



St Mary's Brownedge

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ALL SAINTS - YEAR C

2nd November 2025

St Mary's, Brownedge			
Sat	1st Nov Vigil	7:00 pm	ALL SAINTS Deceased Members of the Livesey, Haydock & Pedley Families
Sun	2nd Nov	9:30 am 6:30 pm	ALL SAINTS John Rawcliffe Jaki Sanderson
Mon	3rd Nov	9:30 am	ALL SOULS Jack Molyneaux
Tues	4th Nov	9:30 am	St Charles Borromeo ^(M) Thanksgiving for Aurma, Stuart, & Twazo
Wed	5th Nov	9:30 am	Harold Whiteside (Marsden Class)
Thurs	6th Nov	9.30 am 11:00am	Ramsdale Family Funeral Service for Sean Loneragan
Fri	7th Nov	9:30 am	St Willibrord ^(OM) In Thanksgiving
Sat	8th Nov Vigil	7:00 pm	DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA Derek Nickson R.I.P.
Sun	9th Nov	9:30 am 10.30am 6:30 pm	DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA Remembrance Sunday Mass Jack Molyneaux War Memorial Ceremony For Mothers' Prayers Group

St Gerard's, Lostock Hall			
Sat	1st Nov Vigil	5:30 pm	ALL SAINTS Kathleen Calvey R.I.P.
Sun	2nd Nov	10:30 am	ALL SAINTS The Parish
Mon	3rd Nov	6:00 pm 6:30 pm	ALL SOULS Exposition Service of the Word
Tues	4th Nov	9:15 am	St Charles Borromeo ^(M) Stephan Phelan (School Years 1 & 2)
Wed	5th Nov	9:15 am	Service of the Word
Thurs	6th Nov	6:30 pm	Father Vincent Naylor (Anniversary)
Fri	7th Nov		NO SERVICES
Sat	8th Nov Vigil	5:30 pm	DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA The Parish
Sun	9th Nov	10:30 am	DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA Denis Gallagher (Birthday Anniversary)

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

St. Mary's: Tuesday & Thursday 3 pm to 4 pm

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)

Holy Rosary: Streamed at 8pm each evening from St Mary's.



**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.

Prayer for Salford Diocese This Week:

Let us pray this week for the people of the parish of Our Lady and St. Alphonsus Parish, Moss Side and Old Trafford, and for Father Patrick Deegan, their Parish Priest. We pray for their Parish Primary Schools and Loreto Sixth Form College.

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.

Joint Notices



ALL SAINTS

All Saints Day is for all those who have gone before us and now share in the fulness of life in heaven. It is a day when we should aspire to join them in the company of the saints. How do we become saints? The pattern for us to become saints and live in the fulness of life is laid out by Jesus in the Beatitudes which we hear as our Gospel today.

Sycamore (RCIA): Do you want to become a Catholic or learn more about the faith? A great start to our new course learning about the Catholic Faith. All still welcome to come along this week on **Tuesday 4th November** at 7pm in the Narthex at St Mary's. This week the session is about "The Power of Prayer". What is prayer? Why is it important? What difference can it make to my life? And how do I actually pray? This Sycamore film explores the meaning of Christian prayer, and gives some practical tips about how you can start.

November Month of the Holy Souls: As the First of November falls on a Saturday this year, the Feast of All Saints is transferred to Sunday 2 November. In turn, All Souls Day is celebrated on Monday 3rd November.

Holy Souls Envelopes: We pray for all the Holy Souls throughout this final month of the Church's year. If you wish to pray for anyone who has died, please fill out the envelopes provided and they will be placed in a box by the altar throughout November. Offerings in the envelopes go towards Masses for the Holy Souls throughout the year.

Remembrance Sunday: November 9th.

There will be a Requiem Mass for the those who have died in war at St Mary's at 9.30am followed by laying of wreaths at the Brownedge War Memorial on the corner of Duddle Lane / Brownedge Lane at 10:30 am on the same day.

