

MASSES AND SERVICES

Vigil 7.00	5th Sunday of Lent Jimmy Harrison, Bill Whittle & deceased Families		Thu 9.10 11.00 12.00	St Stanislaus In Thanksgiving <i>SCH</i> : Priest's Intention <i>Funeral Mass</i> : Charles Boylan	11 Apr
Sun 9.30 11.00 6.30	5th Sunday of Lent The Parish Deceased of Watson Family Agnes Crook	7 Apr	Fri 7.00 9.10	Annie Jenkins John & Ellen Holt and James Robert Holme	12 Apr
Mon 9.10	Ellen Loftus	8 Apr	4.30	Stations of the Cross	
Tue 9.10	Deacon Louis Livesey <i>LD</i>	9 Apr	Sat 9.30	St Martin I Dec'd of Wilson & Cherry Families	13 Apr
Wed 9.10	Fr Gerard Dunne	10 Apr	Vigil 7.00	PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD Bill Harrison & Margaret Dixon	
			Sun 9.30 11.00 6.30	PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD Richard & Mary Lloyd Deceased Members of Bamber Bridge Catholic Club The Parish	14 Apr

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 people of the Holy Trinity, Worsley, for Mgr Canon John Dale, for the Franciscan Missionaries of St Joseph and for the parish primary schools. We pray that St Ann's Hospice may be a beacon of God's healing love.



HOPE
IN THE FUTURE

Stay with us, Lord, on our journey!

ST MARY'S BROWNEDGE

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Lent Reconciliation Service: Thursday 11 April at 7pm

St Mary's and St Gerard's will hold a joint Service of Reconciliation at St Mary's Brownedge. Please come along to receive this wonderful sacrament in preparation for Easter.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Deacon Louis Livesey, Charles Boylan, Lucille Crook, Bernard McCarthy, lately dead

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

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

For those whose **anniversaries** occur at this time, especially Margaret Bromiley, Joseph Lawson

Daniel McGahan, Bernadette Gallagher, Ann Massam, Stella Dennison

Sunday 7 April 2019

5th Sunday of Lent

TODAY: 5TH SUNDAY OF LENT

Welcome everyone to our Mass, especially any people who are visiting or who have not been for a while. Today we hear how the people are ready to stone to death a woman as prescribed by the law; Jesus comes to us to show the full meaning of the law can only be found in mercy and compassion; how can I be less judgmental and more aware of my need of his forgiveness?

During the 9.30am Mass we have the Enrolment Ceremony for those children who are to be baptised in the near future

WELCOME to Alex Czubat-Pachnicki who will be **baptised** into the Body of Christ today.

Cycle of Prayer: Lent: We are asked to pray for : Candidates for the Sacraments; Women; the Needy and Hungry of the World; Penitents and Wanderers; Survivors of Sexual Abuse

Holy Father's Intention: For doctors and their humanitarian collaborators in war zones, who risk their lives to save the lives of others.

THIS WEEK

Tue 9 Apr: House Stations of the Cross: 2.00pm Florence & Alan Hunt, 99 Brampton Drive, Bamber Bridge

Wed 10 Apr: 1pm Mothers Prayers in the Priory

House Stations of the Cross: 10 am Brian & Marie Spicer, 303 Brownedge Road, Bamber Bridge

2 pm David & Pat Livesey, 53 Duddle Lane, Walton-le-Dale

2.30 pm Jo Krause, 14 Bridgeway, Lostock Hall

Wed 10 Apr: 7pm Lent Prayer Course at St Gerard's : Finding spiritual space and peace in our busy lives using the book "Finding Sanctuary" by Abbot Christopher Jamison.

Thurs 11 Apr: House Stations of the Cross 6.30pm Helen & Mike Sugden, 3 Southlands Avenue, Lostock Hall

7pm Whalley Family, 1 Woodlands Avenue, Bamber Bridge

Thur 11 Apr: 7pm Lent Reconciliation Service: St Mary's and St Gerard's will hold a joint Service of Reconciliation at St Mary's Brownedge. Please come along to receive this wonderful sacrament in preparation for Easter.

