

SAINT ROBERT OF NEWMINSTER PARISH.



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ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 14TH JUNE 2026.

Mass Readings are on Page 91 and Order of Mass from page 7 of the Parish Mass Book.

Reflection: THEME: BRINGING IN THE HARVEST

Imagine a farmer whose farm has produced a rich harvest of crops. He is unable to bring it all in by himself. If he does not want his crops to go to waste, he will most certainly go out and hire labourers to help him bring them in.

That is exactly what Jesus did. The people that he needed to reach with his message of the Kingdom of God were in their thousands. They covered the entire territory of Palestine. There was no way even he – Son of God, though he was – could reach them all by himself. So, he did the reasonable thing, he hired labourers to help him bring in the harvest. They were twelve in number and he called them “Apostles”, a name which means “people who are sent on a mission”. That was because he would later send them on mission, as we see him doing in our Gospel reading of today.

He gave them precise instructions on what to do: to proclaim that the Kingdom of heaven was close at hand, to cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers and to cast out devils. He equipped them for their task by giving them “authority over unclean spirits with power to cast them out and to cure all kinds of diseases and sickness.” The mission was limited to “the lost sheep of the House of Israel” for the meantime but would extend the same mission to “all nations” (Matthew 28:19) and indeed “the whole creation” (Mark 16:15). With that, the harvest would become richer than ever, and the labourers never so few.

Jesus also did not restrict the task of evangelization to just the twelve Apostles anymore, or to any group of disciples. Instead, he threw it open to all his disciples. All of them were to become labourers bringing in the harvest, all of them were to become “apostles”, that is, people sent on a mission: to “proclaim the good news to the whole creation” and “make disciples of all nations”.

We are all labourers supposed to bring in the harvest of souls, not just any special group of disciples such as bishops, priests, religious, or even catechists. All who are baptized must be labourers. Everyone must be involved in proclaiming the good news to the whole creation and making disciples of all nations.

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. JJ Coyne. Bernadette McLaughlin. Dr Peter Harrison. **May God grant them good health of mind and body.**

May God grant eternal rest to those who have died recently: Bridget Hogan. Mary Rowe. Teresa Butler. Mariam Gildea.

Memorial Anniversary: Mary and Michael Donelon. Lily Cassidy.

Special Intention: Mary Donelon

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS.

1. **Funeral Mass for Bridget Hogan RIP will be in St Mary's on June 19th at 11:00 am.**
Funeral Mass for Mary Rowe RIP will be in St Mary's on June 23rd at 11:00 am
2. The Parish still needs helpers. There is a sheet of paper at the back of Church if anyone would like to join the welcoming team, please put your name on the paper and you will be included in the rota.
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, in the choir, welcomer, Male Eucharistic minister, sacristan etc.
3. **Fr Ahern** will celebrate 60 years in the priesthood in June, so on Saturday 18th July he will celebrate Mass at 6:30pm in St Marys. Everyone is welcome to attend and join him for light refreshments in the Hall after Mass. If you wish to give a donation towards a Parish gift for Fr Ahern, please put your donation in an envelope with his name on, and place it in any collection. Or the first weekend in July we will have a second collection which will go towards a gift for Fr Ahern.
4. **Stop assisted suicide being brought back:** Assisted suicide campaigners are trying to bring back the Leadbeater Bill. Not Dead Yet UK has launched a simple tool to help you email your MP about the risks this Bill poses to people with disabilities. **Please take 30 seconds to email your MP today using the tool here:**
<http://action.notdeadyetuk.org/>
5. **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

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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