In Lostock Hall, the British Legion hold the usual Memorial Parade, beginning at 2.30pm near St Gerard's Presbytery on Brownedge Road and finishing with a wreath-laying service at the War Memorial on Hope Terrace at about 3pm.

Masses for Bereaved Families: On the weekend of 15/16th November we remember in a special way those of our parish and our families who have died in the past year:

Saturday 15th at 5.30pm at St Gerard's and Sunday 16th at 9.30am at St Mary's, we invite all those who have lost loved ones to join us at Mass and light a candle for each of them. A sign-up sheet is at the back of both churches.

CAFOD Coffee morning: At St Mary's, Brownedge on **Friday 7th November** after the morning Mass. Please come along and support our regular First Friday Coffee Morning to support CAFOD.

Quarant' Ore:

As in recent years, to conclude the liturgical year, for the Feast of Christ the King we will hold 40 hours of Exposition and Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament at St Mary's Brownedge. This will be from **Thurs 20th to Sun 23rd November:** 10am to 8pm on Thursday and Friday; 10am to 6.30pm on Sat and 12-6pm on Sunday. Sanctuary lamps will be available for £10 in memory of a loved one or for a special prayer intention. The 9 day lamp will be lit for the duration of the 40 hours and then used throughout the year, as our sanctuary lamp in church for that week. Envelopes for a Quarant' Ore candle are available from the back of the church.

Knights of St Columba Social Events: Thank you to all who attended and contributed to the KSC Festive Prize Bingo Night: on Friday 31st October.

Brass Band & Carol Concert: St. Mary's, Brownedge, on **Sunday, 30th November** at 3pm. Tickets £7 including refreshments, children free. There will also be a raffle, proceeds of the concert and bingo to KSC Charities. Your support will be much appreciated. Thank You.

Preston Cecilian Choral Society – Rossini Petite Messe Solennelle – **Saturday 29th November 2025** at 4pm at St Mary's Brownedge Church PR5 6SP – Tickets are £16 each and available from www.trybooking.co.uk/FHEZ - For more information please go to www.cecilians.org.uk. Tickets will also be on sale at the door.

Diocese seeks volunteers for new survivor-led safeguarding panel - The Diocese of Salford is looking for volunteers to join a new safeguarding panel, which seeks to ensure the voice of survivors plays an integral role in how we safeguard against all forms of Church-based abuse, and how we continue to provide meaningful support and healing to those affected. Details of all panellists will be confidential and volunteers can choose to engage anonymously. To find out more or to enquire about becoming a volunteer panellist, please contact the diocesan Department for Safeguarding by emailing safeguarding@dioceseofsalford.org.uk or calling 0161 817 2206. Read more at <https://dioceseofsalford.org.uk/survivors-panel-announced/>

World Day of the Poor - The ninth World Day of the Poor will be marked on Sunday 16 November. Our diocesan charity Caritas Salford has a range of resources, prayers, and other information to help us learn more about how we can support their work to end poverty in our diocese. For more information. Visit www.caritassalford.org.uk/resources

Universalis.com: Universalis is a website which provides the Mass texts and readings for each day of the year as well as the Liturgy of the Hours. Online it provides free texts for the upcoming 7 days. Buying the App gives full access. This QR Code will take you straight to the Mass Readings of the day:



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Be Still and Know that I am God, 14 - 17 November 2025 - A three-day retreat led by Fr Roger Dawson, SJ, aiming to help participants find a greater attentiveness and disposition to God's presence in their lives through a disciplining of the mind and awareness of the present moment.
<https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/be-still-and-know-that-i-am-god>

Ignatian Spiritual Exercises: Men's Retreats, 4-9 & 11-16 February 2026 - A fantastic opportunity to experience St Ignatius' Spiritual Exercises in a 5-day, shortened form. The retreat will be guided by the monastic community of St Joseph's Abbey, Flavigny (France), who were founded with the specific charism of offering this version of the Exercises and with a **particular apostolate to men**. The retreat is open to men in all states of life, who wish to seek God's will through a deepened detachment from the world.
<https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/mens-retreat-spiritual-exercises-of-st-ignatius>

