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**FIFTH WEEK OF LENT**

		Place		Intention
Sat 21 <sup>st</sup> March	4.00pm	<b>MB</b>	Mass – Adoration, Confessions & Anointing from 3.30pm	
	5.00pm	CEF	Live streamed mass – Adoration, Confessions & Anointing from 4.30pm	
Sun 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	<b>PASSION SUNDAY</b>			
	9.30am	<b>NM</b>	Mass – Adoration, Confessions & Anointing from 9.00am	
	10.00am	BUX	Live streamed Mass – Adoration, Confessions & Anointing from 9.30am.	Sr Perpetua R.I.P
	11.30am	<b>MB</b>	Mass – Adoration, Confessions & Anointing from 11.00am	
	12.30pm	<b>MB</b>	Baptism of Nancy Bebbington	
Mon 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	10.00am	BUX	Mass – Adoration, Confessions & Anointing from 9.30am	
Tues 24 <sup>th</sup> March	10.00am	<b>NM</b>	Mass – Adoration, Confessions & Anointing 9.30am	Carol Hodnett (Birthday) R.I.P
Wed 25 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD (SOLEMNITY)</b>			
	10.00am	<b>MB</b>	Mass – Adoration, Confessions & Anointing 9.30am. <i>Stations of the Cross after Mass.</i>	
	10.00am	CEF	Mass - Adoration, Confessions & Anointing 9.30am	
Thurs 26 <sup>th</sup> March	10.00am	<b>NM</b>	Mass – Adoration, Confessions & Anointing from 9.30am	
Fri 27 <sup>th</sup> March	10.00am	BUX	Mass – Adoration, Confessions & Anointing from 9.30am	
	10.00am	<b>MB</b>	Mass – Adoration, Confessions & Anointing from 9.30am	
	6.00pm	<b>NM</b>	Stations of the Cross	
Sat 28 <sup>th</sup> March	9.30-2.30	<b>NM</b>	Eucharistic Adoration	
	4.00pm	<b>MB</b>	Mass – Adoration, Confessions & Anointing from 3.30pm	Thomas Delaney R.I.P
	5.00pm	CEF	Live streamed mass – Adoration, Confessions & Anointing from 4.30pm	
Sun 29 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>SIXTH WEEK OF LENT – PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD</b>			
	9.30am	<b>NM</b>	Mass – Adoration, Confessions & Anointing from 9.00am	
	10.00am	BUX	Live streamed Mass – Adoration, Confessions & Anointing from 9.30am	
	11.30am	<b>MB</b>	Mass – Adoration, Confessions & Anointing from 11.00am	Thomas Delaney (Birthday) R.I.P
	12.30pm	<b>MB</b>	Baptism of Otilie Blossom Mater	

## **NEWS FROM THE PARISH**

**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.

**RECENTLY DECEASED** Please remember in your Masses and Prayers Michael Hammond.

**FR GREG WRITES:** As we enter the fifth week of Lent, the Church draws us closer to the mystery at the heart of our faith. In this Sunday's Gospel we hear the powerful story of the raising of Lazarus. Faced with the grief of Martha and Mary and the sorrow of the mourners, Jesus reveals both his deep compassion and his divine power. Standing before the tomb, he proclaims the words that give hope to every Christian: *"I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me will never die."*

The raising of Lazarus is the final and greatest of the signs in St John's Gospel before the events of Holy Week. It points beyond itself to the victory of Christ over death through his own Passion, Death and Resurrection. Just as Lazarus was called from the tomb, so too Christ calls each of us out of whatever binds us—sin, fear, discouragement—and invites us into new life. As Passion Sunday approaches, the liturgy becomes more intense and reflective. The cross stands more prominently before us, reminding us that the glory of Easter comes through the sacrifice of Good Friday. During this final part of Lent we are encouraged to deepen our prayer, renew our repentance, and place our trust in the Lord who alone can bring life out of death. May this week be a time for us to listen again to the voice of Christ calling us to faith, hope and renewal as we continue our journey toward Easter. As we move closer to Holy Week, the following services will take place across our churches: **Maundy Thursday** 7:00pm – New Mills and Chapel

**Good Friday** 3:00pm – Buxton and Marple Bridge **Easter Vigil (Holy Saturday)** 7:00pm – Buxton and Marple Bridge **Easter Sunday** Chapel 9am, New Mills 9.30am, Buxton 11am & Marple Bridge 11.30am.

Please continue to pray for the success of the Diocesan five year plan 'Go make Disciples.....' I invite all Christians everywhere at this very moment to a renewed personal encounter with Jesus Christ, or at least an openness to letting him encounter them; I ask all of you to do this unfailingly each day. No one should think that this invitation is not meant for him or her....Whenever we take a step towards Jesus we come to realise that he is already there, waiting for us with open arms. (The Joy of the Gospel. 3. Pope Francis).

**BIG THANKYOU** to all the children, parents and staff of Marple Bridge School who have made beautiful Easter gardens for the church.

**EASTER SERVICES- HELP NEEDED FOR MARPLE BRIDGE & NEW MILLS** A large number of extra readers and volunteers are needed, for our Easter Services across both of our churches. A sheet is at the back of both churches for volunteers to sign. Please offer your help and sign up as soon as you can.

**READERS AND WELCOMERS ROTA SATURDAY EVENING MASS – MARPLE BRIDGE** The new rota will start after Easter when the mass time will revert to 6.30pm. If you would like to join the rota or make any changes please let Pauline Howell know by email at [pauline@thehowells.org.uk](mailto:pauline@thehowells.org.uk) or phone 07932 723359. Thank you.

**CHURCH MEETING -NEW MILLS** We will be having a short meeting after the 0930 a.m. mass at New Mills on Sunday 22nd March in the Parish hall. Everyone is invited to come and join in, where we can discuss everyone's hopes and desires, at same time as ideas on the Diocesan 5 year plan, and our own commitment to it. Refreshments as always will be available for everyone.

**SCHOOLS PILGRIM WALK** Some pupils from our two parish primary schools will be meeting at St Marys church New Mills, At 9.30am on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March, and then walking across to St Marys Marple Bridge. Any parishioner is welcome to join us on this pleasant 4 mile/2 hour walk along back lanes and tracks. Either all or half of the way there. More info from Joe Hennigan at New Mills.

**GO MAKE DISCIPLES** There is an online meeting with Bishop Patrick on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm. To register please contact Paul Bodenham (Diocese) on 07470907656.

**DAY OF EUCHARISTIC REFLECTION:** This will be taking place at New Mills on Saturday 28th March, starting with tea and coffee at 9.30am and finishing at 2.00pm. The theme of this day is Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament; we will be exploring and reflecting on some of the saints' thoughts on Adoration, as well as the practicalities of organising a service. There will also be an hour of Eucharistic Adoration at 11.00am. Whilst this day fulfils the requirements for Eucharistic Ministers to complete a day of renewal, all interested parishioners are welcome to attend and learn more about this beautiful sacrament. Please bring a packed lunch.