

## MASSES AND SERVICES: ORDINARY TIME WEEK 8

<b>Vigil</b>	<b>8th in Ordinary Time</b>	<b>26 Feb</b>	<b>Thu</b>		<b>03 Mar</b>
7.00	<i>Philip Morris</i>		9.30	<i>Michael Colman</i>	
<b>Sun</b>	<b>8th in Ordinary Time</b>	<b>27 Feb</b>	<b>Fri</b>	<b>St Casimir</b>	<b>04 Mar</b>
9.30	<i>Joe &amp; Lizzy Dombakin</i>		7.00	<i>Pat Bradley</i>	
11.00	<i>John Purdie</i>		9.30	<i>Rachel Thompson</i>	
6.30	<i>The Parish</i>		3.30	World Day of Prayer	
<b>Mon</b>		<b>28 Feb</b>	4.30	Stations of the Cross	
9.30	<i>Bernard Halpin—90th Birthday Memories</i>		<b>Sat</b>		<b>05 Mar</b>
<b>Tues</b>	<b>ST DAVID</b>	<b>01 Mar</b>	9.30	<i>Seamus McLaughlin</i>	
9.30	<i>Agnes Doreen Singleton (nee Thompson)</i>		<b>Vigil</b>	<b>1ST OF LENT</b>	<b>05 Mar</b>
<b>Wed</b>	<b>ASH WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>02 Mar</b>	7.00	<i>Maurice Cookson &amp; Leslie Parker</i>	
	<b>Day of Fasting and Abstinence</b>		<b>Sun</b>	<b>1ST OF LENT</b>	<b>06 Mar</b>
9.30	<i>Bob Moffatt</i>		9.30	<i>The Parish</i>	
4.30	<i>Sr Mary Higney</i>		11.00	<i>Michael Jones</i>	
7.30	<i>The Parish</i>		6.30	<i>Special Intention (JB)</i>	

### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Tues and Thurs: 3pm to 4pm.

Sat: 10-10.30

**Confession: Sat: 10-10.30am**

or on request

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

### Sanctuary Lamps Week 14:

1. Refugees & Asylum Seekers; 2. Deceased Family & Friends of Ann & David Gorman : Deceased of the Ampleforth Community

### Services 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. Nev-

**Prayers for Salford Diocese:** Let us pray for the people of the Parish of Christ the King, Newton Heath, for Fr Derek McCartney, their parish priest, and for their parish primary school.

May they always give thanks to the Lord.

*Stay with us, Lord, on our journey!*



**HOPE**  
IN THE FUTURE



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APPEAL

My heart aches greatly at the worsening situation in Ukraine. Despite the diplomatic efforts of the last few weeks, increasingly alarming scenarios are opening up. Like me, many people all over the world are feeling anguish and concern. Once again the peace of all is threatened by partisan interests. I would like to appeal to those with political responsibility to examine their consciences seriously before God, who is the God of peace and not of war; who is the Father of all, not just of some, who wants us to be brothers and not enemies. I pray that all the parties involved refrain from any action that would cause even more suffering to the people, destabilising coexistence between nations and bringing international law into disrepute.

And now I would like to appeal to everyone, believers and non-believers alike. Jesus taught us that the diabolical senselessness of violence is answered with God's weapons, with prayer and fasting. I invite everyone to make next 2 March, Ash Wednesday, a Day of Fasting for Peace. I encourage believers in a special way to dedicate themselves intensely to prayer and fasting on that day. May the Queen of Peace preserve the world from the madness of war.

*Franciscus*

8TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

27 FEBRUARY 2022

## TODAY: 8th in Ordinary Time

“Why do you observe the splinter in your brother’s eye and never notice the plank in your own?”! This comment by Jesus in today’s Gospel rings so true for all of us; how to we break the habit of making judgements and criticisms of others? Recognise our own need of mercy.

**9.30 Mass this Sunday:** facilitated by our children and young people.

**Offertory Processions:** Next Sunday, 6 Mar 9.30am Mass: Andrews Family  
Volunteers are needed for bringing up the offertory gifts at all the Masses.

**Mon 28 Feb: Prayer Vigil for Peace in Ukraine** from 6pm to 10pm at St Wilfrid’s Chapel Street, PR1 8BU. All welcome to come for as little or as long as you wish. See posters at church exits.

**Tue 1 Mar: 1.00pm SVP** meet in the Priory

**Tues 1 Mar 7pm Synod Listening & Discussion in the Narthex:** a chance for parishioners from both St Mary’s and St Gerard’s to get together to look at what how the Holy Spirit is calling us to be the Church in our times. There will be pancakes and a short service to burn some palms for Ash Wednesday.

**Wednesday 2 March : Ash Wednesday**—a day of Fasting and Abstinence. See Mass times on the back of bulletin.

**Thu 3 March: 7-9pm Hope in the Future** talk on the relationship of faith and science by Mark Rotherham at the Xaverian Centre, 168 Sharoe Green Lane, Fulwood, PR2 8HE

**Fri 4 Mar: 3.30pm at St Mary’s Brownedge:** Churches Together gathering for **Women’s World Day of Prayer.** Please come and pray.

