



Marple Bridge

The Catholic Community Newsletter  
for the parish of  
**St Mary** and **The Annunciation**  
Marple Bridge New Mills



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YOU MUST TAKE IT WITH YOU.  
Please, if touched, do not leave it in church.**

SUNDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2020

22<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

[TWO WEEK BULLETIN]

**Guidance for attending Mass:**

Because of limited capacity, anyone wishing to attend Mass will have to pre-book their place.

If people arrive without having pre-booked and the church is, or likely to be, at capacity, unfortunately they will not be allowed in.

**To book a place, please telephone:**

**NEW MILLS                      07561 699278**

**MARPLE BRIDGE              07723 381589**

**between 9am and 5pm Monday to Friday**

Please arrive at the service early, to allow time for the stewards to show you to your allocated space. Social Distancing continues to operate in the Church, always keeping a distance of 2 metres.

## Times of Holy Mass and other services

Sat 29 <sup>th</sup> August	1830	MB	Vigil Mass	Maureen Matthews RIP
Sun 30 22 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in OT	0930	NM	Mass	People of the Parish
Mon 31				
Tue 1 <sup>st</sup> September				
Wed 2				
Thu 3 St Gregory the Great				
Fri 4				
Sat 5	1830	MB	Vigil Mass	Maureen Matthews RIP
Sun 6 23 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in OT	0930	NM	Mass	People of the Parish
Mon 7				
Tue 8 Nativity of Mary	1030	NM	Mass	<b>Provisional</b>
Wed 9				
Thu 10		MB	Funeral	Brian Hargreaves RIP <b>(by invitation only)</b>
Fri 11				
Sat 12	1830	MB	Vigil Mass	Douglas and Margaret Helliwell
Sun 13 24 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in OT	0930	NM	Mass	People of the Parish

## 22<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

First Reading

Jeremiah 20:7-9

**PSALM RESPONSE**

**For you my soul is thirsting, O Lord my God.**

Second Reading

Romans 12:1-2

Gospel

Matthew 16:21-27

### A NOTE ON FACE COVERINGS

Face coverings are now compulsory in places of worship, under Government requirements.

### WEEKDAY MASS TIME CHANGES

Please take careful note of the changes to Mass times above.

The Mass on the 8<sup>th</sup> is provisional and those booked in will be notified if this is cancelled.

### YOUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR ...

Brian Hargreaves who died recently. Let us pray for him, his family and friends. May he rest in peace.

### FR KEVIN

Parishioners may know that from mid-September Fr Kevin will be taking over a new post as Parish Priest at St Mary's Grantham. Because of the difficulties of arranging a collective expression from the parish community to wish him well for the future, the two Church Committees have sent him a letter expressing thanks and appreciation for his dedication and commitment to us over the past few years, especially as this period covered some difficult and stressful times. A copy is displayed on the notice board.

### SUNDAY MASS OBLIGATION:

Please, if you are shielding, vulnerable or 'bubbling' with somebody in these categories, refrain from coming to church. It is important that you look after not only your own, but your family's health.

Our bishops have relaxed the rules of Sunday observance and have no intention of reintroducing the obligation to attend mass until such time as everybody can be safely accommodated in church.

## **THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

This Sacrament can now be offered, subject to certain COVID considerations. Please speak to Fr Daniel if you would like to arrange this Sacrament.

## **EMERGENCY NUMBER**

The emergency number in case of serious illness is still in operation, with both me and Fr Martin Sylvester taking responsibility for it. For all other enquiries, the Marple Bridge telephone number is in use. You can find it at the top of the newsletter.

## **A WAY TO DONATE**

The Diocese has set up a system of online donations, whereby payments can be made to various funds, including individual parishes.

Go to <https://www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/> and click on the relevant link at the top of the page.

## **PARISH FINANCES:**

Now that our churches are open, those able to attend will notice that at Mass, there will be no Offertory Collection. Those attending will, however, be able to place their donation in a basket as they enter or leave church.

There is an alternative which makes things easier for all (including the Counters and those actually go to the bank): it allows parishioners who use digital/ online banking and which ensures that your offertory reaches us in due time.

It is quite easy for such parishioners to set up, through their own bank, a Standing Order in favour of the Church to ensure your offertory can still be received despite the lockdown or restricted access.

You can do this through your own phone or computer by you using the bank's own system to set up a Standing Order.

The details you need are:

1. **the Recipient** "St Mary & The Annunciation Parish NRCDT"
2. **the amount** which you can enter yourself; weekly or monthly; and
3. you need to put **your name** in the "reference" section so we can identify your payment.

The only other information you need is the parish **Sort Code** and **Account number**.

For data protection reasons those details cannot be printed here, but anyone wishing to proceed with this method is free to telephone:

Jim Howell on 07775602258 or  
email [jim@bleakhouse.org.uk](mailto:jim@bleakhouse.org.uk) and he will be happy to supply this information.