

## MASSES AND SERVICES

<b>Vigil</b>	<b>2nd Sunday of Lent</b>		<b>Thu</b>	<b>ST DAVID</b>	<b>1 Mar</b>
7.00	Ken Mercer		9.10	Intentions of the Cherry Family	
<b>Sun</b>	<b>2nd Sunday of Lent</b>	<b>25 Feb</b>	11.00	<i>SCH</i> Priest's Intention	
9.30	The Parish		<b>Fri</b>		<b>2 Mar</b>
11.00	Frank & Sue Smith		7.00	Sick and Housebound	
6.30	Stephen McLearn		9.10	Archie, Eleanor & Rachel	
<b>Mon</b>		<b>26 Feb</b>	16.30	Stations of the Cross	
<b>10.30</b>	<i>Funeral Mass: Joan Cooper</i>		<b>Sat</b>		<b>3 Mar</b>
<b>Tue</b>		<b>27 Feb</b>	9.30	Intentions of Mother's Prayer Group	
9.10	Rose Darraagh <i>LD</i>				
<b>Wed</b>		<b>28 Feb</b>	<b>Vigil</b>	<b>3rd Sunday of Lent</b>	
9.10	<b><i>SMSB Class Mass</i></b>		7.00	Successful Operation <i>JS</i>	
	Joe & Lizzy Dowbakin		<b>Sun</b>	<b>3rd Sunday of Lent</b>	<b>4 Mar</b>
			9.30	The Parish	
			11.00	Michael Jones	

<b>Reconciliation/Confession</b> Sat 10.00—10.30 & 6.15—6.45 <i>(or by arrangement)</i> <b>Exposition</b> Sat 10.00—10.30
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**This Week's Prayers for Salford Diocese:**

The parishes of Sacred Heart and St. Anne, Blackburn, with Father James McCartney, and the parishes of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour and Holy Family, Blackburn, with Father Gerard Barry and Father Frank Mulgrew and for the Marist Fathers.



HOPE

IN THE FUTURE

We pray for their parish primary schools, Our Lady and St. John's High School and the chaplaincy to the Royal Blackburn Hospital and Blackburn Hospice.

Stay with us, Lord, On our journey

## ST MARY'S BROWNEDGE

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*Salford Diocesan Trustees registered charity*

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**PLEASE PRAY FOR**

Joan Cooper, **lately dead**

**the sick, and the housebound of the parish, especially Ricki Pinto,**

Muriel Henderson, Audrey Gould

For those whose **anniversaries** occur at this time, especially, Marie Murray, Kathleen Southworth, Frank Smith, Robert Greenwood, Francis Taylor, Teresa Longton, Ellen Bristow, Edward Darwen

## TODAY

### 2nd Sunday in Lent

**Welcome** everyone to our Sunday Mass, especially any people who are visiting or who have not been for a while. We hear in today's gospel about Our Lord's amazing Transfiguration; "It's wonderful to be here!"

**CAFOD** Lenten Mystery Raffle begins this weekend and will be drawn each Friday at the Soup Lunch or Coffee Morning.

During the 9.30am Mass today, our children taking part in the **Sacramental Programme** will be celebrating "**We are People who Follow Jesus**". This celebration seeks to bring many things together: Lent, the Cross, the Preparation of the Gifts at Mass, and the mystery of loving and giving

**WELCOME** to Henry Christopher Gore and Jacob Williams-Hall who will be **baptised** into the Body of Christ today.

### THIS WEEK

**Tue 27 Feb: House Stations of the Cross**  
10.30am Chestnut Grove Rest Home

2.00pm Ruth Brennan, 274 Brownedge Road, Bamber Bridge

**Wed 28 Feb: 8am Ecumenical Prayer gathering** at the Methodist Church, Bamber Bridge, followed by refreshments.

**1.00pm: Stations of the Cross** in church, led by Mothers Prayers Group. **Mothers Prayers Group** will meet at 2pm in the Priory.

#### House Stations of the Cross:

10 am Barbara Davies, 5 St Mary's Close

2 pm Janice Spencer, 11 Tennyson Place

2.30 pm Shirley & Michael Fender, 2 Tudor Croft, Lostock Hall

#### Thu 1 Mar: House Stations of the Cross

6.30pm Linda & Philip Swarbrick, 14 Highfield Avenue, Lostock Hall

7pm Haythornthwaite Family, 13 Brown Lane, Bamber Bridge

**Fri 2 Mar: CAFOD Coffee Morning;** Rosary for Justice and Peace in the Lady Chapel after morning Mass. All welcome. Mystery Raffle will be drawn.

