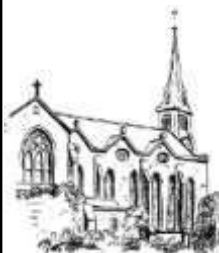


## ST MARY'S BROWNEDGE



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### 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

### (Year A)

### 5th February 2023

St Mary's, Brownedge			
Sat	4th Feb Vigil	7:00 pm	5th Sunday Ordinary Time Philomena & Derek Waring
Sun	5th Feb	9:30 am 11:00 am 6:30 pm	5th Sunday Ordinary Time The Parish Baptism of Ivy Rose Marie Davies Connie Dixon
Mon	6th Feb	9:30 am	St Paul Miki & Comp (M) Sonny Sweeney
Tues	7th Feb	9:30 am	Dorothy Conroy R.I.P.
Wed	8th Feb	10:30 am 2:30 pm	St Jerome Emiliani (OM) Requiem for Hellen Gillan Mass at SC Hospice Paul Mckenna Birthday Memories
Thurs	9th Feb	9.30 am	Sarah, Owen, Thady & Mary Goonan.
Friday	10th Feb	9:30 am	St Scholastica (M) Connie Dixon R.I.P.
Sat	11th Feb Vigil	7:00 pm	6th Sunday Ordinary Time Elizabeth Prescott
Sun	12th Feb	9:30 am 6:30 pm	6th Sunday Ordinary Time John Rawcliffe The Parish

St Gerard's, Lostock Hall			
Sat	4th Feb Vigil	5:30 pm	5th Sunday Ordinary Time Prayers Answered.
Sun	5th Feb	10:30 am 12 noon	5th Sunday Ordinary Time The Parish Baptism of Darcey Howarth- Richardson
Mon	6th Feb	6:00 pm 6:30 pm	Exposition Celebration of the Word & Holy Communion
Tues	7th Feb	9:15 am	Ronnie Jackson School Mass Year 6
Wed	8th Feb	9:15 am	Celebration of the Word & Holy Communion
Thurs	9th Feb	9:15 am 3 pm	Celebration of the Word & Holy Communion Funeral Beverley Keany Pleasington Crematorium
Friday	10th Feb	11:00 am	Requiem Mass for Mark Nowell
Sat	11th Feb Vigil	5:30 pm	6th Sunday Ordinary Time Winifred Lever R.I.P.
Sun	12th Feb	10:30 am	6th Sunday Ordinary Time The Parish

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Mary's**  
 Tuesday & Thursday 3 pm to 4 pm

**Confessions:** St Gerard's: Saturday: 5- 5.15 pm  
 St Mary's: Saturday: 6.15-6.45 pm (or by request)

**Holy Rosary:** Streamed at 8 pm each evening

**CYCLE OF PRAYER 4th / 5th Feb:** Let us pray for the people of the parish of St. Michael and St. Bernadette, Whitefield, and for Canon Steven Parkinson, their parish priest. We pray for the parish primary schools. May the light of their parish's mission and witness shine before all.

**Services at St. Mary's can be viewed live or on playback at any time on:**

[www.stmarysbrownedge.org.uk](http://www.stmarysbrownedge.org.uk) or  
[www.churchservices.tv](http://www.churchservices.tv)



You can usually plug a PC into your TV to watch it on the big screen. On a 'Smart TV' save the site in the TV web browser. Please help any relatives or friends to access the internet. It is a great source of spiritual support for those who cannot go to church.

#### Prayer for Spiritual Communion.

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen

# Our Lady & St Gerard's Notices

**Baptism:** Welcome to Darcey Howarth-Richardson who will be baptised into the Body of Christ this weekend.

**Offertory - Old coins** - In recent weeks we have received a couple of **old 50 pence coins**. These particular coins are of the original design which are bigger than those currently in circulation and **ceased to be legal tender in 1997**. The coins look new and have probably been in a piggy bank for many years. We appreciate the offering but unfortunately they jam our counting machine due to their size as they are larger and thicker. They are also the wrong weight when bagged. We can exchange them at a bank of course but until we have a quantity making a special journey is not economical. Some of these old coins are worth more to collectors than the face value so if you have any consider selling them to a collector or donate to the church in a larger bagged quantity please so that we can identify them and count them manually to avoid damaging our machine. **We did have another old 50p in last weekends offertory.**

**Majella Companions** - The next meeting is on **Tuesday 7th February at 2 pm** in The Shield's Centre.

**Children's Liturgy Group** - The display of photos from the 1990's will be removed in the next few weeks. Hopefully parishioners and visitors will have had a chance to look at them over the Christmas and New Year period.