Fri 12 Apr : 12 noon– 1pm CAFOD Soup Lunch in the Narthex; Fr Jim McCartney will come to speak about the work of THOMAS, one of our Lent Charities.

Sat 13 Apr: Preston Orpheus Choir are organising a 'Come and Sing' JH Maunder's 'Olivet to Calvary' at St Leonard's Church, Marshalls Brow, Penwortham, PR1 9JA. See notice boards for further information

Offerings

Offerings £1,306.15

Attendance: 498

Total offerings this year: £14,217.93

Sincere thanks for your continued generosity

DEC Collection: Many thanks for last weekend's collection for the Cyclone Disaster in Southern Africa—a magnificent total of £1,030 was raised.

200 Club— Congratulations to the winners of last weekends draw:

1st Prize £200 No 48 Ralph Lawson

2nd Prize £60 No 32 Alan Eccleston

3rd Prize £40 No 41 Anthony Douglas

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

Next Sunday: 14 Apr

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

Offertory Processions

Vigil 7 pm: Hodgson Family

9.30 am: Aston Family

9.30am Welcoming: Barbara/Delia Families

SVP Collection after all Masses next weekend.

FESTIVAL FLOWERS: Last chance to sponsor *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 if you wish to contribute. Please pick up a leaflet from the church entrances. Closing date is **7 April 2019**

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.

Lent Devotions: There is an extra 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.

Website: www.stmarysbrownedge.org.uk

Pay a visit to our parish website 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.

Rediscovering Jesus: Metanoia are holding a Lenten study programme at St Wilfrid's in Preston on Thursdays of Lent at 11-12 in the morning or 7.30-9.30pm in the evening: 7 March—11 April.

St Mary & St John Southworth, Samlesbury: On Sunday 7 July, there will be a special **Bicentenary Mass** at 10.30am with Bishop Arnold as the Principal Celebrant. If you would like to help celebrate this important occasion, please put your details on the sheets at the church entrances.

Five Retreat Days: Explore the Christian Contemplative Tradition through five monthly retreat days led by Donna Worthington and hosted by The Diocese of Salford, here at St Mary's Brownedge. Learn to communicate and nurture meditation practices as passed on through the teaching of the Benedictine monk,

Fr John Main OSB in the Christian Tradition. Topics include Desert fathers, Scripture, Labyrinth Prayer Walk. The dates are **25 Sept; 23 Oct; 20 Nov; 11 Dec; 22 Jan (10.30-3pm)**. Book on this course or register your interest with Donna on: drworthington@live.co.uk

CAFOD: In March from the buckets and coffee morning, we collected £288. We have now sent our first donation of £1,000 to 'Hands On—Magdalena Medico', a project to help build peace in Colombia and transform lives in this region by promoting a culture of peace and reconciliation with a focus on young people. There will be more details of this project on the CAFOD board. Thank you for your generosity and support.

Family Fast Day : Our parish raised a fantastic £834.33 for CAFOD's Family Fast Day. Your support will bring us closer to a world where no one is beyond reach of the love and care they need to flourish and together we can reach out to people like Mahinur from Bangladesh. Thank you for fasting in solidarity.

High School Lenten Charities: Many thanks to the students of our High School who raised over £1000 at their charity day on Thursday. This was shared between St Joseph's Penny (Caritas) and CAFOD and presented to them on Friday at the end of term Liturgy in Church. Well done!

Vacancies: Salford Diocese are seeking to fill 3 new positions: Human Resources Manager; Operations Manager; Lead Teacher/Innovator for Primary Religious Education. More details: www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/news/vacancies

Salford Diocese Mass of Sacred Chrism The Chrism Mass is celebrated on, or close to, Maundy Thursday. All the Holy Oils to be used in the sacraments during the coming year are blessed and the priests renew their commitment to the priesthood. The Chrism Mass for the Diocese of Salford will be on Wednesday, 17 April at 11am at our Cathedral. Each parish is asked to send four parishioners. Please let Fr Mark know if you would be willing and able to represent our parish.