

SAINT ROBERT OF NEWMINSTER PARISH.



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SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER- SUNDAY 17TH MAY 2026.

Mass Readings are on Page 275 and Order of Mass from page 7 of the Parish Mass Book.

Theme of our Reflection: THEME: “FATHER, GLORIFY YOUR SON”

During his public ministry, Jesus was like any regular Jew, wore the clothes of a regular Jew, spoke the language of a regular Jew (Aramaic in those days). Not much about him suggested that he was different from other people of his Jewish race. From all indications, it seemed that Jesus wanted things that way. He did not want to stand out too glaringly or draw undue attention to himself. Even when he worked a miracle or healed someone, he often told the beneficiaries not to tell anyone what he had done.

Of course, there were some occasions when people acknowledged his teaching as different from that of their regular teachers, the Pharisees and the Scribes, and occasions when they acclaimed him to be a prophet but he was not the only person to be accorded such recognition, as is evident from the example of John the Baptist, who was also acclaimed as a prophet.

All that happened during his public ministry. It was at the end of that ministry that Jesus asked his Father to glorify him, as we read in our Gospel passage of today. He said, “the hour has come ...” in other words, the time had come to lift the veil covering his real identity as the long-awaited Messiah, the very Son of God, the time had come for his glorification. That would be accomplished through his paschal mystery, that is, his passion, death and resurrection. That would be the hour of his glorification. But Jesus left it to his Father. He would not be the one to glorify himself; he would not be the one to go around telling people who he really was. The Father would do that for him. And that was precisely what Jesus asked his Father to do, according to our Gospel reading today. He had, in fact, told the Jews earlier, “if I glorify myself, my glory is nothing. It is my Father who glorifies me’ (John 8:54).

We are challenged by today’s gospel to avoid the temptation of self-glorification, to begin to look for recognition, public acclaim or to use the biblical expression, Glory! The glory we give ourselves is nothing, but it is the glory that comes from God that last, even beyond this earthly life into eternity.

We Pray for the sick and housebound.

John Fitzgerald. Cyril Corcoran. Eileen Toth. Anne Leavy. Margaret McAteer. Kathleen Beech. Martina McGeehan. Jean Angus. Irene Rice, Karen Rice. Paul and Kath McInenny. Keith and Linda Marshall, Jim McGlynn. James Nally, Vincent Foy, Delia Groarke. Peggy Sweeney. Mary Rowe. JJ Coyne. Teresa Butler.

May God grant them good health of mind and body.

May God grant eternal rest to those who have died recently: Mary Regan. John Deeney. Tony Smith. Eileen Connolly. Susan Thompson. Joe Toth.

Memorial Anniversary: Martin Coughlan. John Joseph Tunney (1st) Peggy Smyth (9th)

Birthday Remembrance: Frank McGrath. Mary Rowland

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS.

- 1. Funeral Mass for Mary Regan RIP at 10am on Thursday 21st May in St Mary's.
Evening Reception for John Deeney RIP on Thursday 21st May at 6:30pm in St Mary's and Funeral Mass on Friday 22nd May at 10 am in St Mary's.
There will be no Mass in St Richards on Friday 22nd May.**
- 2. A sum of money was found in the car park of St Marys just before 6:30 Mass on Saturday 25th April, if you think this may be yours, please contact the office or speak to Fr Kris.**
- 3. The Missionary Society of St. Paul (MSP) have sent a letter of gratitude to our Parish for the warm welcome Fr Emmanuel received and for the collection last weekend. The amount raised will be available next weekend. A copy of the letter is on the notice board in the porch.**
- 4. The Piety stall in St Mary's requires helpers after the Saturday evening and Sunday morning Masses. If you can help, please speak to Mrs Mulligan or Fr Kris.**
- 5. Saturday 23rd May the Parish has been invited to visit Ladywell Shrine, pick up from St Mary's car park will be at 9:15am returning approx. 3:15pm. You are required to take a packed lunch and be able to walk a quarter of a mile. Please speak to Christine Roche asap if you are interested.**
- 6. Salford Diocesan Mission Mass will be held at Salford temporary Cathedral, great George St, Salford M3 6EH on Saturday 30th May at 2pm. There will be light refreshments after Mass. To assist with planning if you would like to attend, please email redbox@missio.org.uk or tel 02078219755.**
- 7. Open day at St Ambrose College Hale Barns is on Saturday 27th June from 9:30am – 12:30pm. This is a state funded Catholic 11 -18 years boys grammar school. Tel 0161-980-2711 or www.st-ambrosecollege.org.uk**

***Parish Usual Weekend/Weekday Masses'* Check the points in the newsletter for any changes to Mass times.**

Saturday Vigil Masses: 5:00pm @ St. Richard's 6:30pm @ St. Mary's

Sunday Masses: 9:30am @ St. Richard's 11:00am @ St. Mary's

Baptism: 12:30pm First and Third Sunday of the month @ St. Mary's

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

***EXPOSITION/ADORATION: SATURDAYS @ St. Mary's 10:00am Mass: 11:00am
Sacrament of reconciliation: @ St. Mary's on Saturdays between 10:15am – 10:40am***