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Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time. 5th October 2025.

Mass Readings are on Page 146 in the Parish Mass Book.

Reflection: The Apostles asked Jesus to increase their faith. The meaning of Jesus's response is that the efficacy of faith does not depend on its quantity, its size, its volume, but rather on its quality, its worth. The apostles did not need to have the volume of their faith increased but rather, they needed their faith to be solid, unbroken as a mustard seed such that it could uproot a tree, move mountains, and do much more.

There is a popular notion that faith is what you do with your head. That is not correct. Rather, faith is something you do with your heart. It is an emotion of the heart. Its other name is TRUST. When you trust someone or something, you have faith in that person or thing. Something in you tells you that you can depend on that person or thing; that they will not let you down or fail you. As a normal human being, we must be able to trust and if we cannot trust anyone, then there is something wrong – perhaps we are not normal. But we also know that we cannot trust any human being 100%. From experience, even the most trusted friends or relatives can fail us, why? They are also human and because they are human, they are limited. That is why the prophet Jeremiah made a particular strong statement about people who place their trust in human beings (Jer 17:5).

God is different. He is infinite. There is no limit to what he can be or do for us. He is the only one we can TRUST 100%. He will never let us down; he cannot let us down. It is not in his character. That is why we must have absolute trust in him and our faith in him can be as solid and unbroken as a mustard seed. With that kind of faith in God, we shall be able to move mountains.

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.

John Finnegan. Ray Sweeney. Martin McCallion. Josie Lenehan. Dominic Mulhall. Noel Brett.

Memorial Anniversary Michael Connors (1st). Marie Clerkin (10th) Vincent Fahy (7th) James Walls (40th) Sandor Toth

(May their souls rest in peace)

Special Intentions Patricia Moran. For a Happy Birthday. Jo Ann Murray. Parish benefactor. God's Healing for Vinnie Foy

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS.

- 1. The month of October is traditionally known as the month of the Rosary, as we celebrate the memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary on October 7th each year. The Pope has asked that the Rosary is recited for peace, personally, in our family and in the community. Therefore 20 minutes before each Mass in October we will recite the Rosary. Please try to come early to pray together.
- 2. The funeral arrangements for the Late Noel Brett RIP are as follows: Evening reception into St Marys Church Wednesday 15.10.25 at 6:30pm. Funeral Mass Thursday 16th at 10:00am.
- 3. CAFOD Family Fast Day was Friday 3rd October. Please take an envelope from the back of Church for donations and return them to Church by next Sunday 12th October. CAFOD hope to build underground water tanks to help farming families who currently walk for hours to access clean water. There are also requests for donations from Caritas and Misso, these envelopes are in the Church Porch.
- 4. Please see the poster in the Porch regarding open days at Loreto Sixth Form College. Apparently Xaverian 6th Form has the same open days: Saturday 11th October and Sunday 19th October.

 <u>Diocese Information</u>
- 5. Our diocesan charity, Caritas Salford is holding a free event on Sunday 26 October from 10.30am to 3pm at Sacred Heart Church and Parish Centre, Gorton, Manchester, M18 7WJ. The 'Celebration of Human Dignity' event, which is aligned with the memorial of St Pope John Paul II who championed human dignity and the value of human life in his many works, will include music, thought-provoking sessions and Sunday Mass celebrated by Bishop John Arnold. To find out more and book your free place at the event, visit: www.caritassalford.org.uk/event/humandignity/
- 6. As we mark the World Day of Migrants and Refugees (4–5 October), Bishop John has written to remind us that migrants and refugees are messengers of hope, bringing resilience, faith, and cultural richness to our communities. In the face of rising hostility, we are called to respond with compassion, truth, and practical support, affirming the dignity of every person. You can read Bishop John's full statement at: https://dioceseofsalford.org.uk/migrants-and-refugees-25/
- 7. We are delighted to announce the date for our 2026 diocesan pilgrimage to Our Lady's Shrine at Walsingham. Next year's pilgrimage will take place on Saturday 2nd May, with the option to extend your pilgrimage with an overnight stay on Friday 1st May. You can now register your interest by calling our pilgrimage office on 0161 817 2209 or emailing walsingham.pilgrimage@dioceseofsalford.org.uk
- 8. 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
- 9. There are a number of job vacancies in the diocese to find out more and apply go to https://dioceseofsalford.org.uk/news/vacancies

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office and we'd be happy to advise.

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