

ST MARY'S BROWNEDGE



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3rd Sunday of Easter

(Year A)

23rd April 2023

St Mary's, Brownedge			
Sat	22nd Apr Vigil	7:00 pm	3rd Sunday of Easter Elizabeth Prescott
Sun	23rd Apr	9:30 am 11 am 6:30 pm	3rd Sunday of Easter Bill Harrison & Margaret Dixon Baptism of Xavier Bamford Hilton The Parish
Mon	24th Apr	9:30 am	Sharon Noblett
Tues	25th Apr	9:30 am	Ricard & Mary Lloyd
Wed	26th Apr	9:30 am 2:30 pm	Connie Dixon Mass at SC Hospice
Thurs	27th Apr	9:30 am	Peter Haythornthwaite
Friday	28th Apr	9:30 am	Ann Sergeant (Anniversary)
Sat	29th Apr Vigil	7:00 pm	4th Sunday of Easter Harold & Ellen Dixon
Sun	30th Apr	9:30 am 11:00 am 6:30 pm	Vocations Sunday 4th Sunday of Easter The Parish Baptism of Sebastian James Wright Frank Ogden & Families

St Gerard's, Lostock Hall			
Sat	22nd Apr Vigil	5:30 pm	3rd Sunday of Easter Holy Souls
Sun	23rd Apr	10:30 am 12 noon	3rd Sunday of Easter The Parish Baptism of Laura Burisova-Grant
Mon	24th Apr	6:00 pm 6:30 pm	Exposition Celebration of the Word & Holy Communion
Tues	25th Apr	11:00 am	Funeral of Kathleen Mary Walne
Wed	26th Apr	9:15 am	Celebration of the Word & Holy Communion
Thurs	27th Apr	10:30 am	Requiem Mass for Eileen Hardacre
Friday	28th Apr		NO MASS
Sat	29th Apr Vigil	5:30 pm	4th Sunday of Easter Thanksgiving for Safe Journey—Grace Nisbet
Sun	30th Apr	10:30 am 12 noon	Vocations Sunday 4th Sunday of Easter The Parish Baptisms of Oliver Green Wood, Jimmy and Evie Allen

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

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Gerard's
 Monday 6 pm to 6:30 pm

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

CYCLE OF PRAYER FOR THE DIOCESE 22nd / 23rd April
 Let us pray for the people of St. Anne's parish, Higher Openshaw, and for Fr. Chris Lough, the parish priest and area dean, together with the parish primary school. May they always know the Lord in the Breaking of Bread.

Services at St. Mary's and at St Gerard's can be viewed live or on playback at any time on:
www.stmarysbrownedge.org.uk or
www.saintgerards.org.uk or
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 Baptism of Laura Burisova-Grant who will be baptised into the Body of Christ this weekend.

Baptism Course - If anyone would like to have their child or children Baptised please get in touch with the Parish Office.

Coronation Celebration Coffee Morning is planned for **Sunday 7th May after Mass** at 11:30am at the Shields Centre. Coffee, Sandwiches and cakes will be available. The event is free and Everyone is Welcome. We would like to know numbers for catering purposes so please can you indicate if you will be attending on the sheet at the back of Church. We would also ask for cake bakers and volunteers to help on the day please.

Bric-a-brac – Any unwanted gifts or items are gratefully received for the Bric-a-brac sales please.

CAFOD CHALLENGE - Margaret and Michael Cronin have participated in the big Lenten walk to raise funds for Cafod's work in the developing world. On April 21st they are joining CAFOD at St John's church, Waterloo, for a short prayer service after which they will walk to Parliament alongside other Christian groups to call on the government to stop backing more fossil fuel licences. Thank you so much to those who have already contributed over Lent to CAFOD but the donation page will remain open for another week or two. The link to the donation page is:

<https://cafod.enthouse.com/pf/michael-and-margaret-cronin/post/2860440>

Live Streaming Service: We have installed a new camera at the back of the church to allow us share our ceremonies with those confined to their homes and to those who now live away from our parish. In the short time that we have had the camera we have had 688 viewers of which 361 have viewed more than once for a total of 425 hrs. Apart from the 215 UK views, we have had visitors from the USA (80) Ireland (51) Spain (2), Italy (3) South Africa (4) Romania (1) Sweden (1) The Netherlands (1) and Mexico (1) The easiest way to access the recordings is via the ChurchService.tv app on Android or Apple Iphone or via <https://www.churchservices.tv/preston>

Gift Aid envelopes are ready for collection at the back of church. Please collect and sign for them.

