



Marple Bridge  
(Hollins Lane)

The Catholic Community Newsletter  
for the parish of  
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## 1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT

		Place		Intention
Sat 30th November	4.00pm	MB	Mass	
Sun 1 <sup>st</sup> December	9.30am	NM	Mass	Dominic Nicholas R.I.P & Sweatlin Ajthu (Birthday)
	12 noon	MB	Mass	
Wed 4 <sup>th</sup> December	10.00am	MB	Mass	Thomas Delaney R.I.P
Thurs 5 <sup>th</sup> December		NM	No Mass	
Fri 6 <sup>th</sup> December		MB	No Mass	Christmas Lunch at 12.30 Devonshire Arms, Mellor
Sat 7 <sup>th</sup> December	4.00pm	MB	Mass	
Sun 8 <sup>th</sup> December	9.30am	NM	Mass	
	12 noon	MB	Mass	

**PLEASE PRAY** for the sick: David Cochrane, Dorothy Graham, Mary Bradbury and Marie Davies.  
To be added to this list, please contact the parish office or collect a form from the back of church.

## **CHRISTMAS MASSES:**

### **Christmas Eve Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> December**

Carols at 5-30 p.m. at New Mills

Followed by Family Mass at 6-00 p.m New Mills

Christmas Vigil Mass at 8-00 p.m at Marple Bridge

### **Christmas Day Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> December**

Mass 9-30 a.m. at New Mills

Mass 11-30 a.m. at Marple Bridge

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION** - Our next Eucharistic Adoration will be on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November at 11.00am at New Mills; we will be praying for the sanctity of life and its protection. If you would like to read, please arrive a few minutes early and speak with Fionuala or Mary; all are welcome.

**PARISH CHRISTMAS LUNCH** Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2024, Devonshire Arms Mellor.

Arrive 12.30 - Meal served at 1pm.

Final numbers have been confirmed with the venue and no further requests can be accepted.

58 of us can enjoy good food and good company. Thanks to all who are supporting this event.

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** – The next Parish Council Meeting is on the 12<sup>th</sup> of December, if any parishioners would like anything to be discussed at the meeting, could you let Mrs Brennan, Parish Administrator or Denise (chair) know please.

**ADVENT RETREAT:** Save the date- There will be a Parish Advent retreat on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> December at New Mills from 10.00am until 1.00pm; there will be Adoration and the opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, a talk and a Mass; all are welcome.

**CHRISTMAS CARDS** Available at the back of church New Mills. All donations will go to the Sick and Retired Priests fund. Thank you.

**CARETAKER VACANCY:** We now have a Caretaker opportunity at New Mills. If you are interested, please contact the Parish Administrator or Father Emmanuel. Please note this is a paid role.

**FOOD BANK:** Available at the back of Marple Bridge Church. Donations welcome. Many thanks go to Gloria who looks after this charity.

**PATRICIA ATKINSON:** We are announcing the retirement of our Finance Officer and previous Parish Administrator after 24 years of commitment and dedicated service to our parish. As a parish community, we wish to express our gratitude to her and wish Patricia the very best and a long happy retirement.

