



St Mary's Brownedge

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11th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A) Week 10

14th June 2026

St Mary's, Brownedge			
Sat	13th Jun Vigil	9:30 am 7:00 pm	Holy Souls 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time The Parish
Sun	14th Jun	9:30 am 11:00 am 6:30 pm	11th Sunday in Ordinary Time Joseph Dolphin (Anniversary) Baptism of Rosie Crabb Agnes Crook (Anniversary)
Mon	15th Jun	9:30 am	Holland, Holiday & Espinosa Families
Tues	16th Jun	9:30 am 2:30 pm	St Richard of Chichester (OM) Holy Souls Funeral Service for Veronica Tipping R.I.P.
Wed	17th Jun	9:30 am	Teresa Davies R.I.P. Haydock Class Mass
Thurs	18th Jun	9.30 am	Livesey & Sheehan Families
Fri	19th Jun	9:30 am	St Romuald (OM) Fell & Bamford Families
Sat	20th Jun Vigil	9:30 am 7:00 pm	St Alban (OM) Thanksgiving for 90th Birthday of Mr Peter Waterhouse 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time William Derek Waring
Sun	21st Jun First Holy Communion	9:30 am 6:30 pm	12th Sunday in Ordinary Time Margaret Livesey Betty Sumner

St Gerard's, Lostock Hall			
Sat	13th Jun Vigil	5:30 pm	11th Sunday in Ordinary Time Sacred Heart Guild
Sun	14th Jun First Holy Communion	10:30 am 12:15 pm	11th Sunday in Ordinary Time Holy Souls Baptism of Ruby Murphy
Mon	15th Jun	6:00 pm 6:30 pm	Exposition Holy Souls
Tues	16th Jun	9.15 am	St Richard of Chichester (OM) Priests Intentions
Wed	17th Jun	12 noon	Requiem Mass for Margaret Hobson R.I.P.
Thurs	18th Jun	6:30 pm	Holy Souls
Fri	19th Jun		St Romuald (OM) NO SERVICES
Sat	20th Jun Vigil	5:30 pm	St Alban (OM) 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time The Parish
Sun	21st Jun	10:30 am 12 noon	12th Sunday in Ordinary Time Teresa Florence & Gerard Francis Porter Baptism of Cassiopeia Bullen

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.

Prayers For Salford Diocese

This week we pray for the parish of the Nativity, Failsworth and Limeside, and for Canon Michael Job, their parish priest, and Fr. Celestine Nyikwagh, and for their parish primary schools.

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.

Joint Notices

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

We return to the rhythm of our readings of Ordinary Time after a series of seasons and feasts. Today is about God choosing people: we hear how Jesus chooses twelve men to reflect the twelve tribes of Israel, the whole people of God. The first reading tell us how the people of Israel were chosen by God, to be his own people. And having chosen a people, God does not abandon them: The Father sends them the Good Shepherd, who feels sorry for them, and entrusts his disciples with the task of giving them new heart. The same God has chosen us, and gives us the same Shepherd. But we must be careful to take to ourselves the call of Jesus: we must pray for labourers to give new heart to the lost sheep of our society. We must always remember that we are all his chosen people

CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION: Thank you to everyone who attended our procession last Sunday. It was a great success and we pray for many graces of the Eucharist to be imparted.

Supporting our Parish Finances: Salford Diocese has asked St Mary's Brownedge to pilot a programme to inform people of the financial cost of running our parishes; this will help to make us more aware of the needs of our parishes and foster a deeper sense of responsibility for meeting those needs. The third leaflet is "Our Financial Report". Please take home a copy of this with you and consider how you might be able to help:

- ***Give a little more each week to help with the cost of inflation;***
- ***Create a Standing Order or use offertory envelopes;***
- ***Gift Aid any money you give to the Church if you pay tax;***
- ***Give via contactless card machine;***
- ***Leave a legacy in your will;***
- ***Consider acting as a benefactor with a large donation if you find you are in a position to do so;***
- ***Help raise £32,000 for our Spire repairs.***

Spire Fundraising Meeting: There will be a meeting to discuss ideas to raise funds for essential maintenance work on the clocktower and spire of St Mary's Brownedge. This will be on Tuesday **16th June at 7pm** in the Narthex. Please be considering ideas of how we can raise money. We need to raise £32,000 for the repair work.

