## SAINT ROBERT OF NEWMINSTER PARISH.



#### Parishes of:

St. Mary of the Angels & St. Clare Church, Elbow St, Levenshulme, M19 3PY

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# Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time. 28th September 2025.

Mass Readings are on Page 143 in the Parish Mass Book.

#### Reflection:

Have you noticed that the rich man in today's Gospel passage has no name? The poor man has a name: Lazarus. Abraham and Moses are mentioned by name but the rich man is "some rich man," anonymous, unnamed. Why is that so? Why did Jesus choose not to give him a name? It was probably because the man's behaviour left much to be desired; it was nothing to write home about. Though the rich man was rich in material wealth, he had a lot of money, he dressed lavishly and feasted sumptuously but he was actually very poor, he lacked one essential component of humanity, one of the things that really make a person truly human – *He had no heart!* That was what made him so abjectly poor in spite of his enormous material wealth.

Because the man has no heart, he could not see the poor man, Lazarus, lying at his gate, covered with sores and longing to feed himself with the scraps that fell from the rich man's table. Also, because he had no heart, he could not feel. He had no feeling for the poor man, Lazarus, at his gate. At his death, what he was rich in could not get him into Abraham's bosom. He was poor in the things that could have gotten him there.

Our society today is full of people with no heart, with no feelings. Hence, we have so many poor people around us, yet many do not have feelings for them and many more refuse doing something. We do not have to be fabulously rich to help the poor and the needy around us. It is enough that we have something that the other person needs, and then we can share the little or much that we have with him or her.

We Pray for the sick and housebound John Fitzgerald. Cyril Corcoran. Sr Edith. Eileen Toth. Anne Leavy. Maria Morrissey, Margaret McAteer. Kathleen Beech. Martina McGeehan. Jean Angus. Irene, Karen Rice. Paul and Kath McInenny. Keith and Linda Marshall, Jim McGlynn. John Reilly. Mary McVarnock. May God grant them good health of mind and body.

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

Betty Costigan. Mary O'Donnell. Ellen McGinley (Finlan). Sarah Butcher. Gerald Moroney. Mary Smith. Elizabeth McDaid. Martin Gibbons.

Memorial Anniversary William Skeffington (1st) Kathleen Hamilton. John Woronycz (May their souls rest in peace)

Birthday Remembrance: Michael Hough

Special Intentions: Sean Foy. John McLaughlin. In thanksgiving to St Anthony. Karen, Irene and

Mike Rice. Mary Groarke. Pat and Christine Toland

#### PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS.

- 1. Parish Finance: January June 2025. This weekend we are appealing for parishioners to join the Gift Aid scheme, in an effort to increase our weekly income.
  - Current weekly average cost to run both Parishes is £2219 and the current weekly average income is £2245 which is from all sources eg offertory collections, gift aid, Mass offerings, funerals and all proceeds from the Parish centre.
- 2. Pat Smullen RIP Funeral Mass on Tuesday 30th September at 10am at St Mary's.
- 3. CAFOD Family Fast Day is Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> October. Please take an envelope from the back of Church for donations and return them before 10<sup>th</sup> October to Church. CAFOD hope to build underground water tanks to help farming families who currently walk for hours to access clean water.
- 4. A lunchtime organiser is required for St Richard's school. 7.5 hours per week term time only. Please visit the website <a href="mailto:admin@st-richards.manchester.sch.uk">admin@st-richards.manchester.sch.uk</a>. There is a poster in the church porch with relevant information. The Parish needs a person to manage the Hall and bar in St Mary's grounds. Anyone interested please speak to Fr Kris or contact the Parish office on 0161-248-8836 for further details.
- 5. On Monday 29th September 2025 from 12–4pm in St Mary's Hall we will be celebrating National Older Peoples Day. An afternoon filled with free music, laughter, food and plenty of community vibes. It is the perfect chance to come together, celebrate and connect!!! We will also have informational stalls from Carbon Coop, Answer Cancer, NHS, Be Well and more. Don't miss it, spread the word and bring your friends anyone over 50 years can attend. See the poster in the porch.
- 6. Jubilee Tour to Westport, Knock & Co Mayo, O5<sup>th</sup> October 2025. Contact 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email <a href="mailto:knockpilgrimages@gmail.com">knockpilgrimages@gmail.com</a>. Please see the poster in the porch.
- 7. St Bernard's Parish have organised a day trip to Blackpool on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2025. Pick up from St Bernards at 11am going to St Annes, then 5pm driving through the Blackpool lights and returning approximately 10pm. Cost is £18 please contact Peggy 07808966425.
- 8. Also pilgrimage to Walsingham next year 1st-3rd May 2026. Twin ensuite room is available; there are no single rooms left. Price £269 per person. Please contact Peggy 07808966425

#### **Diocese Information**

- 9. Notice about scam text
  - The Diocese of Salford has shared a warning about a scam text that has been circulated to some parishes in our diocese, purporting to be from the parish priest. Please be aware that this is not a genuine text. If you come across any such text, please do not engage with it and simply delete it from your inbox. If you are ever unsure about a text, call, or email from the parish, please call the parish office and we'd be happy to advise.
- 10. There are a number of job vacancies in the diocese to find out more and apply go to <a href="https://dioceseofsalford.org.uk/news/vacancies">https://dioceseofsalford.org.uk/news/vacancies</a>
- 11. Enjoy a family-friendly night of musical entertainment with clergy band, The Mercy Brothers. The concert will raise funds for our Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage Fund, which supports our sick pilgrims and medical team. The concert takes place on Friday 3rd October at St Michael's RC Parish, Whitefield. Doors open at 7pm for 7.30pm start. Tickets cost £15 for adults, £10 for 16-21 year olds, and free for under 16s. Food will be provided and included in the cost. Book now by emailing <a href="mailto:Lourdes.pilgrimage@dioceseofsalford.org.uk">Lourdes.pilgrimage@dioceseofsalford.org.uk</a> or phone the pilgrimage office on 0161 817 2209.

### SEE YOU NEXT WEEK AT MASS TO WORSHIP TOGETHER

### **Usual 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

Weekday Masses

St. Mary's: 9:30 am – Tuesday & Thursday
St. Richard's: 9:15 am - Wednesday & Friday

Saturday – St. Mary's 10:00am – 11:00am Exposition/Adoration & Mass 10:15 – 10:45 am – Sacrament of Reconciliation