Preston Retreat for Young Adults: Young adults (aged 16-35 or Year 10+) are invited to a one-day retreat at Corpus Christi High School in Preston on **Saturday 13th December from 9am - 9pm**. This jam-packed, one-day retreat promises to be a truly wonderful occasion, and offers the opportunity to encounter Jesus in the Eucharist, grow in relationship with Him and His Mother, and form friendships with other young adults from the local area. To register, please visit: <https://youth2000.churchsuite.com/events/s8vr6vf2>

Diocesan Synod Update - Calling Young Adults
As we continue the implementation stage of our Diocesan Synod, we're calling on young adults across the diocese to join one of a number of working groups that will explore how best to implement the recommendations of our Diocesan Synod. Join us 2-5pm on Sunday 23 November at Cathedral Centre, Salford (M3 6DP), for an introductory meeting. to find out more and to register. Email youth@dioceseofsalford.org.uk

Developing Parish Welcome Teams: The Diocese of Salford Synod 2025 recommends that: *"all parishes should retain and develop the welcome team as a feature of parish life"*. While we do have people at most of our Masses who act as welcomers, it would be good to increase the teams who do this and remind ourselves of the best way to do it. If you are willing to help with this ministry, give your name to one of the welcomers and we will arrange some guidance in the near future.

SLEAP – Support & Lodgings for Young People – Service of Thanksgiving at 3pm on **Sunday 16th November** at **Leyland Baptist Church** (247 Leyland Lane PR25 1XL) a small afternoon tea will; be served afterwards – please notify the SLEAP administrators of your intention to come along for catering purposes on 01772 623603 or via admin@skeap.co.uk

Year of Jubilee 2025:
Jubilee Visits in Salford Diocese: The Diocese have nominated six churches as places of pilgrimage in the Jubilee Year. This includes St Mary's Brownedge as a place of pilgrimage.



Jubilee Display: Please visit our Jubilee display in Our Lady's Transept in St Mary's Church; you can see some of the anchors and prayers prepared by our children; a candle for the jubilee which will be lit on special occasions during the year. Also the jubilee passport books which detail some of things to see in the six jubilee churches in Salford diocese.

Jubilee Votive Candles: These are available from the Jubilee display stand for £2 each and are good way to help our prayer time at home or perhaps to give to someone we are praying for. Put the money into the ordinary votive candle stands.

Jubilee Mascot: "Luce" is the mascot for the Jubilee and for our Children's Liturgy Group. Her name is the Italian for "Light" and she, like each of us, is a Pilgrim of Hope. She invites us all to walk as Pilgrims of Hope. **We now have a special Luce, knitted by Clare, one of our parishioners and she joined our parish pilgrimage and came with us so see so many amazing things in Rome. Clare has put together a fantastic account of the pilgrimage through the eyes of Luce and taken photos of her in all the places we visited. This lovely book is on our Jubilee display table. Many thanks to Clare for producing such a wonderful little book!**



Jubilee Church Guide: Thanks to David Gorman who has produced a short guide to St Mary's Church for visiting pilgrims. Also, Fr Mark has left copies of the prayers which pilgrims use when they go through the Holy Door of St Peter's. We can use them here when visiting the church.

Donations: Make an online Donation to support our parishes by scanning the QR codes below:



PLEASE PRAY FOR:

The sick, and those who care for them:

Sister Louise, Yvonne Jeffrey, Mary Bilsborough, Joseph O'Grady, Brian Morley, Jean Doran, Mick Green, Maureen Calderbank, Joseph Finch, Ruth Johnstone, Peter Clough, Geoffrey Thurman, Dominic McCormack.

All those who have died recently:

Richard Whalley, Anna Wignall (Foley), John Lever, Sean Lonergan.

Please Pray for the Sick and Housebound and for those who have asked for your Prayers.

Our Lady & St Gerard's Notices

Christmas Fair Raffle - Tickets are now on sale at the back of church at £1 per ticket and £5 per book. **Please take some books home** with you and sell them for us to relatives, friends and neighbours. Fabulous prizes as usual.

