



SAINT ROBERT OF NEWMINSTER PARISH.

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TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME. YEAR A. 27TH SEPT 2026.

Mass Readings are on Page 134 and Order of Mass from page 7 of the Parish Mass Book. Reflection:

THEME: The Obedience that God desires

Today's Gospel presents us with a simple but very powerful story. A father asks his two sons to go and work in his vineyard. The first says "No" but later changes his mind and goes. The second says "Yes" but does not go. Jesus then asks: "Which of the two did the father's will?" The answer is obvious: the first. The message is clear: God is not interested merely in what we say; He is interested in how we live.

It is easy to say "Yes" to God. We say it in our prayers, at Mass, and in our promises. But the real question is: Does our daily life reflect the "Yes" that we profess with our lips?

Sometimes we can be like the second son. We say the right things, but our actions do not follow. We may say we love God yet refuse to forgive. We may say we are Christians yet fail to show kindness to someone who needs us. We may pray for peace while carrying anger in our hearts.

But there is also hope in the first son. He initially said "No," but he changed his mind and went. This reminds us that God gives us the opportunity to change.

Perhaps there are moments when we have disappointed God. Perhaps we have made wrong choices or neglected our responsibilities. The Gospel tells us not to remain trapped in our past. Conversion is always possible. God is less interested in our past failures than in the direction of our lives today.

Therefore, the question for us today is not simply, "What do I say?" but "What am I doing?"

Do I serve my family with love?

Do I forgive those who have hurt me?

Do I care for the poor and vulnerable?

Do I participate actively in the life of the Church?

Do I keep my promises?

Does my Christian faith make a difference in the way I treat other people?

The vineyard in today's Gospel represents God's work in the world. Every one of us has been invited to work in that vineyard. We may have different gifts, responsibilities and circumstances, but there is work for each of us.

And if today we recognise that we have not always responded faithfully, let us not become discouraged. We can still say "Yes" to God today. A sincere "Yes" expressed through action is more pleasing to God than many beautiful words without action.

We Pray for the sick and housebound. John Fitzgerald. Cyril Corcoran. 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. Bernadette McLaughlin.

May God grant them good health of mind and body.

May God grant eternal rest to those who have died recently: Peter Walsh. Rose Rogers. Maureen Scanlon.

Frank O'Hara. Mary Harkin. Rose McNally. Kevin Milmo

Memorial Anniversary: Joe Lavelle (2nd) William Skeffington (2nd) Mary O'Neill

Birthday Remembrance: Winnie McDermott, Seamus Gallogly

Special Intention: John McLaughlin. Trien Sargent for Happy Birthday

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS.

1. On Wednesday 14th October at 6:30pm A Parish Annual General Meeting will be held. Fr would like the following members to attend: The Parish Pastoral Council, The Building Committee, The Finance Committee, representatives from the choir, readers, Eucharistic Ministers, cleaners, people who manage the collections, and the group involved serving in the hall. Also, any parishioner from St Richards or St Marys who would like to attend will be most welcome.
2. **There will be a second collection this weekend for Parish maintenance.**
3. **Registration to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion is open for any child who is not attending a Catholic School. Application forms are available from the Sacristy.**
4. The funeral service for Rose Rogers RIP will be held in St Marys on Thursday 8th October at 1pm.
5. The Barlow RC High School has open sessions for parents and young people who are interesting in attending this High School: morning sessions are available to book 5-16th October and there is an open evening on 1st October from 5-7pm. To book call 0161-445-8053 or email admin@thebarlowrchigh.co.uk.
6. If you know someone who cannot attend Mass due to illness, inability to leave their home or they live in a Nursing Home and would like Fr Kris to visit, please contact the office with the necessary details and Fr will include them on his visits.
7. CAFOD Family Fast day is this Friday 2nd October. CAFOD envelopes are at the back of Church and there will be a second collection on 3rd/4th October for CAFOD.
8. World Mission Sunday is on 18th October; the new autumn booklet from Missio is available at the back of Church. Please take one and read it. A second collection will be taken for World Mission on 17th/18th October.

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