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Saint Mary's Roman Catholic Church

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DIOCESE OF  **SALFORD**

Sick: Nathan Armstrong

Lately Dead: Monica Browning

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Masses & Liturgies 15th October- 20th October

Tuesday 15th 6pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. 7:00pm Mass
Wednesday 16th 9:45am Mass St Marys School in Church. 6:30pm Sacramental Programme Meeting.
Thursday 17th 9:30am Mass. 7:00pm Scripture Group
Friday 18th 9:30am Mass.
Saturday 19th 9:30 am Confessions and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. 10:30am Mass
6:30pm Vigil Mass
Sunday 20th 10:00am Mass

Weekend Collection of 6th October £767.64 Thank you for your kind generosity.

Blessed John Henry Newman.

This weekend in Rome the Holy Father will formally canonise Cardinal Newman as Saint John Henry Newman. Let us ask our new brother in heaven to continue to pray for us and inspire us by his life and teachings.

Prayer for the Canonisation of John Henry Newman.

God our Father, you granted to your servant Blessed John Henry Newman wonderful gifts of nature and of grace, that he should be a spiritual light in the darkness of this world, an eloquent herald of the Gospel, and a devoted servant of the one Church of Christ.

With confidence in his heavenly intercession, we make the following petition: [here make your petition] For his insight into the mysteries of the kingdom, his zealous defence of the teachings of the Church, and his priestly love for each of your children, we pray that he may soon be numbered among the Saints. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

“Prayer is to the spiritual life what the beating of the pulse and the drawing of the breath are to the life of the body.”

— St. John Henry Newman

2020 - The Year of the Word. The Bishops of England and Wales have announced that the year beginning in Advent 2019 will be a ‘Year of the Word,’ with the theme ‘The God who Speaks.’ Supported by the Bible Society, there will be many national and local events throughout the year. In our own diocese several initiatives are planned to highlight the Bible’s importance for our lives and our worship.

Safeguarding. The Roman Catholic Church acknowledges the value of every human life and promotes the duty to support all people and protect them from harm. Safeguarding is an essential element of the Catholic Church required to fulfil the mission and calling given by Christ to value every human life. This Tuesday all priests of the two northern deaneries will be on a safeguarding training day to continue to learn and develop

Lourdes Pilgrimage Talk. Many people ask: What is Lourdes like? Is it possible I can help or support sick pilgrims? What kinds of accommodation are available? How much does it all cost? What is a typical pilgrimage timetable at Lourdes like? Eric Parr, the parish Lourdes rep, has very kindly offered to give a talk about the pilgrimage and his experiences at 2pm this Sunday (13th Oct) at the back of church. Everyone and anyone is invited and warmly welcomed to learn more about this wonderful shrine. Light Refreshments will be available.

Faith Formation. At the back of church there are a number of posters advertising events at the Christian Heritage Centre at Stonyhurst. Opportunities like these help us to grow in our faith and give us the confidence to dialogue with others about the Lord.