**2pm Women's World Day of Prayer** will take place here in St Mary's Brownedge. All welcome

**4.30 pm Stations of the Cross** in Church

**Sat 3 Mar:** 3pm First Saturday Devotion to Mary Immaculate in the Lady Chapel. All welcome.

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**Cycle of Prayer: During Lent.** We are asked to pray for: Candidates for the Sacraments; the Needy and Hungry of the World; Penitents and Wanderers.

**Holy Father's Intention for February: Say "No" to Corruption.** That those who have material, political or spiritual power may resist any lure of corruption.

**New Parishioners:** We hope you will soon feel at home in this community. Please give us your details on one of the pink forms at the church entrances, and hand it the priest after Mass. Let us know if you would like your home to be blessed.

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

£50 68 Joan Hargreaves

£10 No 380 John Moon

Rolling Jackpot £100 not won; this week the jackpot will be for £125

This weekend we have the usual prize draws plus the Monthly Draw for £150

#### Offerings

Offerings £1,245.55

Attendance: 436

Total offerings this year: £7,917.73

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#### Next Sunday (3rd in Lent)

4 Mar

Offertory Processions:

*Vigil 7 pm: Madalene & Mike Hankey*

*9.30 am: Ryles Family*

*9.30am Welcoming: Taylor Family*

#### Lenten Charities

We will support three charities during Lent with our soup lunches and mystery raffle.

Women's Refuge; Medaille Trust and Genesis Care(NW).

#### Brownedge Festival: Flowers

If you would like to contribute to the 'In Memoriam' flowers, the cost is £28 for a florist arrangement, or contribute to the flowers arranged by the ladies from various churches. Forms to choose and order are available at the church entrances, and should be returned to the Parish Office or put in the collection bags with a cheque made payable to Brownedge Festival.

**Planned Giving Envelopes:** New boxes of planned giving envelopes (gift aid and non-gift aid) are now ready for collection in the Narthex. If your box is missing or any details are not correct, or if you would like to start using envelopes, please contact John Kirkwood, tel 01772 312793

#### Parish Website:

Have you visited our new parish website yet? It is the same address as the old one: **[www.stmarysbrownedge.org.uk](http://www.stmarysbrownedge.org.uk)**

Among the things you will find on the website are the following: The latest parish newsletter; the weekly bidding prayers from our Sunday Masses; View our live camera feed for

all Masses; Video link to all the Pope's live appearances; Photos, prayers, links to the schools etc... We are trying to make improvements and updates all the time so please keep visiting the site and tell your friends about it.

**Also please follow & like our Facebook page: [@stmarysbrownedge](https://www.facebook.com/stmarysbrownedge).**

#### Salford Diocese Pilgrimage to Lourdes:

27th July—2nd August. The annual pilgrimage led by Bishop Arnold with approx. 700 people from all over the diocese. If you are interested in joining our parish group as part of the larger pilgrimage please contact the parish office or [michelejones531@gmail.com](mailto:michelejones531@gmail.com)

See [www.salfordlourdes.co.uk](http://www.salfordlourdes.co.uk) for more info.

#### Lent Devotions

Why not try to attend an extra Mass as a Lenten devotion. There will be a Mass each Friday during Lent at 7.00am to help those who might not be able to make other times due to work commitments. Also Stations of the Cross each Friday at 4.30pm in Church.

**Bamber Bridges Churches Foodbank** urgently needs volunteers 1, 2 or 3 hours per week. Please contact Margaret: 01772 311547

**Adoremus: National Eucharistic Congress** in Liverpool 7-9 Sept. The catholic church in England and Wales are holding an important Congress about the Eucharist and people from all over the country will attend. Each parish in our deanery hopes to send four delegates to the sessions on Friday 7th and Saturday 8th Sept. If you would like go to the congress please find further details on our website under "latest news" and speak with Fr Mark.

#### World Meeting of Families; Dublin 21 -26

**August 2018.** It is expected that Pope Francis will attend. The diocese is organising a group to attend this. If you would like to go please see the website. One family will be sponsored by the deanery. If you would like to be considered for this please see Fr Mark.