Christmas Fair - The Fair this year is on **Sunday 30th November in the Parochial Centre starting at 11:30 after the morning Mass.** The Fund Raising Group are appealing for donations of: Fancy Goods, Books, Tombola Prizes, Bottles for the Bottle Tombola and Soft Toys for the Toy Tombola. Cakes will be needed on the day.

Senior Citizens Christmas Party Invitation - **Saturday 22nd November** 2pm till 5pm – Parochial Hall Club – If you are over 60 and live in the Parish and would like to come along to the Christmas Party please get in touch with the parish office or there is a list at the back of Church for you to add your details to please.

Piety Shop - Our Piety Shop sells a varied selection of cards including Christmas cards which are now in stock along with other gifts on display. Please support us by coming in and having a look at what's on offer. Also we are now selling raffle tickets at 50 pence per strip to be drawn at the Christmas Fair. There will be three prizes and the proceeds will go to our church funds. Thank you for your continued support.

CARITAS - Many thanks to all those who signed the pledge cards for Caritas Salford last weekend to demand a future where no child is left behind. The cards have not yet been collected by the diocese so can still be signed and left in the envelope at the back of church. No need for your email or telephone number. Just a signature, house number and postcode is required. Margaret

WOOL APPEAL: Marina McNulty thanks everyone for your contributions for the double knit wool you may no longer need. Please continue as she knits for charities in the area. All colours gratefully received. Please leave in the Porch for collection.

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Offertory Procession: Next Sunday 9th November 9:30 am Mass: Farbon Family.

Cafod Harvest Family Fast Day - Thank you for donating to Cafod's Harvest Fast Day Appeal. Your generous donations of £485, with Gift Aid a total of £538, will help Ware' in Ethiopia and her community get safe water for their families. Well done everyone, your support is very much appreciated.

Due to ever increasing costs, there will be no hyacinth pots for sale this year. Thank you for your previous generosity and a big 'Thank You' to David and Mary for providing them over the past 12 years.

Donations: Many thanks for all your donations in support of the parish and some of the appeals we have had recently. The heating pipe has now been replaced, just before the cold of winter begins. Our Catholic churches rely almost solely on the generosity of those who attend. It is much appreciated.

Graveyard notice at St Mary's: Please note that there is new signage in the Graveyard regarding the use of memorial pots and glass containers on the Ashes memorial and graves.

Thank you to everyone who has been in touch regarding the fallen and dangerous Gravestones – These will be laid flat and made safe in the coming weeks.

Medal found: A very small medal has been found in the Withy Arms. It has an image of Our Lady on one side and one of St Patrick on the other. If it is yours, please contact the Parish office or the Withy Arms.

Churchyard Tidy Up: For the month of November it would be good if we could help to tidy up parts of the Churchyard. **Next Saturday morning from 10.30 - 12.30** volunteers are invite to come along and help; the edges of the paths need trimming, some bushes around the car park need cutting, fallen branches and leaves clearing up etc... Please bring any garden tools which may help. Any help that people can offer around the Church grounds at any time is always welcome. Many thanks.

W/C 1/11/25	This Weeks Intentions
Sanctuary	Yvonne Jeffrey

St Gerard's Parish Lottery No. 612 29/10/25			
1st	£100	68	Mrs C Poole
2nd	£40	77	Mrs A Bowman
3rd	£20	70	Mrs M Gregory

Offertory 18th / 19th October 2025			
Offertory Loose	£225.50		
Offertory Envelopes	£133.15		
Attendance	132		
Bingo Jackpots for 5/11/2025			
£26	£106	£37	£28

Mass Attendance: Our attendance last weekend	
7 pm Vigil	59
9:30 am	175
6:30 p.m..	64
Total	298

Sanctuary Lamps Week 2/11/25	
1	For James & Anne Whittle, Victor & Cecilia Fry & William, Catherine & John Morton
2	Prayers for Carole Sharples & her Family
3	In Memory of Ralph, Hilda & Tony Livesey
4	In Loving Memory of Marie Spicer - For the Spicer and Dowbakin Families