

## MASSES AND SERVICES

<b>Vigil</b>	<b>3rd Sunday of Advent</b>	<b>Thu</b>		<b>21 Dec</b>
7.00	Elizabeth Prescott	9.10	Intentions of Joyce Cronin	
<b>Sun</b>	<b>3rd Sunday of Advent</b>	<b>17 Dec</b>	11.00 <i>SCH</i> Priest's Intention	
9.30	The Parish	<b>Fri</b>		<b>22 Dec</b>
11.00	Dec'd of Brownedge Club	9.10	Austin, Elizabeth, Julie & Edmond Billington	
6.30	Hopwood Family	<b>Sat</b>		<b>23 Dec</b>
		9.30	Lucy & Herbert Simmons & Family Ken Lofthouse & Family	
<b>Mon</b>		<b>18 Dec</b>		
9.10	Mildred Forde			
<b>Tue</b>		<b>19 Dec</b>	<b>Vigil</b>	<b>4th Sunday of Advent</b>
9.10	Francis & Lillian Derbyshire	7.00	Michael Cox	
<b>Wed</b>	<b>St Lucy</b>	<b>20 Dec</b>	<b>Sun</b>	<b>4th Sunday of Advent</b>
9.10	Intentions of Kate & Alan Almond & Family	9.30	The Parish	<b>24 Dec</b>
		11.00	Jack & Margaret Biggins	

**Reconciliation/Confession** Sat 10.00—10.30 & 6.15—6.45 (*or by arrangement*)

**Exposition** Sat 10.00—10.30

### Live Video Streaming from St Mary's Brownedge

We are delighted to bring a new service to our parishioners. We have installed a video camera at the back of the church to allow us to share our ceremonies with those confined to their homes and to those who now live away from our parish. The camera is located at the back of the church facing the Sanctuary. It does not move to face the people in the congregation so it will be very unobtrusive.

Each day we will stream our Mass and all other ceremonies to people using Smart TV's, computers, laptops, mobile phones and mobile devices all over the world where there is broadband available.

Nursing homes and private homes connected to the Internet will be able to join us live here for our ceremonies. This will also be a great help for families and friends of our parishioners who cannot travel here for funerals, weddings and baptisms.

Weekend Masses will be recorded and available to view at any time to help those who may have missed Mass, or are working shifts, to tune in at their convenience.

A facility is available to record any of these ceremonies if you request it from our parish office in advance. These recordings will be available to view on-line or download on your own computer after the event.

You will be able to watch on our parish website from 16 December: [www.stmarysbrownedge.org.uk](http://www.stmarysbrownedge.org.uk). It is already available on [www.churchservices.tv](http://www.churchservices.tv) where you will find "Bamber Bridge" is listed along with several other towns where this service is available.

Please tell your loved ones living away from the parish about our new service and encourage them to join us live often to enlarge our prayerful congregation.

## ***ST MARY'S BROWNEDGE***

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### ***PLEASE PRAY FOR***

Mary Taylor (Withy Grove Rest Home), **lately dead**

the sick, and the housebound of the parish, especially Muriel Henderson, Audrey Gould

For those whose **anniversaries** occur at this time, especially Christine Harkness, George Egan, Dennis Bibby, Peter Fleming, June Brown, John Hall, George Horrocks, Bob Turner, Colin Champion

Lena Smith, William Schofield, Mary Grace Bacigalupo, Joseph Rogers

**Sunday 17 December 2017**

**3rd Sunday of Advent**

### ***Cycle of Prayer:***

#### ***Advent & Christmastide***

We are asked to pray for: Openness to the Word of God, Migrants and Refugees, Expectant Mothers

#### ***Holy Father's Intention during December: The Elderly***

That the elderly, sustained by families and Christian communities, may apply their wisdom and experience to spreading the faith and forming the new generations.

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**New Parishioners:** would newcomers to the parish please fill in one of the pink forms at the church entrances, and give it to the priest, or put it in the Priory letterbox. Thank You.

