

SAINT ROBERT OF NEWMINSTER PARISH



Incorporating the Parishes of:
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21th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

Sunday 25th August 2024.

Reflection:

During first century A.D. Christians met with a lot of hostility both from the Jews and from the gentiles (“pagan”) among whom they lived. One of the things that the gentiles accused them of was that they were cannibals. That accusation was based on the Christians’ claim of eating the flesh and drinking the blood of Jesus during their Eucharistic celebrations (the “breaking of bread,” as it was called). What the accusers did not know was that Christians ate the flesh of Jesus and drank his blood under the species of bread and wine, not the raw flesh and blood of Jesus, which would have made them really and properly cannibals.

Many of those who first heard Jesus’ promise to give his flesh as food and his blood as drink had the same problem and said it was “intolerable language” and they “stooped going with him.” The twelve (Apostles) kept faith with Jesus, when Jesus asked if they too wanted to go away, Simon Peter, always the spokesperson, answered, “Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the message of eternal life, and we believe; we know that you are the Holy One of God.” In other words, “whatever you say, Lord, we believe you.

That must be the attitude of every authentic disciple of Jesus even today: to take Jesus at his word, all his word, and nothing but his word. If we really want to be disciples of Jesus, we must be prepared to accept his message in its entirety both the aspect we find palatable and others that we are uncomfortable with, just as the Twelve Apostles did.

Pray for the Sick and Housebound.

Eileen Tiernan, Delia Regan, Mia O’Connor, George O’Connor, Becky Lester, Patrick Rogers, Ray Sweeney, Rob Stuart, Lucy Murphy, John Maskell, Alisha Malone, Maise Callaghan, Damien Hegarty, John Tunney, John Reynolds, Mary Callaghan, Sarah & Stacey Todd, Bryne Lynch, Kathleen McGuigan, Maureen Kennedy, Margaret McAteer, Frank Kelly, Jackson Giles, Judy Miller, Alan Smith, Christine Jackson, Irene Rice, Karen Rice, Keith and Linda Marshal, Mary Brennan, Louise Marshal, Jim McGlynn, Declan Coyle, Paul and Kath McIlvenny, Maria Morrissey, Anne Leavey, Lee Hegarty, John Coyne. Elizabeth Brennan. Veronica Curran. John Monaghan. Patricia McGuire. Winnie McDermott. Mary Reilly. Mary McGlade. Joe Furey. Pauline Flynn. Michael Cassidy. Fr David Egan. Paul Roberts. Kathleen Beech. Martina McGeehan. Eileen Toth. Alison Briceland. Catherine Hennessey. Liam Toland. Jean McLean. John Fitzgerald. Cyril Corcoran. Jean Angus. Sr Edith.

We pray the Good Lord will strengthen and comfort them 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. Joyce McLean. Yvonne Brown. Marie McDonald. Brian Mulrey
Memorial Anniversary Patrick Flynn (1st) Vera Hogan (5th)

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Day	Time	Church	Liturgy	Mass Intention
Vigil Mass Saturday 24th	5:00 pm	St Richard's	Mass	John Jordan RIP
	6.30 pm	St Mary's	Mass	Marie McDonald Rip Yvonne Brown RIP
Sunday 25th	9:30 am	St Richard's	Mass	Patrick Flynn (1 st) Anniversary Vera Hogan 5 th Anniversary
	11:00 am	St Mary's	Mass	
Monday 26th	No	Mass	Today	
Tuesday 27th	9:30 am	St Mary's	Mass	John Jordan RIP
	1pm	St Mary's	Funeral Mass	John Francis Hennessy RIP
Wednesday 28th	9:15am	St Richard's	Mass	John Jordan RIP
	7pm	St Mary's	Mass with Fr Gambella	For the intentions of our Parishioners
Thursday 29th	9:30am	St Mary's	Mass	Yvonne Brown RIP John Jordan RIP
Friday 30th	9:15am	St Richard's	Mass	John Jordan RIP
Saturday 31st	10am	St Mary's	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Confession	Brian Mulrey RIP John Jordan RIP
	11am		Mass	

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS.

1. Kindly switch off your mobile phones before Mass.
2. When the Blessed Sacrament is exposed during Adoration, please avoid greeting or talking inside the Church, or walking around to light candles.
3. **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
4. **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.
5. 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. Thank you for helping
6. This Wednesday 28th August, Fr Laurence Gambella will be visiting the Parish and will say Mass at 7pm at St Mary's, followed by a meet and greet/cup of tea in the Hall.
7. 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.
8. **March For Life, London September 7th 2024** if you wish to attend to uphold the rights of unborn children and in the interests of the welfare and well-being of their mothers and fathers? If so, you are welcome to travel on the train as a group booking is being organised from Manchester Piccadilly station or from Stockport station to London Euston station and return. To book your place please contact Julia Mullan by e-mail this week at richandju@gmail.com or ring 07803207713 . <https://www.marchforlife.co.uk/2024-event-page/>
9. Offertory collection – Sunday 18/8//2024

St. Mary's: £368.10 St. Richard's: £185.30 Total: **£553.40. Thank you**

