

SAINT ROBERT OF NEWMINSTER PARISH



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24th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

Sunday 15th September 2024.

Reflection:

Whenever you have a public personality, people soon begin to form various opinions, some good, others not so good. That was the case with Jesus. People were saying all sorts of things about him. In today's gospel passage, we learn that he asked his disciples to tell him what people were saying about him. They were polite enough to tell him only the good things: that he was John the Baptist, Elijah or one of the prophets. They did not tell him that some people were calling him other unflattering names like glutton, drunkard, friend of sinners, even Beelzebul, prince of devils.

None of these mattered to Jesus but he was more interested in what his own disciples were saying about him. That was his next question, "But you, who do you say I am." Peter's reply was spot on: "You are the Christ." What Peter meant was that Jesus was the *Messiah* (the Hebrew for the Greek *Christos*, from where the English *Christ comes*). Nobody had ever called Jesus that before.

We need to ask ourselves Who Jesus is and what Jesus means to us. Founder of a religion?

Revolutionary Jewish reformer? One of the great teachers? Son of God and personal Savior? This can be broken down into other questions: "How do I really see Jesus? Is Jesus a living experience for me, walking with me, loving me, forgiving me, helping me, and transforming my life and outlook? What difference does Jesus make in my life? Have I really given my life to Jesus? Are there areas where I have excluded Jesus, where my life is not noticeably different from the lives of those who see Jesus as irrelevant? Who do we say that Jesus is through our daily life? Who do we say that Jesus is when we are in the presence of those who do not know Jesus, those who are not interested in Jesus? What does the way we live and behave say about who Jesus is? Is the joy, the love, the peace that we find in Jesus reflected in the way we live our lives? We are gathered here today in the Name of Jesus. We have not come together to celebrate a continuing memorial for a merely good man who died long ago. We are here to celebrate the death and Resurrection of Christ, the Son of God and Son of Man, the Messiah, our Lord, and personal Savior, in this Eucharistic celebration in which we directly encounter the Living God. "The salvation which Christ has already won for all is not yet complete. It must be accepted, embraced, and acted out in the free lives of believers today." (Catechism for Filipino Catholics).

Pray for the Sick and Housebound. Michael Cassidy. John Fitzgerald. Liam Toland. Cyril Corcoran. Sr Edith. John Tunney. Eileen Toth. Anne Leavy. Maria Morrissey, Margaret McAteer. Mary McGlade. Kathleen Beech

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.

James Clarke. Mary Reilly. Mattie Walsh. James Cunliffe. PJ McIntyre.

Memorial Anniversary: Patrick Durkin. James Brennan (1st)

Birthday Anniversary: Phelim Clerkin

Special Intention: Ann and Tom Breyheany 50th Anniversary

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS.

1. Sister Edith requests your prayers please, it was the 60th anniversary of her Religious Profession on the 8th September and due to ill health she has postponed any celebration until the end of the year, health permitting.
2. Escorted Tour to Ireland to include venerating St. Bernadette's Relics. Sunday 03rd November 2024. £899.00 pps. Price includes flight, 10kg hold luggage, 5 nights' in 4* Castlecourt Hotel, Westport with Dinner, Bed & Breakfast. Lunch on certain days. All entertainment, excursions and transport included. Visit St Bernadette's Relics, Knock Shrine, Galway City, Croagh Patrick, Ballintubber Abbey & Fr. Peyton Centre. Single supplement on Enquiry. Contact Patricia on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com. See poster in the porch
3. St Mary's RC Primary School: have 4 open mornings planned for the autumn term. This is an opportunity for parents/carers to come and visit our school when they are considering a school place for their child. Open mornings for parent/carers considering a place for a Nursery or Reception place for September 2025. These will take place from 9am to 10am on: Thursday 3rd October Thursday 17th October Thursday 7th November Thursday 28th November. Please ring Mrs Kent-Brown, in the school office, on 0161 224 5995 to book onto a date that suits you.
4. Completed forms for names to be placed on the sick list can be left in the post box at the back of church or handed in at the office.
5. This week the second collection is for the for Home Missions.
6. 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
7. Offertory collection – Sunday 8.9.2024
St. Mary's: £464.42 St. Richard's: £108.87 Total: **£573.29 plus** £50 anonymous donation
Thank you for your offerings.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Day	Time	Church	Liturgy	Mass Intention
Vigil Mass Saturday 14th	5:00 pm	St Richard's	Mass	Months mind for James Cunliffe James Brennan 1 st Memorial Anniversary
	6:30 pm	St Mary's	Mass	
Sunday 15th	9:30 am	St Richard's	Mass	Patrick Durkin Anniversary
	11:00 am	St Mary's	Mass	Anne and Tom Breheany 50 th Anniversary
Monday 16th	No	Mass	Today	
Tuesday 17th	9:30 am	St Mary's	Mass	Special Intention Eileen Toth
Wednesday 18th	9:15am	St Richard's	Mass	Mattie Walsh RIP
Thursday 19th	11:00 am	St Mary's	Funeral Mass for	Mary Reilly RIP
Friday 20th	9:15am	St Richard's	Mass	PJ McIntyre RIP
	12 noon	St Mary's	Funeral Mass for	James Clarke RIP
Saturday 21st	10am	St Mary's	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Confession Mass	Birthday remembrance Phelim Clerkin
	11am			