

ST MARY'S BROWNEDGE



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PENTECOST SUNDAY

(Year A)

28th May 2023

St Mary's, Brownedge				St Gerard's, Lostock Hall			
Sat	27th May Vigil	7:00 pm	PENTECOST SUNDAY Joe & Lizzie Dowbakin	Sat	27th May Vigil	5:30 pm	PENTECOST SUNDAY William & Lily Neville
Sun	28th May	9:30 am 6:30 pm	PENTECOST SUNDAY The Parish Doreen Singleton	Sun	28th May	10:30 am	PENTECOST SUNDAY The Parish First Holy Communion (Grp 1)
Mon	29th May	9:30 am	Mary Mother of the Church May & Frank Hewitt (Anniv)	Mon	29th May	6:00 pm 6:30 pm	Exposition Celebration of the Word & Holy Communion
Tues	30th May	9:30 am	Bill Woodcock	Tues	30th May	9:15 am	Joan Molyneux
Wed	31st May	9:30 am 2:30 pm	Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (F) Michael Jones (Anniv) St Catherine's Hospice Denis Gallagher	Wed	31st May	9:15 am	Celebration of the Word & Holy Communion
Thurs	1st June	9:30 am	Our Lord Jesus Christ, Eternal High Priest (F) Bobbie Sedgwick	Thurs	1st June	9:15 am	Our Lord Jesus Christ, Eternal High Priest (F) Priest's Intentions
Friday	2nd June	9:30 am	Ss Marcellinus & Peter (OM) Frederick Bowman	Friday	2nd June		NO MASS
Sat	3rd June Vigil	7:00 pm	TRINITY SUNDAY Peter Haythornthwaite	Sat	3rd June Vigil	5:30 pm	TRINITY SUNDAY The Parish
Sun	4th June	9:30 am 11:00 am 6:30 pm	TRINITY SUNDAY John Thorstan & Dorothy Sergeant Baptism of Elsie Campbell- Godkin The Parish	Sun	4th June	10:30 am 12 noon	TRINITY SUNDAY Doreen & George Wane First Holy Communion (Grp 2) Baptism of Aurora Halsall

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)

Prayers for the Diocese:

20/21 May: In our Diocese we now pray for the parishes of St. John's Deanery, for its people, and clergy. Let us pray for the people of the parish of St. John Paul II, Eccles, with Fr. Martin Collins, their parish priest, their primary schools and St. Patrick's High School. May the Spirit of God be their guide.

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

Crowning of Our Lady: Thank you for joining us last Sunday for the Crowning of Mary and the May Procession to the Grotto. It was a great celebration. There are some lovely photographs on our Facebook page.

First Holy Communions: These will be celebrated over a series three of our Parish Sunday Masses on 28th May, 4th June & 2nd July at 10.30am. **The Piety Shop has a selection of gifts available to remember this special day.**

Confirmations: Some of our young people, who attend All Hallows HS, will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation in the coming weeks. Please keep them in your prayers.

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

Majella Companions - The monthly meeting will be on **Tuesday 6th June** in the Shields Centre from 2 pm. All are welcome.

Fund Raising News & Events - The Family Fun Night planned for Friday 9th June **has been postponed until later in the year.**

School Governor: There is a vacancy for a foundation governor at St Gerard's Primary School. Foundation governors represent the Bishop and are expected to be committed to the Catholic Faith. If anyone is interested in taking up this role please contact Fr Mark.

CAFOD CHALLENGE - Margaret and Michael Cronin have participated in the big Lenten walk to raise funds for Cafod's work in the developing world. 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.enthuse.com/pf/michael-and-margaret-cronin/post/2860440>

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.

Live Streaming Service: There is now a camera at St Gerard's, using the same service as St Mary's have used in recent years: www.churchservices.tv The link to this can also be found on our website. It allows people to view services from wherever they may be. It is especially useful for the housebound and those who cannot travel to be present at funerals.