*If you cannot contact a priest through the usual parish numbers please phone the Monastery, 902211*

***IN AN EMERGENCY*** when there is no answer please try

*Our Lady & St Patrick 253709 or  
St Mary's Leyland 455955*

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### **TODAY**

#### **3rd Sunday of Advent**

**SVP Collection** this weekend after all Masses,

Sincere thanks for last month's generous collection of £190.49

**Welcome** to all our new parishioners who are here this weekend and to visitors to the area.

#### **Bambinelli Sunday**

This weekend you have been invited to bring a crib figure of the baby Jesus to be blessed. The figurine is then taken home, wrapped as a gift and saved until Christmas morning, when together the family place the baby Jesus in the crib, and have a home blessing of the Nativity for the whole family.

The Italians have tradition of bringing their "Bambinelli", the crib figures of the Baby Jesus, to be blessed by the Pope in St Peter's Square on the Third Sunday of Advent, "Gaudete Sunday".

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### **THIS WEEK**

**Mon 18 Dec:** 7pm St Mary's High School Carol Service.

**Tue 19 Dec:** 6pm Walton-le-Dale Primary School Christmas Concert with.

**Wed 20 Dec:** 1.00 pm Mothers Prayers Group meet in the Priory

**Wed 20 Dec:** 7 pm Parish Reconciliation Service

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#### **200 Club ... last weekend winners:**

£50 No 306 Adele Morris

£10 No 393 Christine Dolphin

The Christmas Draw will take place this weekend.

The next Rolling Jackpot begins the weekend of 30/31 December at £100.

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#### **Offerings**

Offerings £1,156.11

Attendance: 367

Total offerings this year: £63,478.40

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#### **4th Sunday of Advent 24 Dec**

Offertory Processions:

*Vigil 7 pm: Madalene & Mike Hankey*

*9.30 am: Lancaster Family*

*9.30am Welcoming: Yeomans Family*

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**Daily Advent Reflections** by Bishop Robert Barron. Visit the site each day or enter your email to receive the daily reflection to your inbox.

**Parish Retreat:** the Parish retreat to Ampleforth will take place on 16/17/18 February. It will be led by Fr Christopher. The cost is £128 or £138 for an ensuite room. If interested please contact dorothy@stbenets.plus.com or 337238. The **closing date is 14 January**

**Christmas Flowers:** If you wish to bring poinsettias for the altar, please bring them to the Sacristy Meeting Room Friday, 22 Dec or the morning of Saturday, 23 Dec.

The **Piety Shop** has the following in stock: Cards, Diaries, Books, Wood Decorations, Small Figures, Advent Cal-

endars and Candles. All goods will be on sale after all weekend Masses.

**CAFOD - Correction:** the amount raised from the sale of hyacinth pots was **£208** not £20 as stated last week.

**Giving Tree:** A very big Thank You to all who bought Gifts for the Giving Tree. Over 500 gifts have been distributed to the following organisations who are so grateful for our continued support. It means so much to the recipients of these gifts that someone does care:

*Caritas : Women's Refuge : Bay 6 : SLEAP : Wade Hall Children's Centre : Fox Street : Foxton Centre : Food Bank : Salvation Army*

**Date for Your Diary :** The Annual Parish Dinner will again be held in St Gerard's club on **Sunday, 28 January 2018**, 12.30 for 1pm. Cost, menu details and booking forms will be available after Christmas

**Ahead :** Date for your diary: HCPT GROUP 56 Annual Quiz will take place on Friday, 9 February 2018. Tickets will be on sale after Christmas.

#### **Christmas Mass Times:**

**Christmas Eve:** First Mass of Christmas 7.00 pm

**Christmas Eve:** Carols from 11.30pm followed by Midnight Mass

**Christmas Day:** Mass: 10.00 am

Please take a coloured sheet from the church exits. If you know of someone who would like one please take one for them.