

## The Catholic Community Newsletter

**St Mary's, Marple Bridge  
and  
The Annunciation, New Mills**



St Mary  
Marple Bridge



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Sundays Year C

Weekdays Year 1

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### FIFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

**SUNDAY 10<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2019**

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>9<sup>th</sup></b>	MB	6.30pm	<b>FIFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME</b>  <b>Baptism Smith family</b>  <b>Feria</b> <b>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</b> <b>Feria</b> <b>School Mass (in school) Feria</b>	Therese Coop Pat McGrath's intentions Catherine Hall
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>10<sup>th</sup></b>	NM	9.30am		
		MB	11.15am		
		NM	2.00pm		
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>12<sup>th</sup></b>	NM	10.00am		
		NM	10.30am		
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>13<sup>th</sup></b>	MB	9.30 am		
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>14<sup>th</sup></b>	NM	9.05am		
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>16<sup>th</sup></b>	MB	6.30pm		
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>17<sup>th</sup></b>	NM	9.30am		
		MB	11.15am	<b>SIXTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME</b>	Maureen Donahue R.I.P. (MP) Cynthia Walker R.I.P. (VH & VP) People of the Parish

#### ROTAS

			10 <sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY	17 <sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY
<b>Welcomers</b>	<b>6.30pm</b>	<b>MB</b>	Rosemary Yuill	Norah Hudson
<b>Readers</b>			Maureen Matthews	Gordon Lyon
<b>Gifts</b>			Betty Reynolds	Celia Osborn
<b>Welcomers</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>NM</b>	Theresa Hogg & Sheila Harrison	Pat Atkinson & Pat McGrath
<b>Readers</b>			Catherine Butler & Sheila Harrison	Nick Reynolds & Joss Abbs-Brown
<b>Welcomers</b>	<b>11.15am</b>	<b>MB</b>	Myra O'Connor	Patrick Roche
<b>Readers</b>			Tom Delaney	Martin Savage
<b>Gifts</b>			George Wood	Denise Ead
<b>Child's Lit</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>NM</b>	Helen Whelan & Margaret Beddows	Liz Greene & Alena Greenwood
<b>Counters</b>		<b>MB</b>	Ann Lyon & Rita Buckley	Phil Dawson & Tom Delaney
		<b>NM</b>	Mike Goodwin & David Mellor	Marie Forbes & Bernard Taylor
<b>Tea/ Coffee</b>		<b>NM</b>	Angie & Jim McGlynn	Pat McGrath
<b>Cleaners</b>		<b>NM</b>	Jo Barber & Deborah Laugesen	No cleaning
		<b>MB</b>	No cleaning	John Dixon & Margaret Phelan

**POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR FEBRUARY:** Human Trafficking: For a generous welcome of the victims of human trafficking, of enforced prostitution, and of violence.

**CAFOD, CHRISTIAN AID, WORLD VISION, ISLAMIC RELIEF AND TEARFUND** are inviting its supporters to pray for Yemen. At Masses throughout this weekend, we will say a special prayer for the people of Yemen; perhaps you could also include it in your daily prayers?

**PRAYER FOR YEMEN:** Giver of life, who hears the cries from Yemen, of mothers choosing between medicine or food, of parents grieving children lost to starvation, of those who have given up everything in hunger. Hear our cries for hope, for change and for peace. In your mercy, break political deadlocks, soften hardened hearts, change closed minds and open unhearing ears. Let people come before power; let life be holy again; let your justice and peace shape the nation of Yemen and the lives of all your people. Amen.

**THE 2019 WORLD DAY OF PRAYER** (formerly Women's World Day of Prayer) will be celebrated on Friday 1st March at 1.30pm at St. Mary's, Marple Bridge and 7.30pm at All Saints, Marple. Please see the poster in the porch. All welcome

**THE ROSMINI CENTRE**, a house of prayer in Leicestershire, has its 2019 programme out and there are copies at the back of both churches. Please take one or you can look on their website: [www.rosminicentre.co.uk](http://www.rosminicentre.co.uk)

**PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND,  
Remember especially:**

Fr John Cairns, Rene Tierney, Jani Abbs-Brown,  
Mike Goodwin, Jan Letowska, Eileen Grace, Aine Shaw,  
Beverley Burke, Anna Kalnis, Fr. Hugh Doherty,  
David Poole, Bernadette Tonge, David Hill, Bill Martin,  
Marie Sidebottom, Suzanne Mautschke, Janet Liddle,  
Maria Heywood and Dorothy Graham

**FATHER JOHN WRITES ON PRAYER:** I'm not sure about you but I always felt that how I see myself can affect how I see God and my relationship with him. I know we at times don't always see ourselves in a good light, when we look at ourselves through our own eyes. We are, at times, slow to recognise the wonderful things about us and what we do in life; we tend to look at our weaknesses. However, why not start each day looking at yourself through the eyes of Christ; what a difference it makes. I taught you the little prayer: 'I am important and precious because God loves me.' Seeing yourself through the eyes of Christ will enlighten you to the realisation that everything, yes everything, that Christ did on this earth, he did it for you, and is still doing it, out of his unconditional love for you. Whether he did it during his life or giving his life on the cross, he did it for you. So as you start your day, just reflect a little on the Son of God, Christ our Saviour; he came to earth because he loves you, gave his life for you and offers you life, hope and salvation. I can now start my day with the knowledge and certainty:

***'I AM IMPORTANT AND PRECIOUS  
BECAUSE GOD LOVES ME.'***

**MARPLE BRIDGE CHURCH GARDENS:**  
The long-overgrown flowerbed alongside the lawn by the church has recently been cleared by our hard-working gardener, Doug. He has volunteered to fill this space with low-growing ground cover plants which parishioners are invited to donate. Please leave any suitable specimens for transplantation in the corner by the church porch.

**REST IN PEACE ANNIVERSARIES:**

Laurie Brady, M Foy, F Duffy, Lucy Sanderson, N Price,  
A Cooper, N Nolan and Joan Mary Neil,

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