

## MASSES AND SERVICES

<b>Vigil</b> 7.00	<b>4th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Margaret Riley	<b>Thu</b> 9.10	Sister Joseph McLaughlin <i>SCH</i> Priest's Intention	<b>7 Feb</b>
<b>Sun</b> 9.30 11.00 6.30	<b>4th in Ordinary Time</b> Kurian Thomas <i>LD</i> The Parish Michael Clarke	<b>3 Feb</b> <b>Fri</b> 9.10	<b>Fri</b> 9.10 Agnes & Jim Livesey	<b>8 Feb</b>
<b>Mon</b> 9.10	<b>4 Feb</b> John Taylor	<b>Sat</b> 9.30	<b>Sat</b> 9.30 Mary Lloyd	<b>9 Feb</b>
<b>Tue</b> 9.10	<b>St Agatha</b> Whiteley and Swarbrick Families	<b>Vigil</b> 7.00	<b>5th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Mary, Jim & Elizabeth Baldwin	
<b>Wed</b> 9.10	<b>St Paul Miki &amp; Companions</b> Service of the Word with Holy Com munion. (No Mass today).	<b>6 Feb</b> <b>Sun</b> 9.30 11.00 6.30	<b>5th in Ordinary Time</b> 9.30 Annie Jenkins Jim Hankinson The Parish	<b>10 Feb</b>

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

### Our Lady & St Gerard's, Lostock Hall. Mass Times:

Monday at 6:30 pm; Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 9:15 am; Friday - No Mass

Saturday 6pm; Sunday 8.30am & 10am

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### This Week's Prayers for Salford Diocese:

Let us pray for the parish of St Anne and St Joseph, Accrington with Fr Stamp, and for the parish of St James, Rawtenstall, with Canon McBride, for their primary schools and for All Saints College



**HOPE**  
IN THE FUTURE

*Stay with us, Lord, On Our journey*

## ST MARY'S BROWNEDGE

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**PLEASE PRAY FOR**

Mavis Entwistle lately dead

**The sick, and the housebound of the parish and those who care for them, especially**

Joyce Crook, Brenda & Denis Towers, Ryan Womack, Terry Heaney,

For those whose **anniversaries** occur at this time, especially Brian Eccles, Vera Maercker, Malcolm Grafton

Peter Chester, Joseph Gluchowski, Joan Darwen, Kathleen Pickering, Marie Woodcock

Sunday 3 February 2019

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**TODAY**  
**4TH IN ORDINARY TIME**

**Welcome** everyone to our Mass, especially any people who are visiting or who have not been for a while. In today's 2nd Reading St Paul gives one of the most well known and wonderful expositions about the true nature of love; make this reading a special prayer today that we may experience the love of God in our hearts as we gather for Mass.

**Blessing of Throats;** 3 Feb is usually the memorial of St Blaise. Although the Sunday Mass takes the place of the memorial Mass, we will offer the traditional blessing of St Blaise for throats and illness this Sunday to those who wish to receive it. The blessing is given with two of the newly blessed candles from Candlemas Day accompanied by the prayer: "Through the intercession of St Blaise, Bishop and Martyr, may God deliver you from every disease of the throat and from every other illness".

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**Cycle of Prayer: Ordinary Time:** We are asked to pray for Peace on Earth; Christian Unity; Victims of Human Trafficking and Those Who Work to Combat it; the Sick and Those who Care for Them; the Unemployed

**Holy Father's Intention for February.** For a generous welcome to the victims of human trafficking, of enforced prostitution, and of violence.

**Special Intention:** Please pray in for our High School, Brownedge St Mary's. The Headteacher, Mr Reynolds, will retire in the summer and interviews for a new head take place this week. Our Lady, Seat of Wisdom, Pray for us.

**THIS WEEK**

**Tue 5 Feb:** 7pm Baptism Preparation meeting in the Narthex

**Wed 6 Feb:** 1pm Mothers Prayers Group meet in the Priory.

**Thur 7 Feb 7pm: Catholicism with Bishop Robert Barron:** the latest in our video presentation about the Faith. This week we will focus on the Communion of Saints and how that great company of witnesses are important to us as Catholic. He looks especially at the lives of St Teresa of Calcutta and St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (Edith Stein). All welcome to any of these sessions.

