

MASSES AND SERVICES: Ordinary Time Week 1

Vigil 7.00	BAPTISM OF THE LORD 09 Jan <i>Mary Carmody</i>	Thu 9.30	14 Jan <i>Anne & Maguire and Albino Families</i>
Sun 9.30	BAPTISM OF THE LORD 10 Jan <i>Richard & Mary Lloyd</i>	Fri 9.30	15 Jan <i>Intentions of Mothers Prayers</i>
11.00	<i>The Parish</i>	1.00	<i>Funeral Mass: Mary Sheila Woolf</i>
6.30	<i>Evelyn Towey LD</i>	Sat 9.30	16 Jan <i>Dec'd Members of Ramsdale Family</i>
Mon 9.30	11 Jan <i>Lizzie & Joe Dombakin</i>	Vigil 7.00	2nd Sunday in OT 16 Jan <i>Evelyn Towey</i>
Tues 9.30	St Aelred of Rievaulx 12 Jan <i>Nellie & Jack Holt and James Robert Holme</i>	Sun 9.30	2nd Sunday in OT 17 Jan <i>The Parish</i>
Wed 9.30	St Hilary 13 Jan <i>Marianne Carmody</i>	11.00	<i>Lee Morgan LD</i>
11.00	<i>Funeral Mass: Joan Whitehead</i>	6.30	<i>Frank Bevan</i>

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Tuesday & Thursday: 3pm to 4pm.

Online Holy Rosary: Each Day 8pm

Confession: Sat: 10-10-30 outside in the churchyard by the back door of the sacristy, (weather permitting) or by appointment.

Sanctuary Lamps : Ordinary Time Wk 1:

1. Patrick & Mary Brannock And John Hanlon 2. Winifred Livesey

All Services can be viewed live or on playback at any time on www.stmarysbrownedge.org.uk or www.churchservices.tv

If you need help to set it up ask friends or family. You can usually plug a PC into your TV to watch it on the big screen. If you have a "Smart TV" save the site in the TV web browser

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.

Prayers for Salford Diocese: Let us pray for the people of the parish of St. Mary and St. Philip Neri, Radcliffe, for Fr. Philip Brady, their parish priest, and for the parish primary school. As they live out their baptismal mission, may they draw others to Christ, God's Beloved Son.

Stay with us, Lord, on our journey!



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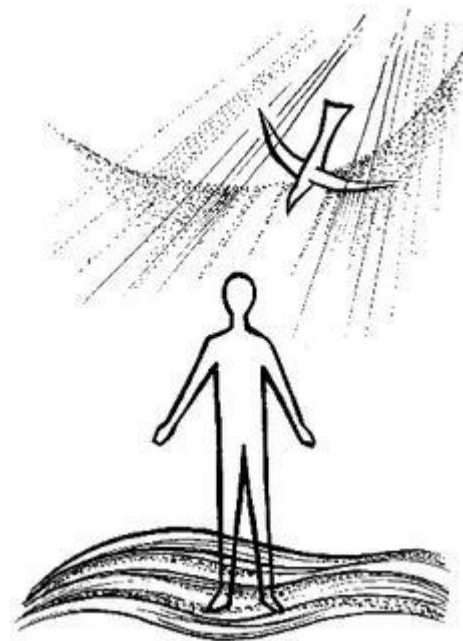
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Pope Francis: Baptism of Jesus:

Today's Gospel passage emphasises that when Jesus "came up out of the water, immediately he saw the heavens opened and the Spirit descending upon him like a dove". The Holy Spirit, who had worked from the beginning of creation and had led Moses and the people in the desert, now descends in fullness upon Jesus to give him the power to accomplish his mission in the world. The Spirit is the creator of Jesus' baptism and also of our baptism. He opens the eyes of our hearts to the truth, to the whole truth. He propels our life along the path of charity. He is the gift that the Father has given to each one of us on the day of our baptism. He, the Spirit, transmits the tenderness of divine forgiveness to us. And it is again he, the Holy Spirit, who makes the revelatory Word of the Father resonate: "You are my Son".

BAPTISM OF THE LORD(B) 10 JANUARY 2021

TODAY:

BAPTISM OF THE LORD

The feast of the Baptism of the Lord concludes the liturgical season of Christmas. It marks a moment of revelation the world that “God is with us”. We hear the words of the Father: “You are my Son the Beloved!” Listen for the words of the Father in your life proclaiming that the Beloved Son is indeed with you!

Covid19 Restrictions: We can come to church with our own household or bubble if we feel able to and maintain social distance while we are there. Services will remain available online; we can bring the church into our homes in a very special way: *we are the church*. We can make a true and spiritual communion although we are not physically present. The Sunday Mass obligation is dispensed, but, if you are not attending in person, do try to watch a Mass online or pray with the sheet “The Lord’s Day at Home”.

Will Church remain open? As the virus escalates there have been some calls for places of worship to close once more. The allowance to remain open was not taken lightly and was granted due the very stringent safeguards we have been providing. We will monitor the situation and if we do need to close we will spread the word as quickly and as widely as possible. In the meantime, do not feel any obligation to attend and if you do attend, do not socialise outside of your household/bubble.

