

SAINT ROBERT OF NEWMINSTER PARISH.



Incorporating the Parishes of:

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33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

Sunday 17 November 2024.

Reflection:

HE WILL GATHER HIS CHOSEN

Many in the past and till date have predicted the end of the world. They always give a specific date that the world will end but they have always been proved wrong. Jesus says, "But as for that day or hour, nobody knows it, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son; no one but the father" (Mt. 24:36). That is not to say that the world will not end. It may happen in few years or in a million millennia to come but it will most certainly happen on a date and an hour that the father alone knows. As Christians, we know it will, but its end will coincide with the second coming of Christ "to judge the living and the dead" (2 Timothy 4:1).

Whenever predictions of the end of the world are made, different people react differently. Most people panic, they are frightened. Some people as a matter of fact sold their properties others committed suicide because they did not want to witness the end of the world. Perhaps the fear cannot be far-fetched from what Jesus says about the events that will precede the end of the world. There will be an unprecedented cataclysm: "... *the sun will be darkened, the moon will lose its brightness, the stars will come falling from heaven and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.*" That should be enough to scare even the bravest of heart. Another reason why many people are equally frightened is that they do not know what their lot will be after the end of this world: will it be a happy one or a sad one, to be blunter, will it be heaven or hell for all eternity.

There are people perhaps a small minority who know that they are at rights with God, having done the Will of God as dictated by their conscience, those who have loved as the bible says we must; that is, they have loved God above all else in their lives and their neighbours as Jesus has loved us (John 15:12). They are the ones that today's gospel passage refers to as "his Chosen", who will be gathered from the four winds, "from the ends of the world to the ends of heaven". Or, as mentioned in the first reading, they are the people who will be spared, "all those whose names are found in the book". At the approach of the end of the liturgical year, these thoughts about the end of the world are apt to help us decide where we want to be on the side of those who panic at the mention of the end of the world or that of those who remain calm, unperturbed at the prospect. The choice is only ours to make. No one else can make it for us.

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. Martina McGeehan. Jean Angus. Irene and Karen Rice. Paul and Kath McNenny. Keith and Linda Marshall, Jim McGlynn.

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. Doreen Davies. Fr Brendan Curley. Maud Deay, Petru Cosmin Miha, Frank Hanlon, Msgr. John Chaloner and Fr. Brendan Curley, Sr. M. Frances Joyle, RNDM

Memorial Anniversary: Vincent Fahey (6th Anniversary)

Special Intentions; Duffy McFlow's family

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. The next meeting regarding our Christmas Fair will be today, Sunday 10th November after 11am Mass in the Parish Centre, please we encourage all who can to attend as we need lots of volunteers to make it a success.

If you can help on the day of the Christmas Fair (1st December) but cannot attend the meeting, please contact Peggy Sweeney.

2. Kindly bring a framed photo (max size 8x10 inches) of your departed loved ones to display on our Altar of Remembrance throughout the month of November. Please include contact info on the back of the frame (name and number.)
3. Posters in the porch regarding Caritas Mass of Remembrance will be held on 13th November and a pilgrimage to Walsingham departing from St Alphonsus Church in Old Trafford.
4. Fiona Keane would like to thank those people who took part in 'The Big Listen' on the Synod. Four main themes have emerged from this meeting:
Nurturing Faith for Tomorrow's World, Building Connections, Enabling Access, And Fostering Christ Like Care.
 Kindly pick one big white envelope at the back of the church with questionnaire enclosed. Your feedback is urgently needed on some questions from the Theme One & Theme Two. Questionnaires for Theme Three and Theme Four will follow. Please answer the questions and place your responses in the box at the back of the Church over the next few weeks.
 Fiona needs your feedback by 16 December 2024 as she must submit these to the diocesan portal by 27 December 2024.
 If you cannot attend Mass over the next few weeks but would like to take part, please contact Fiona on 07748516898 and she will ensure your opinions are included.
5. Mass for the deceased clergy and people buried in our deanery cemeteries at St. Bernard's, Burnage on 12 Nov at 11am.
6. Parish Pastoral Council Meeting is on Tuesday 12th Nov by 6:30pm. All concern should kindly be available and attend.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Day	Time	Church	Liturgy	Mass Intention
Vigil Mass Saturday 16/11/2024	5:00 pm	St Richard's	Mass	Peggy Gormley RIP (25 yrs Memorial Anni) Flannon Griffin RIP (Memorial Anniversary0
	6.30 pm	St Mary's	Mass	
Sunday 17/11/2024	9:30 am	St Richard's	Mass	John McFlow RIP, Laura John Maloney RIP, Brendan Lavin RIP (memorial Anni), Doreen Davies RIP
	11:00 am	St. Mary's	Mass	
Monday 18/11/2024	No	Mass	Today	
Tuesday 19/11/2024	9:30 am	St. Mary's	Mass	
Wednesday 20/11/2024	9:15am	St Richard's	Mass	
Thursday 21/11/2024	9:30 am	St Mary's	Mass	
Friday 22/11/2024	9:15 am	St Richard's	Mass	For the Souls of all the Faithful Departed For all Souls of Departed Parishioners
Saturday 23/11/2024	10 am	St Mary's	Exposition And Adoration.	For the Souls of Departed Parishioners
	11:00 am		Confession during Adoration Mass	