

## ST MARY'S BROWNEDGE



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### THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

(Year A)

4th June 2023

| St Mary's, Brownedge |                    |                                |  | St Gerard's, Lostock Hall |                    |                     |  |
|----------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|--|---------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--|
| Sat                  | 3rd June<br>Vigil  | 7:00 pm                        | <b>TRINITY SUNDAY</b><br>Peter Haythornthwaite   | Sat                       | 3rd June<br>Vigil  | 5:30 pm             | <b>TRINITY SUNDAY</b><br>The Parish  |
| Sun                  | 4th June           | 9:30 am<br>11:00 am<br>6:30 pm | <b>TRINITY SUNDAY</b><br>John Thorstan & Dorothy Sergeant<br>Baptism of Elsie Campbell-Godkin<br>The Parish          | Sun                       | 4th June           | 10:30 am<br>12 noon | <b>TRINITY SUNDAY</b><br>Doreen & George Wane<br>First Holy Communion (Grp 2)<br>Baptism of Aurora Halsall |
| Mon                  | 5th June           | 9:30 am                        | St Boniface (M)<br>Lorna Bentley   | Mon                       | 5th June           | 6:00 pm<br>6:30 pm  | Exposition<br>Celebration of the Word & Holy Communion   |
| Tues                 | 6th June           | 9:30 am                        | St Norbert (OM)<br>William Houghton R.I.P.   | Tues                      | 6th June           | 9:15 am             | Michael Nugent R.I.P.  |
| Wed                  | 7th June           | 9:30 am<br>2:30 pm             | Margaret Frances Westcott<br>St Catherine's Hospice<br>Jack Hartley  | Wed                       | 7th June           | 9:15 am             | Celebration of the Word & Holy Communion   |
| Thurs                | 8th June           | 11:00 am                       | Requiem for Kathleen Kelly   | Thurs                     | 8th June           | 9:15 am             | Holy Souls   |
| Friday               | 9th June           | 9:30 am                        | St Ephraem (OM)<br>Anne, Jack & John Jenkins   | Friday                    | 9th June           |                     | NO MASS  |
| Sat                  | 10th June<br>Vigil | 7:00 pm                        | <b>CORPUS CHRISTI</b><br>Doreen McMellon   | Sat                       | 10th June<br>Vigil | 5:30 pm             | <b>CORPUS CHRISTI</b><br>Denis Gallagher R.I.P.  |
| Sun                  | 11th June          | 9:30 am<br>3.00 pm<br>6:30 pm  | <b>CORPUS CHRISTI</b><br>George Boland<br>First Holy Communions<br><b>Blessed Sacrament Procession</b><br>The Parish | Sun                       | 11th June          | 10:30 am<br>12 noon | <b>CORPUS CHRISTI</b><br>The Parish<br>Baptism of Anastasia Szlachciak                                     |

**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)

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.

#### Prayers for the Diocese:

**03/04th June:** We pray for the people of the Parish of the Holy Trinity, Worsley, with Mgr John Dale, their Parish Priest, for Deacon Lee Davies, for the Franciscan Missionaries of St. Joseph, the chaplaincy to St. Ann's Hospice, and for the parish primary schools. May they be a community modelled on the communion of the Blessed Trinity.

#### 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

**First Holy Communions:** Congratulations to the children who made their First Holy Communion last week and to those making it this weekend. The last group will receive the sacrament on Sunday 2nd July at 10.30am. If you would like to look at the recording from last Sunday it is available on our website <https://saintgerards.org.uk/live-stream/> and then click on the Featured Videos link. **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 27th June** in the Shields Centre from 2 pm. All are welcome.

**Fund Raising Group Meeting** - The next meeting is on **Tuesday 13th June at 6:30 pm** in the Shields Centre. New ideas and offers of help for the Summer Fair appreciated.

**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.

**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 a now a camera at St Gerard's, using the same service as St Mary's have used in recent years: [www.churchservices.tv](http://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.

**Father Xavier:** On Wednesday **21st June** Father Xavier will celebrate 25 years since his ordination to the priesthood. The 10.30am Mass at St Gerard's on **Sunday 25th June** will be said for his intentions. Margaret and Michael Cronin, and Christine Flanagan, will be visiting him at Ampleforth on Thursday **15th June** and if anyone wants to send him a card they will be happy to pass them on.

**P.T.A.** - Our School PTA are running a used School Uniform Sale and Ice Lolly shop from the Shields Centre after school at 3:15 pm to 4 pm every Friday in term time.



