



Marple Bridge
(Hollins Lane)

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



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SUNDAY 14TH FEBRUARY 2021

SIXTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

Guidance for attending Mass:

Because of limited capacity, anyone wishing to attend Mass **on weekends and holy days** 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 in time for stewards to show you to your allocated space. Social distancing operates 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 13	1830	MB	Vigil Mass	B O'Dwyer
Sun 14 6 th Sunday in O.T.	0930	NM	Mass	People of the Parish
Wed 17 ASH WEDNESDAY BOOKING REQUIRED	1030 1830	NM MB	Mass Mass	Rene Tierney RIP Fr Tom Jordan RIP
Sat 20	1830	MB	Vigil Mass	People of the Parish
Sun 21 1 st Sunday of Lent	0930	NM	Mass	Catherine Hodnett

THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS (YEAR B)

First Reading Leviticus 13: 1-2, 44-46
Psalm Response **You are my refuge, O Lord; you fill me with the joy of salvation.**
Second Reading 1 Corinth. 10: 31 – 11: 1
Gospel Mark 1: 40-45

A video from the New Mills schoolchildren:

<https://saint-marys-catholic-voluntary.primarysite.media/media/liturgical-dance-for-ash-wednesday>

Please pray for Joan Kerrigan and Jani Abbs-Brown whose funerals take place this week. We pray for all their families and friends.

Please note that **confessions** are available on request in our churches.

NRC DT (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)

Sycamore' Lent Course: We start our course next Tuesday 23rd February, at 7pm. Before then we will be sending information on 'how' to participate direct to those who have indicated they wish to take part, although working on our own computers at home, it will be really easy to take part and join with other parishioners. So, if you haven't told us by Ash Wednesday, we won't be able to send you the information. Sign up now, by sending an email to the Parish Office.

VARIOUS EVENTS. PLEASE CONTACT THE PRESBYTERY FOR JOINING DETAILS WHERE RELEVANT

- **Daily Podcast — The Bible in a Year.** Fr Mike Shchmitz leads you through the Bible in one year with daily Podcasts of 20-25mins with a reflection. Find on your podcast service or visit:
<https://media.ascensionpress.com/all-bible-in-a-year-episodes/>
- **Seven Week Bible study series** — the aim of this series is to provide a sense of Scripture as a whole
- **Weekly Scripture Webinar** — The Dominican Sisters of St Joseph lead a weekly webinar on Wednesdays at 7pm looking at the coming Sunday's Gospel.
- **Monthly Talks** — The Diocese of Menevia has organised monthly talks on scripture on YouTube
- **Bible Timeline Course** — a free national course live streamed looking at the timeline of the Bible, starting 7th April.
- **Lenten Retreat on Hope** — The Dominican Sisters of St Joseph will lead a weekly 45min talk on how we can find hope by looking at a different biblical character every week in Lent.
- **Being Evangelising Catechists** — On February 11th at 7pm Dr James Puley, with the Archdiocese of Southwark, will lead a masterclass on making our catechesis a moment of evangelisation based on his latest book: Masterclass
- **Knowing Jesus Online Retreat** — Daily Prayer and reflection led by the Ignatian Spirituality Centre, option for group discussion.
- **Christian Heritage Centre** — The Christian Heritage Centre, based in Stonyhurst, have a range of courses, talks and conferences aimed at: young adults, healthcare professionals, parishioners and more

(The Year of the Word continues... Due to the pandemic the Bishops of England and Wales decided to extend the 'God who Speaks' initiative throughout 2021. Regular resources are uploaded to www.godwhospeaks.uk)

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 and he will be happy to supply this information.

Marriage is a lifelong vocation of a man and a woman to a community of life and love open to children, and, between the baptized, it is a Sacrament. Aware of the many pressures today which can endanger family life, the Church is constantly concerned to make sure that those of you planning to marry are prepared as well as possible. We would like to remind those who wish to marry of the following:

1. It is important that a couple go to see their priest in good time before their wedding. Normally, at least six months' notice should be given.
2. Marriage preparation is carried out by the Priest, often assisted by a group from the parish. Courses arranged on a Deanery basis are recommended.
3. Catholics are reminded of their obligation to preserve their faith and to do all they can within the unity of their partnership to have all their children baptized and brought up in the faith and practice of the Catholic Church.
4. Non-Catholic partners will be informed of this promise, but they are not asked to make this or any similar promise.
5. Dispensation for a marriage between a Catholic and a non-Catholic to take place in a non-Catholic church can only be granted for a serious reason. Couples who wish to marry in a non-Catholic church should discuss the matter with their priest in good time before their wedding day to see whether a dispensation could be granted.

All couples marrying these days need the support of the local Church. In this way they will be strengthened in their preparation for marriage, in celebrating their marriage, and in living out their covenant with one another.

We wish to thank all those married people who show such constancy and fidelity to their vocation of marriage. May their example inspire those planning to marry in the Church.

Right Reverend Patrick McKinney

Bishop of Nottingham