

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER



St Mary
Marple Bridge

**ST MARY'S, MARPLE BRIDGE
AND
THE ANNUNCIATION, NEW MILLS**



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Lectionary

Sundays Year B
Weekdays Year 1

**8th February 2015
5th Sunday of the Year**

		<u>Marple B.</u>	<u>New Mills</u>		
Saturday	7 th	6.30pm		5 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Baby Ethan RIP
Sunday	8 th	11.15am	9.30am		Susan Hennigan RIP Catherine Hall RIP
Monday	9 th	9.30am		Feria	Stella Smedley RIP
Tuesday	10 th		10am	St Scholastica	Terry Coop RIP
Wednesday	11 th	11.30am		REQUIEM	Eileen Rose Sheeran RIP
Thursday	12 th		10am	Feria	Special Intention (GC)
Friday	13 th	9.30am		Feria	Paddy McGlinchey RIP
Saturday	14 th	6.30pm		6 th Sunday of Advent	Fr Stappard's Ints
Sunday	15 th	11.15am 2pm	9.30am		John Hines RIP Tom Roche Ints (GC) Scapens Family
				BAPTISM	

			Feb 7 th /8 th	14/15Feb
Welcomers	6.30pm	MB	Margaret Cooke	Eileen Newton
Readers			Gordon Lyon	Rosemary Yuill
Gifts			Bill & Val Yates	Dorothy Mansfield
Welcomers	9.30am	NM	Margaret Beddows/Sheila Harrison	Joe Hennigan/ Pat McGrath
Readers			Margaret Beddows/ David Cochrane	Maureen Bell/Marnie Patel
Children's Lit.				
Welcomers	11.15am	MB	Myra O'Connor	Jenny McGuinness
Readers			Tony McHale	Vincent Coupes
Gifts			George Wood	Bradbury Family
Ch.Lit.				
Counters		MB	Tom Roche & Chris Derbyshire	David Barron+Tony McHale
		NM	Jo Barber/Nick Reynolds	Mike Ledwich/Deborah Laugesen
Flowers		MB	No flowers	No flowers
Tea & Coffee		NM	Teresa Hogg/Ella Keller-Koczaska	Pat McGrath+Marie Davies
Cleaners		MB	No cleaning	Margaret & Vincent Coupes
Cleaners		NM	No cleaning	Jo Barber & Catherine Butler

FR JOHN WRITES...Today's second reading has an important message for our society now as then. You can imagine an elder Christian of Corinth reading St Paul's letter to those in the square. In this part of the letter he talks of duties and rights of Christians. It can be very easy to fall into the trap of 'I have a right to this in my Church'...'I have a right to this from society'. Before we focus on our rights, like St Paul, we ought to look at our duties and what each of us can bring to the table in spreading the message of the Gospel and looking out for the common good.

BAPTISM...The course has now been completed and the dates and times for Baptism are sorted. Therefore, anyone wishing to have their child baptised in the parish but have yet to attend our parish course are asked to wait for the next course which will start in April. Application forms for this course are available from the back of the church.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MB...Parents, please note that the First Holy Communion preparation course will begin on Sunday March 1st. All children wishing to receive the Sacrament at MB are asked to attend ALL the sessions. Thank you. I hope you enjoy preparing for this wonderful Sacrament.

CONFIRMATION...Thank you to all the parents who attended the preparation meeting last Sunday night in Glossop. There are 32 candidates from the Deanery preparing for the Sacrament, 10 of which come from our parish. The first session for the candidates takes place next Sunday February 15th from 6.30-8pm at St Mary's Parish Hall, St Mary's Rd, Glossop. Please keep all the candidates in your daily prayers.

MARRIAGE...The preparation courses have now begun for those couples wishing to marry within the parish this year. Dates already booked for this year and next are: May 2nd, July 18th and 31st, August 8th and September 4th. in 2016 April 30th(?) and August 27th are already booked. Please contact Fr John if you have any queries or wish to book a date.

RCIA...Please keep in your prayers all candidates who are enquiring about the Catholic Faith or wish to become Catholic. The Rite of Election will take place on February 22nd at St Barnabas Cathedral, Nottingham. We hope to have a few candidates attending with the possibility of them becoming Catholic. More details to follow.

**Pray for the Sick and Housebound
Remember especially**

Mary Forbes, George Cairns, Eileen Middleton, Monica Norton, Eileen Grace, Margaret Mary Jackson, Katherine Cowan, Richard Greiner, Joan Hines, George Heeds, Joan Whitley, Beverley Burke, Fr. Hugh Doherty, Maureen Mitchell-Kirk, Bernadette Tonge, David Hill, Bill Martin, Marie Sidebottom, Aine Shaw, Mike Ellwood, Geraldine Knowles, Kate Beighton, Suzanne Mautschke, David Poole Dorothy Graham, Fr Marianus ,Anna Kalnis

DEEPEST SYMPATHY...On behalf of the people of the parish I wish to extend deepest sympathy to the family, friends and all who mourn the loss of the late Eileen Rose Sheeran who died recently. May she rest in peace. The Requiem Mass for Eileen will take place at St Mary's MB at 11.30 at 11.30 next Wednesday February 11th followed by burial in the church graveyard. Please note that there will be no 9.30am Mass that day.

TRAIDCRAFT...Tea and coffee will be available after both Masses this weekend in the Old School, MB. The Traidcraft stall will be selling food items and snacks. All welcome.

COMEDY FUN NIGHT... A fund raising night for Cornerstones Day Centre will take place on Saturday Feb 28th, 8pm at St Kentigern's Social Club, Hart Rd, Fallowfield M14 7DW. Comedy from Jimmy Cricket, raffle and auction. Tickets £5 from Jackie Cecil (NM)

TOUCHED BY THE PASSION... We have prepared a very special Lenten series of 5 evenings for everyone in the parish to take part in. Each evening is different, although all focus on our Lenten journey towards Jesus' Passion. Everyone will have the opportunity to witness, discuss and pray in preparation.

we will start on Monday February 23rd, 7.30 – 9pm in NM hall, and continue for the following 4 weeks. come each week or whenever you can. Refreshments will be served.

MAINTENANCE WORK NM...Urgent maintenance work needs to be carried out on the parapet of the Parish Hall, NM. Sadly, although it's a new building, the concrete corner slabs- parapets –are coming away from the building and need urgent attention. I have authorised the contractors to start work ASAP and once the weather conditions are suitable, work will commence. The cost will be £4,400 + VAT.

TEA, BINGO AND LIGHT ENTERTAINMENT...Due to the weather conditions at present we are delaying the start of our Tea, Bingo and Light Entertainment afternoons to Wednesday February 25th, 2-4pm in the Parish Hall, NM.

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER...on March 6th. Please join us at one of the following services:

2pm at Ridge Methodists

7pm at Marple United Reform Church

This year the service has been prepared by the women from the Bahamas. All are welcome.

COLLECTION....

Envelopes £434.00 Loose Plate £180.63

Total £614.43 Thank you

**Rest in Peace
Anniversaries**

George Netherwood, Laurie Brady, M Foy, F Duffy, Lucy Sanderson, N Prince, A Cooper, N Nolan, Joan Neil,

May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

