

SAINT ROBERT OF NEWMINSTER PARISH.



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MOST HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY 31ST MAY 2026.

Mass Readings are on Page 81 and Order of Mass from page 7 of the Parish Mass Book.

Theme of our Reflection: "THE GOD OF LOVE"

Easter was essentially the celebration of Jesus Christ, the Second Person of the Blessed Trinity. Pentecost was a celebration of the Holy Spirit, the Third Person. After two celebrations, today, Trinity Sunday, the Church celebrates all Three Persons of the Trinity: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. The Three Persons of the Blessed Trinity are but one God. They are not three persons in one Person, neither are they three gods in one God. What we have and what the Church teaches is: what we have are three Persons united in one Godhead, *in the one divine Nature*.

Their unity is founded in love: by his love the Father begets the Son, who then loves the Father in return. Their mutual love is not sterile one. Out of it *proceeds* the Holy Spirit, who in turn loves the Father and the Son and is loved by them. All this can be attributed to the fact that God is love, as St. John tells us (1 John 4:16) Love is another name for God. When we say "Love" we mean "God", and vice versa. Love is of the very nature of God. Everything God does in relation to the world he does out of love. That is why the reason for the Son of God coming into our world was love. "God (the Father) loved the world so much that he gave his Son...", as we read in our Gospel passage today. We can equally add that God (the Father and the Son) loved the world so much that he gave the Holy Spirit. It was not only the Son that came because of the love of God for the world, but the Holy Spirit too.

God loves us, not just as humanity, but he loves us as individuals, whoever we are, whatever we are, whatever we may or may not be. God is loving us all the time: when we are awake or asleep, when we are weak or strong, when we are happy or sad, when we are successful or we fail, believe it or not, even when we are sinning, God is loving us still. When we shall die, God will be right there loving us still. Why and How? Because God is love. God can do nothing else but to love us.

Some of us find that hard to believe. We believe that we are unworthy of God's love, we do not deserve it because we are bad, we are sinners. Would you believe that that is when God is loving us most, because we are sick, wounded by sin, we are sheep that have strayed, and the Shepherd is prepared to leave the ninety-nine just in the wilderness to go in search of us? Come to think of it, no one is ever deserving of God's love, no one has ever deserved God's love. God's love has always been freely given, not because anyone ever deserved it.

Remember this always: The Lord is "a God of tenderness and compassion, slow to anger, rich in kindness and faithfulness" as we are reminded in our first reading today.

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 McNenny. Keith and Linda Marshall, Jim McGlynn. James Nally, Vincent Foy, Delia Groarke. Peggy Sweeney. Mary Rowe. JJ Coyne. Teresa Butler. Bernadette McLaughlin.

May God grant them good health of mind and body.

May God grant eternal rest to those who have died recently: Bridie White. Mary Todd

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS.

1. Funeral Mass for Bridie White RIP will be in St Richards on June 12th at 11:30 am
2. We are very much in need of volunteers to serve in various ministries in the parish. Parish ministry heavily depends on volunteers for both worship and services. Please assist and join as a reader, as a choir, welcomer, Male Eucharistic minister, sacristan etc.
3. 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. If no one comes forward to help, unfortunately the piety stall will have to close.
4. The Parish sent a cheque for £221.13 to CAFOD. They emailed "A sincere "thank you" from CAFOD for your generous donations to this Lent's Family Fast Day appeal. Your donations and prayers are supporting communities such as those using floating gardens, enabling them to become self-sufficient with quality food, in the face of the impacts of climate change. Thank you for providing them with hope. To find out more about our work visit cafod.org.uk/
5. A cheque for £85.85 was sent to Cornerstones recently and Caritas wrote to thank the Parish for the donation; the letter is in the Porch.
6. **You can now pay your donations to Church by using the card machine at the back of Church or by scanning this QR code on your phone. You then follow the simple instructions.**



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
12:00 pm First and Third Saturday of the month @ St. Richard's***

***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***