Found Property - Have you lost your Glasses and case? We have a Specsavers orange coloured case with glasses in the safe. Please speak to one of the sacristans.

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

Denis Gallagher - The family would like to thank Fr. Mark and Fr. Colin, David Walker, the altar servers (especially Luke and Jacob who have so reverently served at the many masses that Denis attended), the sacristans and all other unseen helpers who made the Funeral Mass so special. Thank you for the kind donations of £300 raised in Denis' memory. Celia Gallagher and Family.

Our Lady's Grotto: A big thank you to those who have helped restore the grotto in the church grounds. It is looking wonderful for this special month of May.

Summer Fair

Our Annual **Summer Fair** has been arranged for **Sunday 25th June from 11:30 am until 1:30 pm.** We are as usual appealing for donations for **Raffle prizes, toys and games and any unwanted gifts.** If you have any ideas or **Giant Lawn games or entertainment for children** we can use for the afternoon please let us know. i.e. Giant Chess, Snakes and Ladders, Play your Cards Right or Bat the Rat etc.

Parish Lottery No. 564 17/05/23

1st	£25	No. 15	Ms J Watson
2nd	£10	No. 79	Mrs G Davies
3rd	£5	No. 48	The Parish

Parish Lottery No. 565 24/05/23

1st	£25	No. 47	Mrs M Corcoran
2nd	£10	No. 75	Mr / Mrs Hawarden
3rd	£5	No. 42	Mrs M Guinan

W/C 28/5/2023	This Weeks Intentions
St Gerard	Ruth Naylor

Offertory 20th / 21st May 2023			
Offertory Loose	£308.17		
Offertory Envelopes	£168.20		
Attendance	231		
Bingo Jackpots for 31/05/2023			
£28	£74	£64	£41

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.

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Offertory Procession: Next Sunday 4th June 9:30 am Mass: Worcester Family. Volunteers are needed for bringing up the offertory gifts at all the Masses.

SVP - The SVP would like to welcome Gerry O'Neill who has taken over the role as SVP treasurer and we wish him the best of luck in his new role. We would also like to give a special Thank you to Rose Grealis for her devotion and service to the SVP over the years?

SVP - Thank you for the kind donations of £167.34 from the recent collections.

The **First Holy Communions** will be taking place at a series of three Parish Sunday Masses on 11th, 18th & 25th of June.

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 - 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.



Monastery Phone (residence of Fr Colin and Fr Mark): After a long issue with BT we have finally had the original phone number for the monastery restored. Thus the number is : 01772 321201.

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.

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

Lost Store Card: A store card was found in church a couple of weeks ago belonging to Kelly Williams. It can be retrieved from the parish office.

Prayer to Prepare for Pentecost:

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Thy faithful and kindle in them the fire of Thy love. Send forth Thy Spirit and they shall be created. And Thou shalt renew the face of the earth.

Let us pray. O God, Who did instruct the hearts of Thy faithful by the light of the Holy Spirit, grant us in the same Spirit to be truly wise, and ever to rejoice in His consolation. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Veni Sancte Spiritus, reple tuorum corda fidelium et tui amoris in eis ignem accende. Emitte Spiritum tuum, et creabuntur. Et renovabis faciem terrae. Orémus. Deus, qui corda fidelium Sancti Spiritus illustratióne docuisti, da nobis in eodem Spiritu recta sapere, et de eius semper consolatióne gaudere. Per Christum, Dóminum nostrum. Amen.

Sanctuary Lamps Week 22

1 Please Pray for the Ashe Family & Relatives Deceased and Living

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	65
9:30 am	126
6:30 p.m..	81
Total	271

Joint Notices



PENTECOST SUNDAY—We arrive at the fiftieth day - the completion of the Easter Season, and the completion of the Paschal Mystery: the Lord has died, is risen, has ascended to heaven and now gives birth to his Church, by sending the Spirit upon the apostles. This feast of the gift of the Spirit is so significant for us, because it marks the handing on of Jesus's ministry to the Church - in the

Church we are guaranteed the presence of the Lord, in his sacraments, in his ministers, in the Blessed Sacrament and in his Celebrated Word. It also marks the fulfilment of our thoughts about baptism throughout this season: the gift of the Spirit which we receive in Confirmation is the seal of our baptism, guaranteeing and confirming all that baptism achieves.

