

#### Marple Bridge

# The Catholic Community Newsletter for the parish of

St Mary Marple Bridge

### The Annunciation

**New Mills** 



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## SUNDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2020 29<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 17 October	1830	MB	Vigil Mass	Paul Maxfield RIP
Sun 18 29 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in OT	0930	NM	Mass	People of the Parish
Mon 19				
Tue 20				
Wed 21				
Thu 22	1030	NM	Mass	Betty Etchells RIP + children
Fri 23				
Sat 24	1830	MB	Vigil Mass	Maureen Matthews RIP
Sun 25 30 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in OT	0930	NM	Mass	People of the Parish

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

First Reading Isaiah 45: 1, 4-6

PSALM RESPONSE Give the Lord glory and power.

Second Reading 1 Thessalonians 1: 1-5 Gospel Matthew 22: 15-21

<u>Sunday Mass Obligation:</u> If you are shielding, vulnerable or 'bubbling' with somebody in these categories, please 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.

**Safeguarding Representative:** 

Mrs Jo Barber (NM)

Kate Hunt (Contact on 07790 102011 or via the Presbytery)

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.

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

<u>VENTILATION</u> 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

A SECOND COLLECTION for WORLD MISSION SUNDAY will take place this weekend.

<u>Ways to Donate</u> The Diocese has set up a system of online donations, whereby payments can be made to various funds, including individual parishes. Go to <a href="https://www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/">https://www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/</a> 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 and he will supply this information.

<u>IT HAS NOT YET BEEN POSSIBLE</u> to arrange a midweek Mass at Marple Bridge. However, there is usually plenty of space at the New Mills weekday Masses.

<u>A request for information</u> has come from somebody researching family. It concerns John Joseph Cuffe who died in the war in 1944. He was married to Doris Cuffe, and was the son of John and Mary Cuffe. Apparently the family was attached to New Mills. Any information – please do get in contact.

**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.

**THE 'CATHOLIC NEWS'** is available, free of charge. Please take it with you if you have come into contact with it. The same goes for all similar items.

**PRO-LIFE NEWS** Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> October is the 53<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of the Abortion Act being passed in England and Wales. Since 1967 over nine million babies have lost their lives to abortion. Millions of women and men have also had to deal with the suffering which so often follows an abortion. Please join us in praying and fasting for the end of abortion in this country on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> October. For Post Abortion help

and to support Pro-Life counselling see **www.GoodCounselNetwork.com** Please invite your friends and Family to join us via this Facebook event: **https://www.facebook.com/events/2739924072936969** 

Help protect babies with cleft lip, cleft palate and club foot Sadly abortion is currently available in the UK, right up to birth, for babies with cleft lip, cleft palate and club foot. All of these conditions can be corrected. A cross-party group of MPs from the three largest parties in the UK Parliament have come together to bring forward the Abortion (Cleft lip, cleft palate and club foot) Bill. The Bill will change the law to clarify that cleft palate, cleft lip, and club foot are not grounds for abortion in the UK.

Can you help with getting your MP to support the Bill? Please visit www.standupandsmile.org.uk to email your MP asking them to support the Bill. It only takes 30 seconds.

TOGETHER, WE ARE CARITAS: Building social action in the Diocese of Nottingham - Saturday 7 November 2020 by Zoom (with a telephone option). Nottingham Diocese is joining Caritas, the Church's worldwide ministry of charity. Soon our parish will be part of one of the biggest humanitarian organisations on the planet – and you are invited to be part of it. Join Bishop Patrick, Caritas Social Action Network, the diocesan Justice & Peace Commission and Catholics from all round our diocese. In two 90-minute online sessions at 11.00 a.m. and 1.30 p.m. we'll take practical steps, in parishes and chaplaincies across the diocese, to bring the Gospel to life, locally and globally. For details and booking visit dioceseofnottingham.uk/faithintoaction or call 07470 907656 for further information.

IF ANYONE IS INTERESTED in representing the parish in the above endeavour, please let me know.