



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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(St Mary's Road)

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27TH MARCH 2022 4TH SUNDAY OF LENT Lectionary: Year C (Sundays), Year 2 (Weekdays)

		Place		Intention
Sat 26	1830	MB	Vigil Mass	---
Sun 27 4 th Sunday of Lent	0930	NM	Mass	Brown McGrath family ints. People of the Parish
	12noon	MB	Mass	
Mon 28				
Tue 29	1030	NM	Mass	Tom Delaney Followed by Stations of the Cross
Wed 30	1000	MB	Mass	---
Thu 31				
Fri 1 April	1800	MB	Stat.	Stations of the Cross ---
	1830	MB	Mass	
Sat 2	1830	MB	Vigil Mass	---
Sun 3 5 th Sunday of Lent	0930	NM	Mass	People of the Parish ---
	12noon	MB	Mass	

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

A church grounds spring clean will take place at New Mills on Friday 8th April in readiness for Easter week. If you can spare an hour please come along:10 am - 12.

Congratulations to George whose baptism took place recently.

An online workshop for anyone interested in knowing more about, or developing, the **Church's welcome for Ukrainian Refugees** is being held this coming Monday, 28th March, at 2.00pm-3.30pm. To register for the event visit bit.ly/ParishesofWelcome or email caritas@dioceseofnottingham.uk

Fr John memorial Mass. Thanks very much to the whole parish and beyond on the wonderful occasion of this memorial. Far too many people were involved to identify anyone in particular. It was a wonderful occasion, a prayerful remembrance and witness in Fr John's memory - exactly as he would have wished. Fr John's family were overwhelmed with the welcome, service, attendance and meeting so many afterwards.

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

The offertory envelopes for the financial year beginning April 2022 have arrived and people who require one should contact Jim Howell on news@stmarysmarplebridge.org.uk or on 07775602258.

It has been very hard to organise the collection, counting and declaration for envelopes for the last two years and Jim would like to thank all who have helped in any way with this. Things are improving but we are not back to normal so it would be much appreciated if anyone who does NOT pay income tax refrained from using an envelope this year. (You can still put money in the collections of course.) If anyone who is using electronic payments would continue to do so, this would be a great help. We hope to restore a full normal service in April 2023.

GodCalls Adventure from the National Office for Vocation, is a free, 40-day self-guided course which aims to help you grow in holiness, and root each day in prayer. You will find resources on the website <https://www.godcalls.co.uk/godcalls-adventure> to guide you in how to plan your days putting God at the centre of your life, engage in prolonged prayer and journal your progress.

The downloadable resources focus on cultivating different virtues, ranging from meekness to purity, gratitude to courage. There is also guidance on using the Bible, and how to pray and reflect with the Rosary and the Stations of the Cross. Join the private Facebook group where you can find support and fellowship (type GodCalls Adventure into the search bar in Facebook to join). GodCalls Adventure is not just for Lent. Try the 40 days at any point of the year.

EASTER SERVICES THIS YEAR

Please note: there are sign-up sheets for the various services over Easter. Only sign up for roles indicated NM if your main church is New Mills, and the same for Marple Bridge. This is to ensure a good balance of people as we combine for these great ceremonies, and to avoid duplication. Many thanks.

Advance notice of the main Easter Services:

Maundy Thursday	1900	Marple Bridge	(The Lord's Supper)
Good Friday	1500	Marple Bridge	(The Lord's Passion)
	1900	New Mills	(Stations of the Cross)
Holy Saturday	2030	Marple Bridge	(The Sacred Vigil)
Easter Sunday	0930	New Mills	(Mass of Easter Day)
	12noon	Marple Bridge	(Mass of Easter Day)

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