, the doctrines they teach are only human regulations.*

Jesus is interested in the stirrings of the human heart, the personal issues that preoccupy us and influences our choices and behaviour. The territory within, with all its complex emotions and desires, holds Jesus' attention. He knows that no external laws can change people's hearts, even if it makes them socially conform. That is, why, when he began his preaching, he invited everyone: "Set your hearts first on the kingdom of God." Jesus believes that when people's hearts are centred on God, they are emancipated from the litany of human regulations that would script their every move.

Pray for the Sick and Housebound. PLEASE READ ANNOUNCEMENT NO 1.

We pray the Good Lord will strengthen and comfort all the sick and we pray also for all who care for the sick and elderly.

May God grant eternal rest to those who have died recently.

John Jordan. John Hennessy. Patrick Flynn, James Clarke

Memorial Anniversary Elaine McGuire (3rd) Catherine Barrett (24th) Seamus Gallogly (5th) Ann Black (2nd)

Special Intention Chris Kinnear. Rose Gibbens. Mary Brady

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS.

1. Fr Kris informed us last weekend that the Diocese has requested all Parishes obtain consent from any person whose name is documented on the sick list

DIOCESE OF SALFORD If your name or the name of a friend or relative of yours is on the parish list of prayers for those who are sick, and you would like that name to remain on the list, would you please complete the consent form at the back of church or contact the Parish office on 0161-248-8836 either Monday or Thursday Morning.

We need to make sure that you or your friend or family member have consented to their name being on that list. This is because the list can be seen by a lot of people, as it is available for anyone to pick up in church and is also published on the internet through the parish website.

The list will be restarted with the names of all for whom the parish have received consent. This is necessary to make sure the church takes proper care of your information and complies with current data protection law.

Completed forms can be left in the post box at the back of church or handed in at the office.

- 2. Next week there will be a second collection for the Catholic Education Service.
- 3. Please remember in your prayers our children, parents and teachers as they return to school next week to start the new academic year.
- 4. World Youth Day ROME 2025: Pilgrimage for aged 16-35yrs old, takes place between 28 July and 3 August. For more details and registration information email youth@dioceseofsalford.org.uk
- 5. **Diocese Pilgrimage to Rome 2025:** There are a number of pilgrimages to celebrate the 2025 pilgrims of Hope Jubilee including pilgrimage to Rome in September led by Bishop John which is now open. Please call 0161 773 2115 or visit https://www.northernstartravel.com/Tours/Rome to book.
- 6. We humbly appeal to parishioners to kindly return the hymn books to the stand in the porch after Mass and not leave them on the pews. Also please ensure you kindly switch off your mobile phones before Mass.
- 7. When the Blessed Sacrament is exposed during Adoration, please avoid greeting or talking inside the Church, or walking around to light candles.
- 8. Items for the newsletter can be left in the post box at the back of church, contact the Parish Office on 0161-248-8836 or email info@stmaryslevenshulme.co.uk by noon on Thursday each week.
- Offertory collection Sunday 25/8//2024
 St. Mary's: £304.53 St. Richard's: £233.80 Total: £538.33.

Thank you for your offerings

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Day	Time	Church	Liturgy	Mass Intention
Vigil Mass Saturday 31 ST	5:00 pm	St Richard's	Mass	John Jordan RIP
·	6.30 pm	St Mary's	Mass	Seamus Joseph Gallogly 5th Anniversary Ann Black 2 nd Anniversary
Sunday 1ST	9:30 am	St Richard's	Mass	Elaine McGuire 3 rd Anniversary
	11:00 am	St Mary's	Mass	Catherine Barrett 24 th Anniversary Ann Black 2 nd Anniversary
Monday 2nd	No	Mass	Today	j
Tuesday 3rd	9:30 am 1pm	St Mary's St Mary's	Mass Funeral Mass	Rose Gibben and Mary Brady Special Intentions
Wednesday 4 th	9:15am	St Richard's	Mass	John Jordan RIP
Thursday 5 th	9:30am	St Mary's	Mass	Patrick Flynn RIP
Friday 6 th	9:15am	St Richard's	Mass	John Jordan RIP
Saturday 7th	10am	St Mary's	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Confession	
			Mass	Chris Kinnear Special Intention