**Children's Masses** - Thank you to the children who read and helped at the Christmas Vigil Mass. If you would like your child(ren) to be considered for roles within children's Masses in the future please email Daniel Ballard [dwdb27@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:dwdb27@yahoo.co.uk) stating what they would be happy for their child(ren) to do? i.e. small reading; longer reading; prayer; offertory etc It would be good to build up a group of children that we can call upon for these occasions and help them gain confidence it doing this. All children and young people are invited to take part in this.

**Parish Register** - There have been a few additional submissions over Christmas to update our Parish Registers.. Please complete a form if you have **moved home, had additions to the**



**family or not completed one previously.** The forms are available in the porch, on our website or via the QR code here.

**"The Letter" - a video on the environment by Pope Francis.** In continuing to look at how we can care for our created world, we are encouraged to watch a beautifully-produced film called 'The letter'. It's on Youtube, is free to watch and focuses on Pope Francis's encyclical 'Laudato Si'. It's well worth watching as it exposes the huge problems facing all of us, especially those in the developing world who are on the front line of the effects of climate change.

**LOST MOBILE** - A parishioner has lost her Samsung Mobile phone. Believed to be from somewhere outside the Parochial Centre after the Senior Citizens Party on 3rd December. If anyone has found it the owner is offering a reward for its safe return. Please contact the Parish office and we will put you in touch with her.

**Book of Remembrance** - We have a volunteer, thank you. Hopefully in the next few months we will start to see the book brought back up to date.

**Parish Lottery** - If you pay annually at the end of December please remember to renew your membership as soon as possible so as to remain in the draw. **There are still a few who haven't renewed. If you are unsure about your renewal date please contact the office.** If you would like to Join new members are always welcome and application forms can be found in the porch or on our website.



Jesus said 'You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill-top cannot be hidden. No one lights a lamp to put it under a tub; they put it on the lamp stand where it shines for everyone in the house. In the same way your light must shine in the sight on men, so that seeing your good works, they may give the praise to your Father in heaven'

Offertory 28th / 29th January 2023			
Offertory Loose	£261.55		
Offertory Envelopes	£164.82		
Attendance	169		
Bingo Jackpots for 08/02/2023			
£27	£58	£48	£25

Parish Lottery No. 549 01/02/23			
1st	£25	No. 26	Mrs M Hunt
2nd	£10	No. 51	Mrs F Cottam
3rd	£5	No. 49	Mrs C Hesmondhalgh
W/C 5/2/2023		This Weeks Intentions	
St Gerard		Ruth Naylor	

Photographs may be taken during Services for display on Social Media. if you have any objections please let the photographer know at the end of the service.

**Please Pray for the Sick and Housebound and for those who have asked for your Prayers.**

# St Mary's Brownedge Notices

**Baptism:** Welcome to Ivy Rose Marie Davies who will be baptised into the Body of Christ this weekend.

**Offertory Procession:** Next Sunday 12th February 9:30 am Mass: Robinson Family. Volunteers are needed for bringing up the offertory gifts at all the Masses.

**Parish Dinner** - The Annual Parish Lunch last Sunday was a great success. Thank you to all who attended and to David & Mary for making the arrangements for us.

**SVP** - Thank you for the very generous donations for the SVP January collection which amounted to £260:16.

**Cafod:** We hope to have a mystery raffle again during Lent at the coffee mornings, please leave any unwanted Christmas gifts in the box near the Piety Shop.

