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FEAST OF ALL SAINTS. NOVEMBER 2, 2025

Mass Readings are on Page 194 in the Parish Mass Book.

Reflection:

Today we celebrate the feast of the Sanctified Brethren – not a small sect in an imaginary place but a great many men, women and children, the faithful in Christ Jesus. When St. Paul wrote his first letter to the Christian Community in Corinth, he began: "Paul called by the will of God to be an apostle, to you who have been sanctified in Christ and called to be saints." To the Christians at Ephesus, he wrote: "Paul an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, to all the saints who are at Ephesus," In his great Epistle to the Romans he spoke the same language: "to all God's beloved who are in Rome, called to be saints."

Paul is not writing letters to the dead. He is addressing the living, those who have committed themselves to following the way of Christ in the world. For Paul, those who live that life are sanctified brethren, they are saints. That is the life all of us have pledged ourselves to following. And when we celebrate the feast of All Saints, we are not celebrating aliens from another planet; we are celebrating our own folks, everyone whose life is a witness to the love of Christ.

The feast and its objectives: All baptized Christians who have died and are now with God in glory are considered saints. All Saints Day is intended to honour the memory of the countless unknown, uncanonized saints who have no feast days. Today we thank God for giving ordinary men and women a share in His holiness and Heavenly glory as a reward for their Faith. This feast is also observed to teach us to horon the saints known and unknown, both by imitating their lives and by seeking their intercession with Christ, "the only mediator between God and man" (I Tm 2:5) for our needs. The Church reminds us today that God's call for holiness is universal, that all of us are called to live in His love and to make His love real in the lives of those around us. Holiness is related to the word wholeness, wholesomeness. We grow in holiness when we live wholesome lives of integrity, truth, justice, charity, mercy, and compassion, sharing our blessings with others.

Happy Feast Day to you all.

We Pray for the sick and housebound.

John Fitzgerald. Cyril Corcoran. Sr Edith. Eileen Toth. Anne Leavy. 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. Joe Toth. May God grant them good health of mind and body.

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

Mary Miskell

Memorial Anniversary: Patrick Lyons (36th) Frank Hanlon. Marie Brady. Olafunke Kayoma.

Gary Duncan (6th) John and Bridget Donelon. (May their souls rest in peace)

Special Intentions: for Miriam De Catalina. In Thanksgiving for Elizabeth (Betty) In Memory of Edward and Martin Bell, and Theresa Burke. 80th Birthday remembrance for Michael O'Neill

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS.

- 1. Today, the Catholic Church of England and Whales, celebrate the Feast of All Saints and tomorrow Monday, is All Souls Day: There will be Mass at 9:15am at St Richards and 6.30pm at St Marys. Mass for All Souls is on page 197 of the Parish Mass Book.
- 2. Funeral Mass for the late Mary Miskell will be at 12 noon on November 4th at St Marys. Usual 9:30 Mass will still take place.
- 3. Please note Our Children Liturgy begins next Sunday November 9th, 2025, "Feast of Dedication of the Lateran Basilica". The pupils of St. Mary's School and St. Richard's and their parents/teachers will be at the 11am Mass at St Mary's Church where the children will do the readings, be ushers, welcomers and do the singing.
 - We thank the headteachers, teachers and the parents for their support and making this Liturgy a reality.
- 4. Parents, please register your Children as Readers, Ushers, hospitality, Choir, and Altar servers for 'Children Liturgy" in the parish. There will be a Children Liturgy on every First Sunday of each month. We ask for Adult Volunteers to help us in organizing and directing the Parish Children Liturgy. Please see or call Fr. Kris through the Parish telephone number.
- 5. Registration for the Parish RCIA programme, First Communion and Confirmation classes is now open. Kindly obtain your registration form after Mass on Sundays or contact the Parish office on 0161-248-8836 or by email info@stmaryslevenshulme.co.uk.
- 6. Please remember to place framed photos (size 8 x10 inches max) of loved ones on our Altar of Remembrance. Please place your name and number on the back to the Photo. Our Parish Mass of Remembrance for all loved ones will take place on Friday 21st November at 6:30pm in St Mary's. The envelopes for the "November List of Dead" are available at the back of Church. Please take an envelope and write the names of your loved ones with your offering in the envelope and return it to Church.
- 7. The raffle tickets for the parish Christmas fair are available to buy before and after Saturday and Sunday Masses in the porch at both Churches.
- 8. We appreciate and thank those who have registered for the Gift Aid. We had 7 additional people registering after the Finance committee's appeal. We encourage more people to register for the Gift Aid donation.

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