Month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus: June is traditionally the month when we remember the great Catholic devotion to the Sacred Heart. The Feast Day varies each year as it is dependent on the date of Easter and Pentecost: as Corpus Christi follows on the Thursday after Trinity Sunday (relating it Maundy Thursday), thus, the feast of Sacred Heart falls eight days after that on the 2nd Friday after Trinity—Friday relating in to the love Our Lord showed for us on Good Friday. This year this great solemnity is on Friday 12th June. Why not light a candle at our Sacred Heart Altar.

Recommendations for Spiritual Reading: There are many websites which offer good Catholic reading and reflection. A particularly fine one is [CHRISTIAN ART | Daily Gospel Reading & Art Reflection](#)

This lovely website offers a unique approach to daily Gospel readings. Each day, they select a work of art relevant to the day's scripture passage and offer a short reflection on the two.

Written by Fr Patrick van der Vorst a Catholic priest for the Diocese of Westminster, London and a former Director of Sotheby's London, Christian Art's mission is to draw people closer to God through the magnificent pairing of art and the Christian faith. You can subscribe to receive email each day with the gospel of the day and a work of art. It could be a very good aid to prayer and an insight into the scriptures, especially for those people who find art helpful in stimulating our hearts and minds.

Eucharistic Ministers – Our parishes are inviting volunteers to serve as Eucharistic Ministers, particularly those who can visit the sick and housebound. This is a meaningful and prayerful ministry within our community. If you feel called to serve in this way, we would love to hear from you - please contact the parish office today to find out more or to get involved.

Prayer Group / Scripture Study Group: We have had several enquiries recently about prayer groups. If anyone is interested in this or might help to start up a group, even just by coming along, please get in touch with Fr Mark. A small group of leaders would share the load and help to facilitate it better.

Lark Hill Association - 125th Anniversary Celebration **Saturday 27th June 2026** Mass in the chapel at Lark Hill (Newman College) at 12 noon followed by a light buffet lunch. (£10) For further details please contact Janet Metcalf 07713300192 or janet.metcalf53@icloud.com To help with the catering please book no later than Saturday 13th June. The college will be open from 11.30 am.

Newsletter deadlines - Notices for the newsletter each week should in the case of St Gerards be with the office before noon on Thursdays. For St Mary's these should be with the office before 3 pm. This will ensure that they are included in that weeks notices. Anything received after these time MAY get in but it is not guaranteed. This allows for production, checking and printing on Friday before the office closes for the weekend. Thank you.

Visit of the relics of St Gerard Majella: The Redemptorist Fathers are celebrating the 300th anniversary of the birth of St Gerard's with a tour of the UK to honour his relics. The Lancaster Diocesan visit takes place this month and will be in Preston on **Friday 19th June at St Joseph's, Preston** (PR1 5UQ). Veneration from 5.30pm followed by Mass at 6.30pm. After Mass there will be an opportunity to be blessed with the relics. The final visit of the UK tour will be at our own **Parish of St Gerards in Lostock Hall Friday 27th November. Further details nearer the time.**

Joint Notices

Caritas - Accessibility Coordinator: To help ensure our churches are physically accessible to all, Rushani Merina has kindly taken on the role of Accessibility Coordinator at St Mary's. If you know of anyone who would like to attend church but is unable to, please contact Rushani at merinarushani@gmail.com so support can be arranged where possible. If anyone is willing to take on this role at St Gerard's, please speak to or contact Margaret Cronin. Questionnaires are still available at the back of both churches.

