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**The Catholic Community Newsletter**  
for the parish of  
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## EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

		Place		Intention
Sat 1 <sup>st</sup> March	4.00pm	MB	<b>Mass</b>	Tom Roche R.I.P by Rosemary Yuill
Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	9.30am	NM	<b>Mass</b>	Chris Hill R.I.P by Pat McGrath
	12 noon	MB	<b>Mass</b>	Kate and Sarah Lee R.I.P by George Lee
Wed 5 <sup>th</sup> March	10.00am	MB	<b>Mass</b>	Ash Wednesday
	2.00pm	NM		Ash Wednesday Service at New Mills School
Thurs 6 <sup>th</sup> March	10.00am	NM	<b>Mass</b>	
Fri 7 <sup>th</sup> March			<b>No Mass</b>	Lenten Mass at Matlock at 7pm
Sat 8 <sup>th</sup> March	4.00pm	MB	<b>Mass</b>	Joan Grieves by Ann Swainbank
Sun 9 <sup>th</sup> March	9.30am	NM	<b>Mass</b>	Christine Martin R.I.P by David and Margaret Mellor
	12 noon	MB	<b>Mass</b>	Thomas Delaney 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.

**ST MARYS CHURCH CLOSURE** Parishioners questions and comments have now been sent to our Bishop with also an invitation to meet with us all. A copy of the letter and questions are available at the back of both churches for you to read.

**UPDATE:** Laurie spoke after both masses at MB last weekend and he will speak after mass this weekend at NM. There will be a meeting after noon mass this Sunday at MB to discuss how to engage with our Bishop and to reverse the decision to close St Mary's church in six weeks time. We have no further details to date only the information in the Bishop letter.

**REFRESHMENTS AFTER 9.30 MASS** Tea and Coffee in Church Hall after 9.30am mass at New Mills, all welcome. If you are new to the Parish, come and make new friends.

**ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE** at (St. Marys New Mills) at 2.00pm, all parishioners are welcome to join school for this service for the receiving of ashes.

**WALK WITH ME FOR LENT 2025** Daily prayers commencing on Ash Wednesday March 5th through to Easter Sunday April 20th. Available THIS WEEKEND to purchase for £1.00 each from Pauline Gavin at New Mills and Ann Lyon at both masses at Marple Bridge.

**EUCCHARISTIC RETREAT:** Next Saturday, 8th March at New Mills, we will be hosting a Eucharistic retreat with teas and coffees from 9.30am. The day will consist of two sessions, one exploring the Eucharistic miracles that have taken place over the years and the second reflecting on the meaning of the Eucharist, particularly the Mass. Monseigneur Jonathan Moore will be saying Mass, followed by a period of Adoration, during which there will be an opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The day will finish at 3.30pm so please bring a packed lunch. Attendance at this day would also satisfy the requirements for Eucharistic Ministers to attend an annual renewal day although all are welcome to come along and learn more about our faith.

**WEDNESDAY CLUB:** A great turnout and MRS A ASHTON took all the prizes. The next meeting will be 28th May as the bingo caller is unavailable the next 2 Months.

**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. Donations are taken to the Pantry at the Connect Building, 23 Queen Street, Marple. (opposition Marple Cinema). Food Parcels are distributed between 10 and 12pm each Saturday.