**Safeguarding:** If you chose to complete your DBS application online you should have received the link to the site to enable you to do this. If you haven't been sent the link please inform Sandra Livesey.

**Women's Refuge** – After a very quiet few months we have had requests for Shampoo, Conditioner and toiletries. A box will be placed at the back of Church for donations, Thank you.

**St Mary & St Benedict's Primary School** - THANK YOU! Since I wrote my letter appealing for your help with school, you have come forward with generosity of spirit. We now have six adults who are having their Disclosure & Barring Service checks undertaken and they will each be a great help to our young people. Your support for our school is really appreciated! Wishing you every blessing, Mr Daniel Ballard, Headteacher ☺

**Heart Defibrillator:** Our new heart defibrillator has been installed this week. It is outside the church attached to the side of the cabinet where the crib is displayed. Many thanks to all those who made donations towards this and especially to the Wrennalls Group from Leyland who contributed a large sponsorship to fund it. There is a step by step instruction on how to use it. The cabinet has code which Mass stewards will have. It is registered with the emergency services and anyone can access it at any time by dialling 999 and they will provide the access code.

**QR Code Easy donation:** as well the contactless giving machine in church, we now have a new and easy way to donate to the parish: open the camera on your phone and focus on the QR code; then click on the link which appears on your screen, and it will take to a direct giving page for the parish. Enter your card details and the amount you wish to donate. If you pay tax, you can gift aid it as well! You can use the QR posters which are near the



Church entrances, or you can use the code here on this newsletter and do in the comfort of your own home. Thank you for supporting your parish.

**World Youth Day 2023:** Lisbon 31 July—7 August 2023, and is open to young adults between the ages of 18 and 35. Last chance to sign up: **Speak to Fr Mark. The parish will help to fundraise for any young person who wishes to go.**



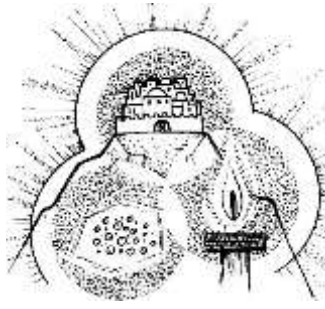
**Parish Register** - Submissions for the register have trickled to a stop in recent weeks. We are a large parish but the number of entries on the register do not represent it. Christmas is an ideal time to get our house in order and up to date so please if you haven't already completed the registration spare a little time over the holiday and complete it. The quickest method is on-line via the form mentioned below. We are asking every family to complete one of the forms (regardless of previous submissions) in the Porch and return it to the parish office. You can also complete the form on-line using the QR code or if you prefer by following this link: <https://forms.office.com/r/JJKiLyNCbG>. This is a big exercise and your support in completing the forms is appreciated. Please **do not** complete an on-line and a paper version as this causes unnecessary administration.

**SALT; EARTH; TASTELESS; NOTHING; TRAMPLED; CITY; LIGHT; UNDERFOOT; LAMP; TUB; SHINES; SIGHT; MEN; PRAISE.**

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Sanctuary Lamps Week 10	
1	Deceased Members of the Brownedge Choir
<b>Mass Attendance:</b> Remember that we as Catholics we should attend Sunday Mass. Do encourage your friends and neighbours to return to Mass. Our attendance last weekend is shown below.	
7 pm Vigil	91
9:30 am	172
6:30 p.m..	52
<b>Total</b>	<b>315</b>

## Joint Notices



### 5th Sunday in Ordinary

**Time:** While the world may seem to be very indifferent to Christianity most of the time, it can be very critical of Christians who do not seem to be following the most basic tenet of their faith to be a people of good

deeds, as Jesus teaches in today's portion of the Sermon on the Mount. While we may sometimes feel indignant about the world's criticism of our faults, we have to remember that we are in a vital relationship with the word we are to be its light. This means that we should welcome the world's gaze and scrutiny of our actions and beliefs and we should, in a sense, be accountable to the world for the way we live. We should never be salt that loses its taste. This openness to the gaze of all is not for our own glory, however: it is so that others may find what we have found their way to the Father.