**Sat 9 Feb:** 10am—4pm **Day of Renewal:** There is a day of renewal entitled "The Power of the Holy Spirit" at St Clare's Church Parish Hall, Sharoe Green Lane, Preston, all are welcome to attend.

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**200 Club— Draw**

1st Prize £200 No 131 Tony Kelly  
2nd Prize £60 No 19 James Knell  
3rd Prize £40 No 289 Doreen Singleton

For further information please contact Sandra or Kathryn, Tel 01772 312558. For further information about the 200 Club.

**Offerings**

Offerings £1,084.61

Attendance: 352

Total offerings this year: £4,610.93

**5th Sunday in Ordinary Time 10 Feb**

Second Collection at all Masses for *Caritas*

Baptism Enrolment Ceremony will take place during the 9.30am Mass

Offertory Processions:

*Vigil 7 pm: Stella & Bernard Barton*  
*9.30 am: Quilat Family*  
*9.30am Welcoming: Bailey Family*

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**New Parishioners:** We hope you will soon feel at home in this community. Please introduce yourself and give us your details on one of the pink forms at the church entrances. Hand this to one of the priests or another parishioner after Mass. Let us know if you would like your home to be blessed.

**New Phone Number:** St Benedict's Monastery, residence of our parish clergy, has a new phone number: **01772 321201.**

**CARITAS : Love of our fellow people.**

Please note that the second collection for Caritas will take place on 9/10 February. Let me tell you about 35 years old Patrick from Bury: Patrick has been homeless since being thrown out by his family as a teenager. While on the streets he became addicted to Spice, a drug which helps vulnerable people block out frightening experiences on the streets. BUT ...today, Patrick is getting support from Caritas. His mental health and addiction is being treated and he is he has been moved into rented accommodation. **THERE IS HOPE FOR THE FUTURE**

**CAFOD :** We hope to have our mystery raffle again during Lent and would be grateful for any unwanted presents. Please leave them in the Christmas Box under the table near the Piety Shop. Thank You.

**CAFOD:** Many thanks to all who support our parish Cafod group. We are promoting a new initiative to make use of unrecyclable plastic: **The ECO brick;** fill up a plastic 4 pint milk bottle with all the bits of smaller plastic which we usually throw away as non recyclable and pack them in to make the bottle as full and as solid as possible. Bring them to church and put them in the box under the table in the Narthex. 100 have already been taken to Bishop's House, Wardley Hall to be used in an ECO garden project. They get bound together to make bigger blocks to build garden walls etc..

**FESTIVAL FLOWERS:** Individual or joint sponsorship is invited for *In Memoriam* flower displays for Festival 2019. Individual displays from the florist cost £28. Church displays arranged by various ladies from various churches cost £28 or more is you wish to contribute. Please pick up a leaflet from the church entrances.

**Parish Website:**

[www.stmarysbrownedge.org.uk](http://www.stmarysbrownedge.org.uk) The website is now back in functioning order. Pay a visit to find information, watch live services, pray the weekly bidding prayers and find the link to our Facebook page. If you would like to publish any articles or photographs for the website please send them to the parish office.

**Blessing for Engaged Couples**

The Bishop of Salford is holding a service of blessing for engaged couples at Salford cathedral on Saturday 9 February at 3pm. Please encourage you know who is preparing for marriage to attend this.

**Marriage Care Prep Dates 2019 -** One day courses Each date is a separate course running from 9am – 4:30 pm at either - Manchester City Centre: St Augustine's 26 Jan; 23 Feb; 23 Mar; 13 Apr; 11 May; 1 June; 13 July; 21 Sept; Blackburn: Holy Souls 30 Mar and 18 May. Couples can now book directly onto their course of choice at [www.marriagecare.org.uk](http://www.marriagecare.org.uk). By entering their home postcode, the search returns all courses, with availability, sorted by the nearest first.

**Lent Prayer Course at St Gerard's**

Weds 13th, 20th and 27th of Feb, 7pm – 8pm come and watch 'The Big Silence', first shown on the BBC in 2012, where secular people enter the life of Worth Abbey with Abbot Christopher Jamison. Then on the six Wednesdays of Lent Fr Joe will explore how we can apply the Wisdom of St Benedict in developing Spiritual space and peace in our busy lives.