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**The Catholic Community Newsletter
for the parishes of**

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SECOND WEEK OF LENT

		Place		Intention
Sat 28 th February	11.00am	NM	Eucharistic Adoration	
	4.00pm	MB	Mass – Adoration & Confessions from 3.30pm	
	5.00pm	CEF	Live streamed mass – Adoration and Confessions from 4.30pm	
Sun 1 st March	9.30am	NM	Mass – Adoration & Confessions from 9.00am	Margaret Cahalane R.I.P
	10.00am	BUX	Live streamed Mass – Adoration & Confessions from 9.30am.	Jim McGrath R.I.P (ann)
	11.30am	MB	Mass – Adoration & Confessions from 11.00am	David Carter R.I.P
Mon 2 nd March	10.00am	BUX	Mass – Adoration from 9.30am	
Tues 3 rd March	10.00am	NM	Mass – Adoration from 9.30am	
Wed 4 th March	10.00am	MB	Mass – Adoration from 9.30am	John Rhind R.I.P
	10.00am	CEF	Mass - Adoration from 9.30am	
Thurs 5 th March	10.00am	NM	Mass – Adoration from 9.30am	
Fri 6 th March	10.00am	BUX	Mass – Adoration from 9.30am	
	10.00am	MB	Mass – Adoration from 9.30am	
Sat 7 th March	4.00pm	MB	Mass – Adoration & Confessions from 3.30pm	
	5.00pm	CEF	Live streamed mass – Adoration and Confessions from 4.30pm	
Sun 8 th March	THIRD WEEK OF LENT			
	9.30am	NM	Mass – Adoration & Confessions from 9.00am	
	10.00am	BUX	Live streamed Mass – Adoration & Confessions from 9.30am	
	11.30am	MB	Mass – Adoration & Confessions from 11.00am	

PLEASE PRAY for the sick: Marie Davies, Maria Dawson, Patricia Atkinson. To be added to this list, please contact the parish office or collect a form from the back of church.

NEWS FROM THE PARISH

RECENTLY DECEASED Please remember in your Masses and Prayers Patricia Reynolds (Mother of Nick Reynolds NM) and Paul Lehane (Margaret Swift's Brother-in-law).

FR GREG WRITES: Second Sunday of Lent. In today's Gospel from **Matthew 17:1-9**, we hear the account of the Transfiguration. Jesus takes Peter, James and John up a high mountain where they see Him transfigured before them — His face shining like the sun and His clothes dazzling white. In that moment, the disciples are given a glimpse of Christ's divine glory.

The Transfiguration comes at a time when the disciples are beginning to understand that following Jesus will lead them towards the Cross. This moment of light and revelation strengthens them for the journey ahead. During this season of Lent, we too are invited to listen to the voice of God who says: *"This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to Him."* Lent is our opportunity to step aside from the busyness of daily life, to climb the mountain through prayer, fasting and almsgiving, and to renew our commitment to walk in Christ's way. Today we collect our **CAFOD Family Fast Day** envelopes. Please place your envelope in the collection or return it to the parish as soon as possible. Donations will be sent directly to CAFOD to support communities around the world who are struggling with poverty, hunger and the effects of climate change. Your generosity offers practical hope and support to those most in need this Lent. This coming Friday we also mark the **Women's World Day of Prayer**, a global ecumenical movement led by Christian women of many traditions who come together in prayer and action for peace and justice throughout the world.

The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for March is for nuclear disarmament and peace, and families in crisis — that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts even in their differences. We are encouraged to keep this intention in our prayers throughout the month.

The **new Diocesan Year Book** is now available at the back of the church. £6. Please do take a copy.

St Patrick's Day Celebrations

Everyone is warmly invited to our St Patrick's Day gatherings — a chance to celebrate together in joy and friendship:

Chapel: Friday 13 March, 7.00pm

Buxton: Saturday 14 March, 7.00pm

New Mills: Wednesday 18 March, 2.00pm

Marple Bridge: Friday 20th March, 2.00pm

Please bring your **own instruments** (beginners very welcome), along with **drinks and nibbles**, and join us for an enjoyable time together. May this Lent be a season of grace, generosity, and renewed discipleship for us all.

SATURDAY MORNING EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: Our next hour of Adoration at New Mills will be on Saturday 28th February at 11.00am; the theme of our prayer will be Lent; all are welcome.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER World Day of Prayer on Friday 6 March at 2pm. St Martin's Church on Brabyns Brow. If you would like to go and need a lift, please contact Kate Hunt on 07790102011.

COFFEE MORNING at Marple URC, Hibbert Lane, Marple from 10.30am-12.30pm on Saturday 7th March. There will be a cake stall, jigsaw and book sale as well as an Ethical Goods stall. Our MP Lisa Smart will be attending. All welcome!

NEWS FROM OTHER PARISHES

Saturday 7th March: CAFOD Big Lent Walk, meeting at 12.00 noon, car park of Our Lady of Lourdes, Ashby de la Zouch, Station Road, LE65 2GL. All are welcome!

BANK DETAILS: A number of parishioners have asked for our bank details so that they can set up standing orders. Thank you for your continued generosity. Sort Code: 30-96-18 Account : 03900906 Name of account: St Mary & Annun Marple Bridge & New Mills Bank: Lloyds plc.