



Marple Bridge  
(Hollins Lane)

The Catholic Community Newsletter  
for the parish of  
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## 3rd SUNDAY OF ADVENT (GAUDETE SUNDAY)

		Place		Intention
Sat 14 <sup>th</sup> December	4.00pm	MB	Mass	November dead list (R.I.P)
Sun 15 <sup>th</sup> December	9.30am 12 noon	NM MB	Mass Mass	Mass for the people
Wed 18 <sup>th</sup> December		MB	No Mass	
Thurs 19 <sup>th</sup> December		NM	No Mass	
Fri 20 <sup>th</sup> December	10.00am	MB	Mass	
Sat 21 <sup>st</sup> December	10.00am 4.00pm	NM MB	Mass	Parish Advent Retreat
Sun 22 <sup>nd</sup> December	9.30am 12 noon	NM MB	Mass Mass	Edward, Bridget and Lilian MacDonough R.I.P

**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

**FATHER AWAY ON RETREAT:** 16<sup>th</sup> December – 19<sup>th</sup> December. In the event of any emergency, you may want to contact Father Carvill. I have all of you in my prayers during this time of reflection and prayer.

**ADVENT RETREAT:** Save the date- There will be a Parish Advent retreat on Saturday 21st 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.

**SECOND COLLECTION:** This weekend 14/15 December we take the second collection for the Poor and Needy Parishes.

**PARISH CENSUS:** Thank you to all who completed the Parish Census and handed them in last weekend. Your support is much appreciated.