Altar Candle & Mass Intentions - If you would like to have a Mass intention or Candle intention please leave a note at the Presbytery clearly stating the Mass Intention or Location for your Candle. For the Candles we are suggesting a minimum donation of £5 per candle.

Book of Remembrance - The Book has been taken away for amending and will be back soon.

Majella Companions - Next meeting is on Tuesday 2nd May at 2 pm in the Shields Centre.

Class Mass - The class Mass on Tuesday 25th April has been cancelled and will be re-arranged for a future date.

Something for the Children to Colour at Home



Parish Lottery No. 560 19/4/2023 Super Draw			
1st	£60	No. 32	Mr K Bowman
2nd	£40	No. 47	Mrs M Corcoran
3rd	£10	No. 74	Mrs H Lyth
3rd	£10	No. 72	Mr M Nisbet
3rd	£10	No. 51	Mrs F Cottam
W/C 23/4/2023		This Weeks Intentions	
St Gerard		Ruth Naylor	
St Joseph		Graham Walton R.I.P.	

Offertory 15th / 16th April 2023			
Offertory Loose	£287.49		
Offertory Envelopes	£145.96		
Attendance	147		
Bingo Jackpots for 26/04/2023			
£38	£69	£59	£35

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

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

SVP: Thank you to all those that donated for the April SVP collection. £177. 82 was raised.

Reception into Church - Many congratulations to Laura Parker and Jim Hewitt who were received into the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil. It is always a great joy to see people coming to the Faith and we wish every blessing on them and their families and friends as they make this step. If you, or anyone you know is interested in becoming a catholic, please contact Fr Mark or Fr Colin.

CAFOD'S BIG LENT WALK – Thank you very much to everybody who has donated towards my CAFOD Big Lent Walk. Between Ash Wednesday (22 February) and Easter Sunday (9 April) inclusive, I have walked a total of 355.1 km over 47 consecutive days and raised an amazing £480 to help fight global poverty! I am incredibly grateful to everybody who has donated and/or encouraged me in different ways, especially to those who have donated anonymously and who I have not been able to thank personally". Dave Gorman. Well done David and thanks from us on behalf of CAFOD for all your efforts.

Heart Defibrillator: 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 dialing 999 and they will provide the access code.

QR Code Easy donation: as well the contactless giving machine in church, you can also donate via this QR Code: 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. 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.



Parish Register - The Parish Register is more or less complete with a total of 426 names submitted. 268 via the on-line form and 158 via the paper form. If you haven't for some reason already submitted your details you can still do so. 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.

Contactless Machine: The diocese have engaged with a new contactless finance provider. The new machine will request details of gift aid again but only for the first time of using. The old machine is still working during the period of transition.

Legacies: St Mary's Brownedge is very grateful for the receipt of legacies in recent weeks from the estates of the late William May and the late Barbara Moon. Holy Mass will be offered for the repose of their souls. Remembering the parish in your will is a great way to help support the Faith for the future. Even a committing a small percentage of your will to the parish can make a big difference.

The **Requiem Mass for Roland Eccles** will be held on May 2nd 11:00 am

Tender Nursing Care, a local charity, was founded in Bamber Bridge over 40 years ago by a local GP. We are a small team of nurses and qualified healthcare assistants who support people at home overnight who need care. Many of our clients have a variety of complex physical needs and sometimes dementia. Often family members are supporting the person at home but finding the overnight care more challenging. We offer up to 3 nights a week care and support from 10pm - 7am. There is NO CHARGE for our service. We are fully regulated by Lancashire County Council and inspected by the Care Quality Commission. All our staff are cleared by the Disclosure and Barring Service and are fully trained in Safeguarding. We currently have some capacity to offer our service in your area. For further information or to have a discussion regarding our service, please telephone Theresa Swan, Registered Manager, on 07897 199 101 or by email: theresa.swan@tnc.org.uk

Sanctuary Lamps Week 17	
1	Ricard & Mary Lloyd

Mass Attendance: 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	74
9:30 am	132
6:30 p.m..	68
Total	274

Joint Notices



3rd Sunday of Easter -

During the Season of Easter we walk with the Risen Lord, enjoying his appearing to his disciples. Today's gospel is one of the loveliest accounts of his appearing - and one especially important for the reader. Jesus appears and teaches the two disciples, by reference to the Scriptures, the meaning of his death.