Parish Care for Creation Guide: Salford Diocese has developed this guide to support our parish communities in responding to the call to care for our common home. The guide offers practical guidance for every stage of our parish's journey—from getting started and improving energy use, to deeper engagement through living and praying *Laudato Si'*. Only a limited number have been printed but you can access the full guide via the parish websites or online here: <https://laudatosicentre.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2026/02/Parish-Guide.pdf>

London to Brighton Bike Ride - This summer, Rick, Keren and Archie Henderson from St Gerard's are taking on the London to Brighton Bike Ride in support of **Caritas Diocese of Salford**. On 21st June, they'll join thousands of cyclists riding from London to Brighton, tackling countryside miles and the challenging Ditchling Beacon climb before finishing by the coast. Donate here: <https://tinyurl.com/2afmx937>. Thank you to everyone who has already supported them—your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Day of Renewal Talk - Led by Philip McParland – 'Love not Fear - The good news of Jesus' on Saturday 27th June 10am till 4pm at St Clares Church Parish Hall, Sharoe Green Lane, Fulwood, Preston PR2 9HH – Contact Christine for more info Christine - 07745 009694

Pilgrimage to Rome and Assisi:

This year is the 800th anniversary of the death of St Francis. Some people have shown interest in going to Assisi in this memorial year. Northern Star Travel have put together a package for us to see what interest there might be in this: **Monday 2nd November to Sunday 8th November**. Flights from Manchester; First three nights near Rome at the English College Villa, Palazzola with a day into Rome for a General Audience with Pope Leo; Other visits either into Rome or maybe taking the opportunity to visit Subiaco or Monte Cassino—both great abbeys associated with St Benedict. The exact itinerary will be firmed up when we know if there is enough interest. We will spend three nights in Assisi visiting the great shrines of St Francis and St Clare as well the tomb of the newly canonised, St Carlo Acutis. A further possibility for the itinerary is a visit to Greccio on our journey from Rome to Assisi where St Francis created the first nativity scene. Also, the shrine of St Rita in Cascia and the birthplace of St Benedict and St Scholastica in Norcia are within just over an hour from Assisi so we will try to visit them. The cost will be £1249 per person sharing or £1499 for a single room (limited numbers).

The provisional programme is available at the back of church. Please register your interest with the parish office: office@stmarysbrowndedge.org.uk 01772 335168. Further information is available from Fr Mark or from Adrian Duffy at Northern Star Travel: info@northernstartravel.com 0161 773 2115

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

The sick, and those who care for them:

Sister Louise, Yvonne Jeffrey,
Joseph O'Grady, Brian Morley, Jean Doran, Maureen Calderbank,
Joseph Finch, Peter Clough, Eileen McLaughlin, Marie Davis, Anne May,
Anne Gill, Yumi & Yuni Aston, Glenis Allen, Roger Hardacre

All those who have died recently:

Stella Marie Hollibone, Francis Brian Nelson, Teresa Jean Smith, Kane
Luke Bolton, Pamela Spencer, Veronica Tipping, Edmund Crighton,
Monica Clarkson

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



MARRIAGE MATTERS

"Feed your love"

Without food we die! Our wedding promise was to nourish each other so that we bring life to our marriage. We feed each other in all the little countless ways, but particularly in our tender lovemaking, our talking and listening, support and encouragement, particularly in times of doubt and uncertainty. In these ways our marriage will grow and shine.

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:



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

Our Lady & St Gerard's Notices

Summer Fair - Please make a note in your diaries that our **Summer Fair** will take place on **Sunday 28th June, starting at 11:30 am**. We hope to see as many of you there as possible for what promises to be a fun and enjoyable day for everyone.

First Holy Communion: The 2nd of three cohorts of children will be making their First Holy Communion this Sunday 14th June at 10.30 am Mass. Please welcome them and their families, especially any visitors who may be joining us.

