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The Catholic Community Newsletter
for the parish of
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SECOND WEEK OF LENT

		Place		Intention
Sat 15 th March	4.00pm	MB	Mass	Bernard Sharky R.I.P by Denise Ead
Sun 16 th March	9.30am	NM	Mass	
	12 noon	MB	Mass	Sarah Lee R.I.P by George Lee
Wed 19th March	10.00am	MB	Mass	
Thurs 20th March	10.00am	NM	Mass	
Fri 21 st March			No Mass	
Sat 22nd March	4.00pm	MB	Mass	Rita Moore by Pat Carter
Sun 23rd March	9.30am	NM	Mass	
	12 noon	MB	Mass	Kate Hunt (Special Intention)

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 PROPOSED CHURCH CLOSURE In response to the letter containing Parishioners questions sent to our Bishop, Canon John Kyne (Vicar General) and David Lawes (Chief Operating Officer) have been asked by Bishop McKinney to come to Marple Bridge to meet with Parishioners to discuss the closure of St Mary's Church this Easter. The meeting has been arranged for Friday 14th March at 4:00 pm at Marple Bridge. This is our one chance to put our views forward and to try to keep our St Mary's Church open. Please come. Denise Chair of Parish Council

CONSULTATION QUESTIONNAIRE: These will be at the back of each church. The Bishop has requested for you take them home and complete these and return by 13th April 2025.

REFRESHMENTS AFTER 9.30 MASS Tea and Coffee in Church Hall after 9.30am mass at New Mills, all welcome.

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.

INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER: This will take place on Friday 28th March 2025 at New Mills straight after 10am mass for one hour. There will be signup sheet at the back of both churches for anyone who is interested.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Every Friday at 6.30pm at New Mills, during this period of Lent.

EASTER SERVICES: Sheets are now available at the back of each church for volunteers to put their names on for reading during our Easter services within the parish. Place your names on the sheet as soon as you can.

WEDNESDAY CLUB: We have now found a bingo caller to cover the next 2 meetings so we are pleased that they will now go ahead. The dates are: Wednesday 19th March and Wednesday 23rd April. Usual times and arrangements. All are welcome.

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.

SECOND COLLECTION: This weekend Sunday 16th March there will be a collection for CAFOD (Lent Fast Day).