**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. 566 31/05/23 |     |                             |                  |
|---------------------------------|-----|-----------------------------|------------------|
| 1st                             | £25 | No. 69                      | Mrs D Mackey     |
| 2nd                             | £10 | No. 10                      | Ms C Flanagan    |
| 3rd                             | £5  | No. 25                      | Mr / Mrs A Walsh |
| W/C 4/06/2023                   |     | This Weeks Intentions       |                  |
| Our Lady                        |     | In memory of William & Lily |                  |
| St Gerard                       |     | Ruth Naylor                 |                  |

| Offertory 27th / 28th May 2023 |         |     |     |
|--------------------------------|---------|-----|-----|
| Offertory Loose                | £368.34 |     |     |
| Offertory Envelopes            | £162.00 |     |     |
| Attendance                     | 249     |     |     |
| Bingo Jackpots for 07/06/2023  |         |     |     |
| £29                            | £75     | £65 | £42 |

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



## Blessed Sacrament Procession Next Sunday:

On the feast of "Corpus Christi", **Sunday 11 June, at 3pm**, we will hold a procession of the Blessed Sacrament around the Church grounds concluding with Benediction. Please invite family and friends to join us for this special occasion.

**Offertory Procession:** Next Sunday 11th June 9:30 am Mass: First Holy Communion Children. Volunteers are needed for bringing up the offertory gifts at all the Masses.

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.

**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.

**Ecumenical Morning Prayer:** On the first Wednesday of each month we have ecumenical morning prayer. This week on Wednesday 7 June it will take place at St Aidan's C/E Church on Station Road at 8.00 am. All welcome.

**Organ Recital:** St Aidan's C/E Church on Station Road are holding an Organ Recital on Saturday 10th June at 12.30pm. Performance by Marc Murray, organist of Bury Parish Church. Suggested donation £10 for the organ fund.

**Legacies:** 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,** We are a small team of nurses and qualified healthcare assistants who support people at home overnight who need care. We offer up to 3 nights a week care and support from 10pm - 7am. There is **NO CHARGE** for our service. We currently have some capacity to offer our service in your area. For further information, please contact Theresa Swan, Registered Manager, on 07897 199 101 or by email: [theresa.swan@tnc.org.uk](mailto:theresa.swan@tnc.org.uk)

## For the Children to Colour at Home:



| Sanctuary Lamps Week 23 |  |
|-------------------------|--|
| 1                       | Deceased members of the Wareing Family |

| 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   | 75         |
| 9:30 am  | 119        |
| 6:30 p.m..   | 54         |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>248</b> |

# Joint Notices



## TRINITY SUNDAY:

*'Si comprehendis, non est Deus' - 'If you understand him, he is not God'.*

Pope Benedict XVI uses this quote from St Augustine in his wonderful encyclical, "God Is Love". To grasp a full understanding of the

mystery of God is an impossible task; that does not mean we cannot grasp anything in our understanding of God but rather that there is infinite meaning in God and we are called to grow ever deeper into that mystery. Even putting a name on the Lord was not done by the people of Israel as this was seen as putting limits on God. Many people over the centuries have tried to use images to reflect something of the Mystery of the Trinity: St Patrick with the shamrock; Graham Greene's Mgr Quixote points to different bottles of the same wine; H<sub>2</sub>O which can be ice, water or steam; the three sides and angles of an equilateral triangle. All such analogies are flawed to some degree but perhaps they can give some flicker of insight into the mystery. The very essence of God is love; he created us in His image and likeness, thus we are called to be a community of love. As Christians, everything we do and everything we are is done in His unfathomable name: Father, Son and Holy Spirit: it is the fullness of the Godhead which we celebrate in this great Feast today.

**Communion Under Both Kinds:** We will resume receiving Holy Communion under both kinds from next weekend the Feast of Corpus Christi: 10/11th June. The church has sought advice from senior medical professionals and we have been assured that the risk of spreading infection is minimal. The fact the chalice is a precious metal, that the Precious Blood has a relatively high alcohol content and the priest or minister purifies between each communicant, helps to minimise that risk. 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.

**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. Thus far Fr Mark has received one proposal from St Gerard's and none from St Mary's. Please suggest people who could represent our parishes as Synod Members.

## Deanery 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.

## Could you be a CAFOD school volunteer? -

CAFOD. Would you be someone who would be willing to help people young people in your area stay informed about CAFOD's work and issues relating to global justice. We are looking for people to volunteer with our exciting and well established school's programme. No school experience is required and you can offer as many hours as suits you. We offer training, ongoing support and flexibility. If you are interested in either, please contact Simon Holleron from CAFOD 077 100 944 54 [sholleron@cafod.org.uk](mailto:sholleron@cafod.org.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.

## 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, Freda Bibby,  
Sandra Nightingale

**All Those who have Recently Died:**  
Michael Nugent, Kathleen Kelly, Phyllis Weston