This is very close to the way in which the neophytes (newly baptised) would continue to be taught, through hearing the scriptures, during Easter. The reader should take to herself or himself the words of the Gospel Acclamation: Lord Jesus, explain the scriptures to us. Make our hearts burn within us as you talk to us.

Old Spectacles - The Knights of St Columba are collecting old spectacles for charity. Please place any old spectacles in the box provided in the Porch. These will be recycled via International Aid Trust and used abroad.

On the 4th Sunday of Easter (30th April) which is Vocations Sunday - We will welcome a seminarian to speak at our Masses about Vocations to the Priesthood.

Pray in May with Mary's Meals - In the month of May dedicated to Our Lady, we invite you to join us in praying for the work of Mary's Meals, a mission carried out in Our Lady's name to feed children a daily school meal in some of the world's poorest communities. This meal brings children into the classroom where they can get an education, offering hope of a better future. Our work began with prayer, and prayer has sustained our rapid growth - from feeding 200 children in 2002 to feeding over 2.4 million children today. Please join us in praying for:

- all the children who receive Mary's Meals
- all those who have grown up eating Mary's Meals and gone out into the world as adults.
- all the children still waiting for Mary's meals, that we will be able to reach them soon.

A prayer for hope

Thank you for the hope that life-changing meals bring to the communities that Mary's Meals serve. May the work of Mary's Meals help to bring hope and strength to the world and may those children whose lives have been transformed by receiving Mary's Meals use their education and voices to change their communities for the better. Amen

Public Emergency Message - Further details have been released about the alert that will be sent to smartphones across the UK **this Sunday 23rd April at 3 pm to test a new public warning system.** A message with a siren will say "*in a real emergency, follow the instructions in the alert to keep yourself*

and others safe". It will give a sound and vibration for 10 seconds even for phones on silent. Phone users will have to acknowledge the alert before they can continue using their devices. The alert system will be used to warn of extreme weather events, such as flash floods or wildfires. It could also be used during terror incidents or civil defence emergencies if the UK was under attack. It is being sent to 4G and 5G mobile phones. The full message will read: "***This is a test of Emergency Alerts, a new UK government service that will warn you if there's a life-threatening emergency nearby. In a real emergency, follow the instructions in the alert to keep yourself and others safe.***" "Visit gov.uk/alerts for more information. "This is a test. You do not need to take any action." If you don't want to hear the message either have your phone turned off or in 'Airplane' Mode before 3 pm.

Don't Get Caught Out - Blue Bay Parking in South Ribble is still **FREE** for an Hour **BUT** you now have to display a **TIME OF ARRIVAL TICKET**. The Car Park behind Hope Terrace has the new machine now and this condition of parking is now applicable.

Walk for Life - Monday 8 May, from 2pm Beginning at *Theodore House, Stonyhurst, Clitheroe, BB7 9PZ*. The Christian Heritage Centre and St Peter's Church, Stonyhurst, are holding a Walk for Life next month, in aid of Right to Life. The walk will follow the beautiful Tolkien Trail. It will end at 5:15pm with a benediction at St Peter's

PARISH MISSION:

The Mission must now continue: we must work closely as two parish communities; work to stimulate the Faith in our area; look to be a part of the Church which is beyond just the particular church building to which we have an attachment; be the family of God in new and exciting ways.

Also, we can learn how to work more closely as two parishes—All Masses and liturgies are for BOTH parishes—don't just go to the services at "your own church"!

We will seek to establish a Mission Team which takes this Parish mission forward, comprised of people from across both our parishes.

The mission did have a financial cost. Thank you to those who contributed to collections on Weds and Thurs evening. Please can you consider giving a extra few pounds to the offertory collection over the next couple weeks to help defray the costs.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

The sick, and those who care for them:

Sr Louise Shields, Pat & David Livesey, John Prescott, Kath Kelly, Freda Bibby, Tony Wilkinson, Mary Hardman

All Those who have Recently Died:

Bill Woodcock, John Phillipson, William Gaffney, Mary Church, Eileen Hardacre, Roland Eccles, Kathleen Walne, Jennifer Watson.