**Caritas Sunday:** Our "Caritas Sunday" will take place next weekend 11/12th February. We will have a short reflection on the work done by Caritas for those in need in our Diocese and hold a **retiring collection to support their work.**

**OPEN TOWER** - Ever wondered what Bellringing is all about, what it involves, who are ringing them? Well, it's nothing like the 'Mars' tv advert!! Your feet never leave the ground! Brownedge, St. Mary's Bellringers are hosting an 'Open Tower' following the 09:30 Mass on **Sunday 5th February, 10:30 - 12 noon.** Bellringing is Fun, Challenging, Team Based. There are always opportunities to join in with social activities and travel around ringing at other towers, ringing for community events and national occasions as well as maintaining a British tradition and providing a service to the church. St. Mary's Bell Tower will be open to anyone who would like see what Bellringing entails, and to anyone who would be interested in learning and joining our team. 🛎️🛎️

**Winckley Square Convent School Reunion** - The annual reunion will take place on **Saturday February 18th 2023 from 1pm - 4pm.** at Our Lady and St Edward's Parish Centre, Marlborough Drive. Fulwood. PR2 9UE. All past pupils (and Staff) are welcome to attend and bring along memorabilia and photographs to share. If anyone is struggling to get there and needs a lift please contact Diane 07546173802 or let us know on the Facebook group page [Winckley Square Convent School](#)

The **Diocesan Retreat Days held at St Gerard's** are proving a great success and booking is still open via the Parish Office for the remaining retreats which are on the following dates:

**Friday 10th February (Places Still Available)**

Saturday 11th March;

Saturday 13th May; Wednesday 7th June;

Monday 3rd July.

**Parish Mission:** We have invited the Redemptorist Fathers to lead a Parish Mission from **11th -17th March** for both St Mary's and St Gerard's. It will be a week of renewal for our community with a series of Masses, liturgies, talks and reflection to help us all grow in our practice of the faith for our current times. More details will be available soon.

### Readings for Mass and the Divine Office:

[www.universalis.com](http://www.universalis.com) has all the prayers and readings of Mass each day. Click on the link on our parish website homepage and it takes you to all the liturgies for that day. Scan this QR code with the camera on a smartphone and it will take you directly to the Mass readings of the day.



### Walsingham Pilgrimage 2023 - Saturday 20th May 2023

- The Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham this May! The cost for a day pilgrim is expected to be between £35 and £45. The overnight option has been well received and is now nearly full. The cost of this is expected to be between £130 - £150 (includes evening meal, breakfast, and packed lunch.) Due to increased transport costs, we may look to reduce the number of coaches this year, so we would be grateful if you could please register your interest by emailing [walsingham.pilgrimage@dioceseofsalford.org.uk](mailto:walsingham.pilgrimage@dioceseofsalford.org.uk) or calling 0161 817 2214 Further information and booking forms will be made available soon.

### Mass for Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes - Sunday 19th February, 5.30pm,

Join us for our annual Salford Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage Mass, which will take place on Sunday 19th February, 5.30pm at Salford Cathedral. The Mass will officially open the 2023 pilgrimage. Bishop John will celebrate Mass and the wonderful Lourdes choir will provide music. All are welcome

### Diocesan Day of Reflection: Sharing the Hope: Blackburn and Burnley Deaneries: Saturday 18th February 2023, 10:00am - 3:00pm. Our Lady and St John RC High School, Blackburn, BB1 1PY

Please consider attending this day of reflection for our deanery concerning how we put our faith into action and how we can do it better in our modern world. It will address in particular issues of social justice and how faith demands a response to help those in need. All are welcome! Tea and coffee will be provided, but please bring a packed lunch. Please sign up if you haven't done so already!

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR

**The sick, and those who care for them:**

Sr Louise Shields, Pat & David Livesey

**All Those who have Recently Died:**

James Derek Nickson, David Robinson, Norah Robinson, Elizabeth Butterworth, Josephine Healey, Mary Hewitt, Brenda Brockbank, Mark Anthony Nowell, Helen Gillan, Hazel MacDonald, Lillian Elleray, Beverley Keany, Patrick Mackey