



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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1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

Lectionary: Year C (Sundays), Year 2 (Weekdays)

		Place		Intention
Sat 5	1830	MB	Vigil Mass	Deborah Whitehouse RIP
Sun 6 1 st Sunday of Lent	0930	NM	Mass	People of the Parish
	12noon	MB	Mass	---
Mon 7				
Tue 8				
Wed 9				
Thu 10	1000	NM	Mass	---
	1030	NM	Stat.	Stations of the Cross
Fri 11	1000	MB	Mass	---
Sat 12	1030	MB	Stat.	Stations of the Cross
	1100	MB	Meal	Lenten lunch: Old school rooms
	1830	MB	Vigil Mass	---
Sun 13 2 nd Sunday of Lent (collection of CAFOD envs.)	0930	NM	Mass	Michael Walsh
	12noon	MB	Mass	People of the Parish

Please note carefully the changes above.

Confession times: New Mills – after Sunday Mass. Marple Bridge – Saturday 1800 to 1820. Please ask. Other times available by appointment.

Please pray for those who are sick: Joan Bindley, David Cochrane, Dorothy Graham. If you would like to be added to this list, please contact the parish office or collect a form from the back of church.

Please pray for those whose anniversary of death occurs in March: Maureen Torkington, Norah Pierce, Doris Keating, Ann Shillito, Gerard Brierley, Christine Johnstone, Tina Roche

Let us pray for Deborah Whitehouse who has died recently. May she rest in peace, and her family and friends be comforted.

Traidcraft The new spring catalogues have been published and there will be a chance to look at them and place an order on Saturday 5th and Sunday 6th March after both masses in the Old School, Marple Bridge. **Fairtrade refreshments will be served.** All welcome.

Following the meeting last Tuesday at Marple Bridge to discuss ideas for a permanent memorial to Fr John Cairns, we have pleasure in announcing that the way forward is to fund two benches with plaques. One of these will be sited in the cemetery, for quiet reflection, as Fr John was instrumental in the extension of the cemetery. The second bench will be sited before the entrance to the church with a memorial garden created at each side. Gordon and Laurie thank all the parishioners who attended for their enthusiastic contributions.

Stop new abortion threat: Baroness Sugg has tabled an amendment to the Health and Care Bill that would make 'DIY' at-home abortion permanent. It is vital that as many Peers as possible oppose this amendment. Right To Life UK has launched an easy-to-use tool on its website that makes it easy for you to send an email to a randomly-assigned Peer asking them to oppose the amendment. Please visit www.righttolife.org.uk/DIYabortionthreat to contact your MP now. It only takes two minutes.

A reminder that there is a food bank collection point at the back of Church in Marple Bridge.

BIG BREW Marple URC are once again having a Traidcraft 'Big Brew' event in Fairtrade Fortnight. This will take place at Marple URC on Saturday 5th March between 2 and 4 pm. Tea/Coffee/cakes, a Traidcraft stall and a Bring and Buy (preferably books and jigsaws and small items rather than large Bric a Brac). Spring Traidcraft catalogues will be available. All welcome.

Lord, be the beginning and end
of all that we do and say.
Prompt our actions with your grace,
and complete them with your all-powerful help.
Through Christ our Lord.

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