

## SAINT ROBERT OF NEWMINSTER PARISH.



### Incorporating the Parishes of:

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### THIRD WEEK OF EASTER. SUNDAY. 4<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2025.

Mass Readings are on Page 259 in the Mass Book.

#### Reflection:

In a polite society you are not supposed to go around asking people questions like “who do you say I am?” or “Do you love me?” perhaps because the answer s might be deadening. In today’s gospel reading however, Jesus asked Peter three times if he really loves him.

Remember that before the crucifixion Peter had not exactly distinguished himself. Three times he denied being a disciple of Jesus and knowing anything about him. The man Jesus chooses to exercise primacy of authority is the one who is aught out by a servant girl as he lies insistently. He is the man who is arrested by a cock crowing in the dark. From the epilogue of John’s gospel, after the crucifixion, the disciples all returned to their old trade of fishing, there was no suggestion that they still believed they had a mission to carry out, their hopes were dashed as they tried to cope with the loss of the one who had changed their lives and called them to be his disciples.

After a long night’s of fishing the disciples caught nothing and a distant figure on the shore tells them to try again, they did, and they caught so many fish, and the beloved disciple identifies the figure as Jesus.

After the meal Jesus asks Peter three times about the reality of his love. Insisting on love is something of a hallmark when it comes to Jesus. Three times Peter affirms his love, as three times Jesus insists on and when Peter professes his love for Jesus, Jesus commissioned him to care for his flock, in love. And that was exactly what Peter did as we heard from the first reading today.

The question of Jesus, “Do you love me?” is openly directed to us hoping for an answer. The question comes from One who had gone through enormous trouble to first assure us that he really and truly loves us, very much interested in our future than our past failures. He died for us!

That kind of person is worth letting through our defences and locked doors.

**We Pray for the sick and housebound** – May God grant them good health of mind and body.

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

Pope Francis. Patrick Murray. Nathan Sweeney. Mary McGlade. Caroline Howard. Una O’Connell. Patrick Ward.

(May their souls rest in peace),

**Memorial Anniversary:** Catherine Doyle. Kenneth Harwood, Kathleen Crean, Stella Kijowski. John and Hannah Reidy

**Special Intention:** Mary Hastings. Mary Doherty.

**Birthday Remembrance:** Renee Kane.

## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS.

1. The month of May is the month of Our Lady, there will be recitation of the Rosary 20 minutes before the Mass throughout the month of May. Please come to Church early enough to participate in the Rosary. Anyone who would like to lead the Rosary on any day please speak to Fr Kris.
2. Our prayers, appreciation and a big Thank you to an anonymous donor to the Parish and to Mary's Meals, both are greatly appreciated.
3. **Funerals at St Mary's in the Month of May**  
Patrick Murray RIP Evening Reception on 13th May at 6:30pm.  
Funeral Mass 14<sup>th</sup> May at 11:30am  
Mary McGlade RIP Funeral Mass on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> May at 10am  
Nathan Sweeney RIP Funeral Mass on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> May at 11:30 am
4. We kindly encourage you all to volunteer to serve our parish in various ministries in the parish as Lectors, Hospitality, Church Warden/Ushers, Church cleaning group, Eucharistic ministers, Choir, Altar server and as Organist.
5. We still need some volunteers to form a committee which will organise fund raising activities. The Parish needs regular events to raise money to fund the increasing costs of running the Churches and the Parish Hall. Anyone willing to be involved please speak to Fr Kris, phone the office or leave a note in the post box with your name and number. Thank you
6. **Mary's Meals.** For the month of May we will be collecting foreign currency, coins and notes as well as UK coins and notes that are no longer legal tender. Please check for any currency you cannot use and place it in the baskets at the back of Church. Thank you
7. **Mass to Celebrate Jubilee Wedding Anniversaries** Are you celebrating a special anniversary this year? Join us on Tuesday 3 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. For more information please email: [formation@dioceseofsalford.org.uk](mailto:formation@dioceseofsalford.org.uk)

## **SEE YOU AT MASS TO WORSHIP TOGETHER.**

### **Mass Schedule**

Saturday Vigil:	5:00 pm St. Richard's	6:30 pm St. Mary's
Sunday:	9:30 am St. Richard's	11:00 am St. Mary's

### **Daily Masses**

St. Mary's:	9:30 am – Tuesday & Thursday 10:00am – 11:00am Exposition/Adoration & Mass on Saturday 10:15 – 10:45 am – Sacrament of Reconciliation
St. Richard's:	9:15 am on Wednesday & Friday

### **Offertory collection for last week –**

St. Mary's £497.28    St. Richard's £259.98    TOTAL = £757.26

Thank you for your generosity.