

Marple Bridge

The Catholic Community Newsletter for the parish of

and

St Mary Marple Bridge

The Annunciation

New Mills



New Mills

Fr. Daniel Palmer Parochial Administrator

St. Mary's Church, Hollins Lane, Marple Bridge, SK6 5BB

Personal email: daniel.palmer@dioceseofnottingham.uk General email: saintmarysmarplebridge@btopenworld.com In case of serious illness ONLY: 01457 620272 All other enquiries: 0161 427 2408

www.stmarysmarplebridge.org.uk www.stmarysnewmills.org.uk

SUNDAY 25TH OCTOBER 2020

30TH 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 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 keep 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 24 October	1830	MB	Vigil Mass	Maureen Matthews RIP
Sun 25 30 th Sunday in OT	0930	NM	Mass	People of the Parish
Mon 26				
Tue 27	1100	NM	Serv.	Funeral:Jean Lyne RIP (invitation only)
Wed 28 St Simon & St Jude				
Thu 29	1030	NM	Mass	John Kane RIP
Fri 30				
Sat 31	1830	MB	Vigil Mass	Canon Christopher Tuckwell RIP
Sun 1 Nov ALL SAINTS	0930	NM	Mass	People of the Parish

THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS (YEAR A)

First Reading Exodus 22: 20-26

PSALM RESPONSE I love you, Lord, my strength.

1 Thessalonians 1: 5-10 Second Reading

Matthew 22: 34-40 Gospel

Safeguarding Representative:

Mrs Jo Barber (NM)

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

<u>SUNDAY MASS OBLIGATION:</u> 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 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>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

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 and he will be happy to supply this information.

<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.

Mr. Ian Taylor is standing down as parish caretaker and is moving away from the parish. On behalf of the New Mills community I wish to thank him most sincerely for all the work he has done. We look forward to the day when our hall can re-open again. Having said that, it was in use briefly as overspill for the school just before the summer break, and Ian was instrumental in making that happen. Because Ian has is leaving a little sooner than anticipated, we are sadly not able to have a presentation.

This does mean that nobody is scheduled to attend to the New Mills dustbins. Would any parishioners be willing to put out the relevant bins on a Sunday evening and put them back on a Monday? If there are a few people then this would make things easier. Many thanks.

A Message: "Mary Chadwick wishes to thank all our friends who kindly had Masses said for my sister Betty Etchells. God bless you all and keep you safe. Big hugs from me and Anita her daughter."

November is the traditional month of prayer for the dead. With circumstances as they are, it will not be possible to have the usual November cemetery visits. There will not be a 'November dead list' but do feel free to request Masses for particular intentions. If anybody would like names added to the list of remembrance, please pass these on to me by the 16th November. I will then put the names together and place a copy in both New Mills and Marple Bridge for the remainder of the month.

PRO-LIFE NEWS Tuesday 27th October is the 53rd 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

27th 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.

<u>WE PRAY FOR</u> Jean Lyne who has recently died. Let us pray also for her family and friends at this difficult time.

TO HAVE THE NEWSLETTER E-MAILED: contact news@stmarysmarplebridge.org.uk