

**THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER**



**St Mary  
Marple Bridge**

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



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**Lectioary**

Sundays Year B  
Weekdays Year 1

**22<sup>nd</sup> February 2015  
1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent**

		<u>Marple B.</u>	<u>New Mills</u>		
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>21<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>6.30pm</b>		<b>1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent</b>	Susan + John Campbell RIP
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>22<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>11.15am</b>	<b>9.30am</b>		Catherine Hodnett RIP
			<b>2pm</b>	<b>BAPTISM</b>	In Thanksgiving (KH) Skelton Family
<b>Monday</b>	<b>23<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>9.30am</b>		St Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr	Fr John's Ints (RY)
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>24<sup>th</sup></b>		<b>10am</b>	Lenten Feria	Pat Towers RIP (MN)
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>25<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9.30am</b>		Lenten Feria	Alex Baines RIP
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>26<sup>th</sup></b>		<b>10am</b>	Lenten Feria	Joan Hines RIP (MN)
			<b>10.30</b>	Stations of the Cross	
<b>Friday</b>	<b>27<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9.30am</b>		Lenten Feria	Clair Baimbridge Ints
		<b>10am</b>		Stations of the Cross	
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>28<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>6.30pm</b>		<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent</b>	Thanksgiving Parishioners (BR)
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>11.15am</b>	<b>9.30am</b>		Michael Barry Liddle RIP
			<b>2pm</b>	<b>BAPTISM</b>	Myra + Sean's Ints Kelly Family

			<u>21/22 Feb</u>	<u>28/1March</u>
<b>Welcomers</b>	<b>6.30pm</b>	<b>MB</b>	<b>Eileen Burgess</b>	<b>Cecilia Osborne</b>
<b>Readers</b>			<b>Steve Burgess</b>	<b>Steve Burgess</b>
<b>Gifts</b>			<b>Steve &amp; Eileen Burgess</b>	<b>Betty Reynold</b>
Welcomers	9.30am	NM	Bob Colligan/ Assunta Ashton	Jacqueline Patel/ Doreen Kane
Readers			Catherine Butler/Sheila Harrison	Nick Reynolds/ Jani Abbs-Brown
Children's Lit.				
<b>Welcomers</b>	<b>11.15am</b>	<b>MB</b>	<b>Sheila Harvey</b>	<b>Patrick Roche</b>
<b>Readers</b>			<b>Sally Evans</b>	<b>Joe Harvey</b>
<b>Gifts</b>			<b>Denise Ead</b>	<b>George Wood</b>
<b>Ch.Lit.</b>				
<b>Counters</b>		<b>MB</b>	<b>Val+Bill Yates</b>	<b>Jean &amp; Jim Sorahan</b>
		NM	Margaret Beddows/ Joe Hennigan	Mike Goodwin / David Mellor
<b>Flowers</b>		<b>MB</b>	<b>No flowers</b>	<b>No flowers</b>
Tea & Coffee		NM	Angie/Jim McGlynn	Deborah Laugesen
<b>Cleaners</b>		<b>MB</b>	<b>No Cleaning</b>	<b>Sheila Harvey&amp; Teresa Clarke</b>
Cleaners		NM	No Cleaning	Pat Drury

**FR JOHN WRITES...**This week we hear of Jesus being guarded by the Angels. We each have our own Guardian Angel and some of the writings of Padre Pio about them are very humbling: 'Do not forget this invisible companion, always present to listen to you... always ready to console you...For people who live alone there is the Guardian Angel...invoke your Guardian Angel that he will illuminate you and guide you. God has given him to you for this reason. Therefore use him!'

O Angel of God my guardian dear, to whom God's love commits me here, ever this day/night be at my side to light and to guard, to rule and to guide. Amen

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MB...**Parents, please note that the First Holy Communion preparation course will begin on Sunday March 1st. The children are asked to be in the Old School for an 11am start. We do hope that the children attend and enjoy this course as they prepare to receive the Lord into their lives in the most wonderful way through the Holy Eucharist. Please keep all our children in your daily prayers.

**CONFIRMATION...** The course has now begun and I do believe last weeks first session went very well indeed. The second session takes place this Sunday February 22<sup>nd</sup> from 6.30-8pm at St Mary's Parish Hall, St Mary's Rd, Glossop. Please keep all the candidates in your daily prayers.

**RCIA...** Those wishing to be received into the Catholic Church this year will be attending what is called 'The Rite of Election' today, Sunday February 22<sup>nd</sup> at St Barnabas Cathedral, Nottingham. The Bishop has always, over the centuries, been the person to welcome catechumens into his Church and Diocese on Holy Saturday night, but with so many from all over the Diocese he can't be in every parish at the same time. Therefore, he invites them to the Cathedral for 'The Rite of Election' as his celebration of welcoming them into the Church. Then he gives permission to his priests to carry out on his behalf the reception of the catechumens into the Church on Holy Saturday night. For some this may mean receiving Baptism, Confirmation and their First Communion. Please keep in your daily prayers all those who are preparing to be received into the Catholic Church this year.

**TEA, BINGO AND LIGHT ENTERTAINMENT...**The first session of our Tea, Bingo and Light Entertainment will commence a gain next Wednesday February 25th, 2-4pm in the Parish Hall, NM. All parishioners are welcome.

### **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, 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

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

2pm at Ridge Methodists

7pm at Marple United Reform Church

**WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER NM...**

This year we will meet at the Revival Church, High St, NM at 2pm. The service has been organised by the women of the Bahamas. If anyone has any tie-dye scarves or clothing which could be borrowed for the event, please contact Brenda Mastin. It would be lovely to see a really good turnout from our Church for this colourful celebration. Everyone is extremely welcome.

**DEACON KEVIN'S ORDINATION...**

A 51 seater bus has been booked to travel to Nottingham on July 11th 2015 for the Ordination of Deacon Kevin to the Priesthood. The bus will leave the parish at 7.45am and leave Nottingham at 3.30pm. Cost per person is £8. If you would like to attend, please put your name on the list – at the back of both churches – and the first 51 names will be booked on to the bus.

**PARISH LENTEN SERVICES...**

Tomorrow, Monday February 23<sup>rd</sup>, we commence our Lenten reflections on the theme, 'Touched by the Passion'. We will begin by looking at Christ's Passion through the eyes of Christians all round the world and reflect on its cultural significance through discussion and prayer. All sessions will take place from 7.30-9pm in the Parish Hall, NM. Refreshments will be served from 7.15pm. All welcome.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS...**

The Stations of the Cross will take place after Mass on Thursday at NM and Friday at MB during Lent.

**CAFOD LENTEN FAST DAY...**

Envelopes will be given out this weekend and collected next weekend. Lent Family Fast Day takes place this Friday February 27th 2015.

**FUNERAL SERVICE...**

The funeral service for Mrs O'Brien, who died recently, will take place in St Mary's MB on Monday March 2nd at 12 noon followed by burial in the church graveyard. On behalf of all the parishioners I extend our deepest sympathy to her family and all who mourn her loss. May she rest in peace. Amen

**COLLECTION....**

Envelopes £497.91 Loose Plate £276.59

Total £765.50 Thank you

### **Rest in Peace Anniversaries**

Anne Reeves, Baby Thomas Townley, John Hurley, Mary Benn, Margaret Hammond, Lotar Kujawa, Edward Doran, Caroline Kendrick

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