



Marple Bridge

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



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**SUNDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2020**

**27<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**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 between 9am and 5pm Monday to Friday:**  
**NEW MILLS                      07561 699278                      MARPLE BRIDGE    07723 381589**

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.

**QR Codes for the NHS tracing App are available in both churches.**

**Times of Holy Mass and other services**

Sat 3 October	1830	MB	Vigil Mass	Catherine Cortvriend RIP
Sun 4 27 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in OT	0930	NM	Mass	People of the Parish
Mon 5				
Tue 6				
Wed 7 Our Lady of the Rosary				
Thu 8	1030	NM	Mass	B. Etchells RIP
Fri 9 St John Henry Newman				
Sat 10 St Paulinus of York and the Anglo-Saxon Saints of the Diocese	1830	MB	Vigil Mass	Joseph McLean RIP
Sun 11 28 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in OT	0930	NM	Mass	People of the Parish

**THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS (YEAR A)**

First Reading  
**PSALM RESPONSE**  
Second Reading  
Gospel

Isaiah 5: 1-7  
**The vineyard of the Lord is the House of Israel.**  
Philippians 4: 6-9  
Matthew 21: 33-43

**NRCDT** (Nottingham Roman Catholic Diocesan Trust)  
Registered Charity Company No: 7151646    Charity No: 1134449  
Registered Office:  
Willson House, 25 Derby Road, Nottingham NG1 5AW

**Safeguarding Representative:**  
Mrs Jo Barber    (NM)  
Kate Hunt (Contact on 07790 102011 or via the Presbytery)

**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.

**THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION** can be offered, subject to certain COVID considerations. Please speak to Fr Daniel if you would like to arrange this Sacrament.

**THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND** I am keen that the parish can support those who are sick and housebound. Do let me know if there is somebody who would value the support of the Church. This would apply whether he/she is at home, in a care setting, or in hospital. What I am able to do will depend on restrictions, but I can offer whatever help I can.

It is important to note that the Church's care is not just for when death is very near. Of course this is a significant time for a priest to visit. But do remember that there are not many of us around nowadays. This is why it is good to notify the church when someone is sick or housebound, so that ongoing support can be provided.

**READERS** can now read at Marple Bridge Masses. You will need to sanitise hands before and after reading. There will be only one reader per Mass. If you would like to read, please mention this when booking. Many thanks.

**VENTILATION** is required during Mass, which means leaving doors open. This could well mean cold draughts in the building, although we are hoping the heating will counteract this somewhat.

**TO HAVE THE NEWSLETTER E-MAILED:** contact [news@stmarysmarplebridge.org.uk](mailto:news@stmarysmarplebridge.org.uk)

**A SECOND COLLECTION** for Peter's Pence will take place this weekend.

**WAYS 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.

If you are interested in setting up a standing order, contact Jim Howell on 07775602258 or email [jim@bleakhouse.org.uk](mailto:jim@bleakhouse.org.uk) and he will be happy to supply this information.

**THE ACADEMY TRUST** is currently advertising for a Lead Lay Chaplain to serve our St Ralph Sherwin Multi Academy Trust schools and communities. The closing date is Monday, 12 October 2020 at 9.00am.

For more information and how to apply for the vacancy, please visit <https://www.srscmat.co.uk/lead-lay-chaplain-homeworking-or-at-our-trust-cent/>

**CAFOD NEWS** 10/11 Oct: our parish is marking CAFOD's Family Fast Day to help people facing the worst of the coronavirus crisis. We've all felt the impact of this terrible disease – let's come together to help the poorest and most vulnerable people in the world survive, rebuild and heal. Please pray for all those affected. You can donate : **online** at [cafod.org.uk/give](https://cafod.org.uk/give), using one of the **envelopes** or **Text CAFOD to 70085** to donate £10. Texts cost £10 plus one standard rate message and you'll be opting in to hear more about our work and fundraising via telephone and SMS. If you'd like to give £10 but do not wish to receive marketing communications, text CAFODNOINFO to 70085

If you can access the internet, please have a look at this very short video which shows how our donations are being used to support poor communities around the world as they adapt to the impact of Covid-19.

<https://youtu.be/5GagOhIBb8y>

**FROM DEBBIE: Missio Red Box Holders** I have put some collection envelopes and magazines in the porch at New Mills for people who have red boxes they would like to be emptied. While the COVID restrictions are in place, holders may empty boxes themselves and place the contents in the envelopes. I am hoping to bank the donations in November so if the envelopes could be returned to church by 2nd November 2020 that would be appreciated.

If you wish to donate in other ways Missio have suggested the following ways  
At their website: <https://missio.org.uk/redbox/>

By phone: If you prefer to donate over the phone, please call 020 7821 9755 during office hours. (Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm)

By cheque: If you prefer to donate by cheque, please make payable to Missio-Mill Hill and send to Red Box, 23 Eccleston Square, London SW1V 1NU.

They also have facilities to pay by standing order, text and bank transfer. Please contact me if you would like more information about this. My phone number should be on the label on your red box.

## **PRO-LIFE NEWS**

During the Coronavirus pandemic unborn babies and their mothers have been at even greater risk of abortion. The Government's "pills through the post", brought in as a Covid measure, means that over 23,000 women in England and Wales aborted their baby at home during lockdown. Please help us to spread the truth about DIY abortion and save women and babies from the tragedy of abortion.

Will you deliver pro-life information leaflets about DIY abortions door-to-door in your area? Every leaflet could make the difference to a vulnerable woman and save a baby's life. Please go to our website to learn more and order some leaflets. Or you can order leaflets by calling SPUC on 020 7091 7091.

### **Sign the petition to save the right to save lives**

Pro-abortion MPs in Parliament want to stop pregnant women getting help outside abortion clinics by calling for buffer zones. SPUC is campaigning to save the right for peaceful pro-life vigils to take place. Hundreds of children are alive today in this country because their mother met a loving pro-life person just before they walked into the abortion clinic. We must protect this vital work.

Please sign our petition to save the right to save lives. It only takes a minute of your time, but it could mean a lifetime for an unborn baby. You can sign the petition here: <https://spuc.org.uk/SaveTheRightToSaveLives>

**CATECHISTS' ONLINE MEETING:** This will take place across the diocese on Tuesday 13th October at 7.00pm on Zoom. Bishop Patrick and Joe Hopkins, the new director of formation, will both have some input, with a view to determining how the diocesan central team can support local initiatives. To register for this meeting, go to: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/catechist-network-diocese-of-nottingham-tickets-119228324127>

**LIVING LIKE THE SAINTS** is another online course, looking at a different saint every two weeks. For more information and registration details, go to: [www.christianheritagecentre.com/events](http://www.christianheritagecentre.com/events) or email direct to [events@christianheritagecentre.com](mailto:events@christianheritagecentre.com)