Offertory Donations: We are not holding offertory collections during Mass but please do try to remember to put your offertory money

in the bags on the way in or out of Church. You can also post your donations and any Mass intentions through the Letterbox of the Priory which is locked inside. Also, it is possible to make online donations. www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/supporting-your-parish-financially/ There is a link to this on our website and on the live stream.

Contactless Payments! Our parish is one 15 across the diocese doing a trial with machines where people can make contactless donations. This is a simple way to make your contribution to the Church: sanitise your hands; tap the screen for the amount you wish to give; you can tap “other amount” and enter your own amount; hold your contactless debit or credit card over the top of the machine and wait for a “beep”. You will be asked if you want to “gift aid” your donation; to do this you enter your name, the first line of address and postcode. You only have to do this once if you use the same card. Please move on as soon as you as you have made your transaction to help avoid congestion.

Christmas Videos: Our High School have prepared a wonderful video as their Advent Service which they all watched from their classes. It would be a great thing to watch this for Christmas. Find the link on our Facebook Page.

Reconciliation: If you do not have the opportunity to get to confession over Christmas, the Parish Reconciliation Service from Wednesday 16 December is available on the recording section of our Church Services TV page.

Crib Scenes: Many thanks for all the photos of your home crib scenes. “The Brownedge Posada” is publishing one each day of the Advent and Christmas season on Facebook so email your photo to bamberbridgeoffice@gmail.com or send on messenger to the Parish Facebook Page. It is great to see these images of the Christmas Nativity scene, some of them family treasures, in the midst of so many homes. Thank you. for sharing them

Parish Website: Visit our website. This newsletter, announcements, live streaming and other resources can be found here:

www.stmarysbrownedge.org.uk

Facebook: Please “like” our parish Facebook page and share with family and friends some of the things on it Also, when you share suggest to friends that they follow our page. This

is a really effective and simple way to do your bit of evangelisation. It can help to build up a real interest locally in our parish and the work of the Church. We all know how a virus can reach to places we think we have had no contact with—let’s spread the good news instead.

200 Club: December Draw: 1st £200 No 200 Mary Lofthouse : 2nd £60 No 347 Dorothy Livesey : 3rd £40 No 56 Pauline Wilkinson. Sincere thanks for a donation to the 200 club from a recent winner.

The 200 Club has been a great way to support the parish during Covid19. It has raised £10K for Church funds over the past 12 months. Many thanks to Sandra Laverick and Kathryn Haythornthwaite for their great work in organising it.

Syrian Refugee Project: We have received a couple of wonderful Christmas gifts: A donation of £4500 has been promised as well as donation of £500 handed in at the Priory. We have now raised the £9,000 which is our commitment to support the project. We would like to thank you for your support - in donations and prayers - which has enabled us to reach this amount. Most of this money is already earmarked and we will continue to fundraise. We are mindful that when the family eventually arrives it will be through the efforts of our two parishes. Thank you.

Fr Cassian Dickie OSB: Please pray for Fr Cassian, formerly here in the parish. He is seriously ill and in need of our prayers. He is in residence with Fr Jonathan and Fr Bernard at St Mary's, Leyland. They all send their greetings to parishioners at St Mary's Brownedge and sincere thanks for the many cards they have received.

Catholic Papers: From the New Year, we will not be stocking copies of The Universe. If you wish to order a copy you can do so either as a regular printed copy or as a digital copy: www.thecatholicuniverse.com or phone 0161 820 5722. **There is a FREE digital trial:** www.thecatholicuniverse.com/subscription-trial

New Abbot: Fr Robert Igo has been elected ninth Abbot of Ampleforth, Dom Robert takes on the role of Abbot with immediate effect. He joined a small group of Ampleforth monks, including Fr Colin, in Zimbabwe, at the monastery established by the Ampleforth community in 1996. Since 2005 he has been Prior at the Monastery of Christ the Word. Please pray for him and the community of Ampleforth.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

The sick, and those who care for them:

Rev Cassian Dickie, OSB, John Prescott, Andre Jacobs, Lorna Bentley, Chris Ashton, Amy Lloyd, Elsie Smith, Barbara Davis, Margaret Roxburgh, Eddie Gough, Joyce Crook, Teddy Howes, Brenda Towers, Margaret Riley, Ryan Womack, Tony Wilkinson, June Gent, Emma Garth, Mgr Mark Langham, Liz O'Donnell.

Those who have Recently Died

Catherine Bamber, Joan Whitehead, Sheila Woof, Jean Gerrard.

Year of St Joseph

Pope Francis has announced a Year of St Joseph in a new Apostolic Letter, *Patris corde* (“With a Father’s Heart”). He describes St Joseph as a beloved father, a tender and loving father, an obedient father, an accepting father; a father who is creatively courageous, a working father, a father in the shadows. He gives us this new prayer to St Joseph:

*Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.*

*Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage,
and defend us from every evil. Amen.*

ST. JOSEPH



Joseph the worker,
protector and guardian.