Summer Fair Raffle—Tickets for the raffle will go on sale from **Saturday 6th June**. We would be very grateful for any donations to support the raffle—prizes of any kind are welcome and help make the event a success. We are also looking for suitable items for our **Bingo stall** and **Tombola**, as well as donations of **books** and other good-quality items. Your support really helps us make the fair bigger and better each year. Thank you in advance for your generosity and support—we couldn't do it without you!

New Sanctuary Carpet: If anyone would like to make a donation to raise funds to carpet the remainder of the church it would be appreciated. We are still waiting for an estimated cost for this, when it arrives you may wish to sponsor a square metre or two!!

Piety Shop - Now have a selection of First Holy Communion and Confirmation gifts on display along with a variety of symbolic cards and money gift wallets.

Recently Deceased - Please pray for the soul of Margaret Irene Hobson whose Requiem Mass is on Wednesday 17th June at 12 noon and for Gloria Duffell who Requiem is on Wednesday 24th June at 11:30 am. May they Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory.

Fr Xavier: Please keep Fr Xavier in your prayers. The Archbishop of Liverpool has asked him to move from St Gregory's in Chorley to the Blessed Sacrament Parish in Aintree. Also we remember his sister, Maria Ho Thi Xuan who died recently in Vietnam.

Cleaner Required - We have been asked to see if we can find a reliable and trusted cleaner for one of our parishioners. If you have anyone in mind please contact the office with details.

W/C 14/06/26		This Weeks Intentions	
Sanctuary		Yvonne Jeffrey	
Offertory 6th / 7th June 2026			
Loose	Envelopes	Total Attendance	
£313.70	£158.17		
Bingo Jackpots for 17/06/2026			
£33	£41	£64	£38

St Mary's Brownedge Notices

Catenians: St Mary's Brownedge is blessed to have have Presidents of two different Catenian Circles this year, Michael Taylor, of Preston South Circle, and Andrew Wygladala of South Ribble Circle. Today is "Presidents' Sunday" when circle members join their Presidents at their Parish Sunday Mass, so we welcome all Catenians here today at our 9.30am Mass.

Offertory Procession: Next Sunday 14th June 9:30 am Mass: Worcester Family.

Cafod Thank You - Many thanks to all who supported our recent coffee morning and raffle which raised £193. From the buckets, donations, jewellery and goods on the Cafod stall £132

Last year we signed petitions to tackle the Global Debt Crisis when over 35,000 people stood in solidarity with low income countries by signing the petition. The petition is about the debt crisis affecting 54 countries, we have achieved a lot and need to carry on. We are asked to build on last year's progress by signing this new petition which we will do at the July coffee morning and over masses at a weekend in July. Many thanks for your support.

200 Club: The 200 Club continues to support the Parish in a really good and fun way. Last week a donation of £4000 was presented to Father Mark for the Church Spire repairs appeal on behalf of the 200 Club. Many thanks to our organisers, Kathryn and Sandra who do such a wonderful job. Please consider joining the 200 Club—just £1 per week.

Recently Deceased - Please pray for the souls of Veronica Tipping whose funeral is on Tuesday 16th June at 2:30pm and for Monica Clarkson whose funeral is on Wednesday 24^h June at 1:30 pm. May they Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory.

Offertory Collection - Please check coinage before placing them in the envelopes or in the offertory baskets as unfortunately we still get euro's and other foreign coins on a regular basis and these cause blockages in the counting equipment. Thank you.

200 Club Lottery		May 2026	
1 st Prize - £200	No 51	Glyn Watson	
2 nd Prize - £100	No 190	Peter Dowbakin	
3 rd Prize - £50	No 325	Marie Craven	
Sanctuary Lamps Week 14/06/26			
1	For Frank & Mary Taylor		
2	For Teresa Taylor & Mary Alice Hilton & Theresa Hilton		
Mass Attendance: Our Attendance last weekend			
7 pm Vigil	9:30 am	6:30 pm	Total
80	200	55	335