Communion Under Both Kinds: We will resume receiving Holy Communion under both kinds from the Feast of Corpus Christi: 10/11th June. Please take home the leaflets available at the back of Church and inform yourself about the good reason why Holy Communion is distributed under both kinds.

Deanery Mass for Vocations: Many thanks to those who supported the Deanery Mass on Thursday evening. It was a wonderful celebration, reminding us all of the importance of praying for the gift of people responding to God's call. It is vital that we all join in praying and promoting this call to the priesthood. Show gentle encouragement and prompting of those who may have a vocation.

Confirmations: Over the next few weeks there will be confirmation preparation classes for anyone in our parishes who wish to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this summer. Anyone in Year Eight or above is eligible to receive Confirmation. Pupils at Brownedge St Mary's will be invited via school. Young people at any other High Schools should contact Fr Mark or the Parish Office.

Diocesan Synod: At the Chrism Mass 2023, Bishop John convoked our Diocesan Synod, inviting us all to prayerfully discern how we can best address the changing needs of our diocesan community. A Diocesan Synod is an opportunity for the bishop, clergy and lay-people of our diocese to come together in a spirit of prayer, discerning what God is asking of His Church in our Diocese.

Each parish is asked to nominate two lay Synod Members. **If you believe someone in our parishes would be a good representative, please nominate them to Fr Mark.** It is very important that we can propose Synod Members for our parishes.

Holy Hour with the Bishop: Bishop Arnold wants to spend some time in prayer with the people of each deanery in the diocese to focus on the Synod. In our Deanery of St John Southworth, this will be on **Tuesday 18 July from 6.30pm—8pm** at St. Joseph's, Audley Range, Blackburn. All welcome.

Broughton Catholic Charitable Society: Members are reminded that the AGM and lunch takes place on "Whit Tuesday" 30th May at Garstang Golf & Country Club. Please book your lunch by emailing the secretary, Peter Van Parys: bccssecretary@gmail.com. Further information on this historic catholic charity supporting the needy of Lancashire can be found on the website: www.broughtonsociety.co.uk

Retreat Days at St Gerard's Shield Centre - Wednesday 7th June 2023: - THE PRACTICE OF THE PRESENCE OF GOD - Br Lawrence's wisdom on prayer as part of our daily lives.

Monday 3rd July 2023: LECTIO DIVINA | An ancient monastic approach, being led by the Holy Spirit through Scripture.

If you are interested or would like more information, please get in touch with the Presbytery office and book on to the Lostock Hall Spirituality Retreat Programme session. Each session cost £20.

A Prayer of Hope for Mary's Meals:

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.

Preston Orpheus Choir - Will be singing the Mozart Requiem on **Saturday 3rd June** from 7 pm. Tickets are £5. The concert takes place at St Leonards Church, Marshalls Brow, Penwortham, PR1 9JA. Payment is on the door.

Diocese of Salford Synod 2023—2025 Prayer

Loving Father be with us as we seek new ways of being your people in our Diocese. May each new day bring us closer to your son Jesus, as we follow his teaching and become disciples of love. As we continue our Synodal journey draw us closer to each other. May the truth of your Spirit enlighten us. Open our hearts, as we listen to each other and reach out in love to your people. Stay with us, Lord, on our journey. Amen

***Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Pray for us,
St Joseph, Pray for us.***

PLEASE PRAY FOR

The sick, and those who care for them:
Sr Louise Shields, John Prescott, Kath Kelly,
Freda Bibby, Sandra Nightingale, John Robinson

All Those who have Recently Died:
Denis Gallagher, Michael Nugent,
Canon Bill Byrne, Fr Jack Rigby, Michael Nugent.