### EACH FRIDAY DURING LENT:

**Early Morning Mass @ 7.00am;** a great way to start to the day, especially for workers.

**CAFOD Coffee Mornings:** after 9.30 Mass

**Stations of the Cross @ 4.30pm;** a traditional devotion for Lent. Anyone willing to read at the stations please see Fr Mark.

**Offertory Collections:** We are pleased that we can now resume the practice of having an offertory collection during Mass. We would welcome more volunteers to go around and help to take the collection and bring it up to the altar. This symbolises offering our practical, as well as our spiritual, gifts to God.

Also, it is possible to make online donations: [www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/supporting-your-parish-financially/](http://www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/supporting-your-parish-financially/) There is a link to this on our website and on the live stream.

**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.



**SYNOD:** Have your say about the Church: Pope Francis has called a Universal Synod which is taking place in every Catholic diocese across the world. The Synod is themed: “For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, and Mission”. We want to hear from as many people as possible, those involved in the church and those who are not. You can take part by completing an online submission using the QR code or following this link.



[www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/3D3FXJ2](http://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/3D3FXJ2).

Please share this link with family and friends. Your contribution is invaluable and will make a considerable difference to the future of the Church in our diocese and across the world.

**Share Your Thoughts:** Please collect the sheet from the back of Church and return with you reflections. This is also available on the parish website.

**Parish Website:** Visit our website. This newsletter, announcements, live streaming and other resources can be found here: [www.stmarysbrownedge.org.uk](http://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. Follow us on @stmaysbrownedge

**Coming Back to Sunday Mass:** This week Cardinal Nichols has encouraged everyone to try to resume the practice of coming to Mass on Sundays. Perhaps make it a Lenten resolution?

**Hymn Books:** A new set of Hymn Books will be bought in memory of Bernadette Ryles; Thank you to Ted and Berni’s family for their great generosity. Many thanks to several other people who have also given donations; these will be used to help provide an information & prayer sign by the new shrine of Our Lady.

**Covid 19 Rules:** The Church has updated our guidelines recently. The full document is on the website. The main points for us:

**Face coverings** are still encouraged but not mandatory.

**Holy Communion:** This may now be received on the tongue for those who wish to receive in this way. Holy communion will continue to be distributed under one kind only (sacred host) for the time being. Receiving from the chalice will be kept under review in line with medical advice.

**Social distancing** no longer required. The first 10 rows will now all be open. The remaining rows will remain as alternate rows for those who prefer to remain 2 metres apart.

**Holy Water:** we can now use the Holy Water fonts on entering and leaving church. They will be cleaned out weekly. Thus we can reintroduce the blessing of water and asperges on the 1st Sunday of the month.

**Rose Cottage:** We are in the process of renovating Rose Cottage to make available for rental on the housing market. This will hopefully provide a regular sustained income to support the upkeep of our parish in the long term. We have come across many items left there over the years: these are available on the table in the narthex for anyone who would like them. There is box for donations to the Church.

**CAFOD’S Walk Against Hunger Lent Challenge:** There are 200 million children in the world whose lives are at risk from malnutrition. We as a community are walking to help people around the world to live free from hunger. We will meet outside church at 10.30am on **Saturday, 12 March** and walk 2.5km/5km. If that is too much, join some of us as we do a lap or two of the graveyard. You can get sponsors or give a small donation to the Family Fast Day Lent Appeal. We will meet back at church for refreshments and a rest! All welcome to join in. On Fridays in Lent we will be having coffee mornings after 9.30am Mass, details on the Cafod boards in church and in the porch.

### Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham led by Bishop John Arnold—Saturday 7 May 2022

After a break of two years, due to the pandemic, we are pleased to confirm the resumption of our annual pilgrimage to Our Lady’s Shrine in England. The pilgrimage will be led by Bishop John and will take place on Saturday, 7 May. We hope coaches will be available from each deanery, leaving around 7 am and arriving back around 10pm. The cost for the day trip is £20. Those wishing to make their own way are welcome to join the pilgrimage in Walsingham. Further information on available coaches and how to book to follow.

Along side this, there will be a youth pilgrimage for young people in years 7, 8 and 9. The Youth coach will leave on Friday, 6 May around 10am from Salford Cathedral and arrive back around 10p, on Saturday, 7 May. The group will be staying at Elmham House in Walsingham. The subsidised cost for the Youth Pilgrimage is £50, which includes accommodation, food and travel. To book a place, complete the online form: <https://forms.gle/nwDThmqBFLV5LEjU7>

**Holy Land Pilgrimage April 25– May 2nd:** We hope this is now happening! A meeting for pilgrims on 31 March at 7pm in the Narthex.

### PLEASE PRAY FOR

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

Kath Kelly<sup>3</sup>, June Wrigley<sup>3</sup>, Joan Melling<sup>3</sup>,  
Sheila Green<sup>3</sup>, Connie Dixon<sup>3</sup>, June Gent<sup>2</sup>,  
Carol Purdie<sup>2</sup>

**All Those who have Recently Died**