

# ST PETER'S CHURCH

(with St Joseph's, Hurst Green)

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THE NEWSLETTER

Eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year C)

Mass Schedule

Date	Time	Mass Intentions	Feast
Sa 1 <sup>st</sup> Mar	5.30pm St P's	Isabelle McNeil L	Vigil of the 8 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of OT (Year C)
Su 2 <sup>nd</sup>	9.30am St J's	For the Parish	8 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year C)
	11.00am St P's	For the Stonyhurst Community	
Mo 3 <sup>rd</sup>	No Mass		Weekday in Ordinary Time (week 8)
Tu 4 <sup>th</sup>	8.00am St P's	John Whittaker L	Weekday in Ordinary Time
We 5 <sup>th</sup>	8.30am SMH	For the school	ASH WEDNESDAY
	11.00am St P's	Ash Service for the parish	
	2.00pm St J's	For the School	
Th 6 <sup>th</sup>	No Mass		Thursday after Ash Wednesday
Fr 7 <sup>th</sup>	8.00am St P's	Patricia Ashley (LN)	Friday after Ash Wednesday

(Each Saturday there are confessions and a Holy Hour from 4.30pm with Benediction at 5.15pm)

L = Lately Dead, A = Anniversary of Death, R = Remembrance M = Martyr, V = Virgin, B = Bishop, Pp = Pope

P = Personal Intention, S = Sick, B = Birthday F = Founders Mass D = Doctor, P = Priest, R = Religious

**Please pray for the following, the anniversary of whose deaths occur at this time** Hannah Platt, Teresa Nutter, Mary Arrowsmith, Lawrence Edwards, Henry Holden, Margaret Mary Thistlethwaite and Hannah Bretherton. *May they rest in the peace of the Lord.*

Readings at Mass

	8 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent (Year c)
First	Eccl 17; 20 – 24	Deut 46; 4 – 10
Second	1 Cor 15; 54 – 58	Rom 10; 8 – 13
Gospel	Luke 6; 39 – 49	Luke 4; 1 – 13

**Diocesan Website:**

<http://www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk>

for information on our Diocese and what is happening.

**Prayers please**

Let us remember our Pope, Pope Francis, who still remains in a critical condition. May God grant him health and strength.

**Praying with the Pope in March 2025**

**For families in crisis**

Let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, discovering each other's gifts, even in their differences.

Look at [www.ThePopeVideo.org](http://www.ThePopeVideo.org) for more information



*If one blind man leads another, both will fall into the pit.*

## **This Sunday**

Is the 8<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time. In the gospel Jesus asks if one blind man can guide another? This is the last Sunday in ordinary time until after Pentecost as Lent begins on Wednesday.

## **1<sup>st</sup> Communion Programme**

The next session is today at 8.40am in St Joseph's. Please keep these children in your prayers.

## **Pupils back**

This weekend our boarders will once more join us for Benediction at 5.15pm on Saturday, and for Mass at 11am on Sunday.

## **Salford Synod final session**

This took place yesterday (Saturday) where proposals put forward by the parishes were voted on. A full report in next week's newsletter.

## **Synod Service of Thanksgiving**

There is a Service of thanksgiving today at St Patrick's RC Church, Livesey Street, Collyhurst, Manchester, M4 5HF beginning at 3pm.

## **Lenten Resolutions**

With Lent just round the corner, it is an opportunity for us to think about how we can tone up our spiritual lives during these six weeks. Of course, it is up to each individual to decide what to do, but please consider some extra prayer, coming to the Stations of the Cross or coming to an extra morning Mass?

## **Lenten resources**

Please find at the back of the church some resources to help you through Lent.

- \* Day by Day booklet
- \* Walk with me booklet
- \* A Lenten calendar

Please help yourself.

## **Ash Wednesday**

Is this Wednesday coming. Parishioners can receive Ashes at:

- 8.30am Mass in St Mary's Hall
- 11.00am Ash Service in St Peter's
- 2.00pm Mass in St Joseph's

## **Ashes for the housebound**

If you wish to take ashes to someone who can't come to church, you will find some ashes and a sheet telling you how to do this at the back of the church.

## **Stations of the Cross**

Take place every Friday during Lent. As last year we will alternate between St Peter's and the St Joseph's chapel. This Friday they will be in St Peter's at 7pm

## **Next Sunday**

Is the first Sunday of Lent. As Jesus is praying in the desert for 40 days and 40 nights he is tempted three times by the devil.

## **Sick and Retires Priests of the Salford Diocese**

There will be a second collection next weekend for the sick and retired priests of the diocese.

## **Coffee Stop Special**

The Coffee Stop on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> March will be a special with Soup and Sandwiches from 1pm. This time we will be in the Memorial Hall. Proceeds to Zarach, a local children's charity.

## **The future of the Bayley Arms Pub**

There is currently a group of villagers who are trying to raise funds to turn the Bayley Arms into a Community Pub. A new website coming soon.

## **Ornaments on graves**

With the commencement of the grass cutting season, could Parishioners please recycle/ remove ornaments from the graves of their loved ones in St Joseph's cemetery.

## **Lenten Course organised by St John's**

Fr Brian McConkey of St John's Anglican Church is organising a course on different types of prayer. Our parishioners are welcome to take part:

\*Monday 10th March 7.30pm: *Silence in Prayer*

Theodore House Chapel led by Fr Tim Curtis

\*Monday 17th March 7.30pm: Feast of St Patrick, held in Whalley Abbey *Celtic Prayer* led by Revd Brian McConkey

\*Monday 24th March 7.30pm: *Poetry and Prayer* Led by Jean Johnson. Held in Mitton Balcony

\*Monday 31st March 7.30pm: *Praying with Creation* Led by Revd Ness Starkie. In Stydd Church

\*Monday 7th April 6.30pm: *Sensory Prayer* Led by Revd Mike Kirby. Held at the Ribchester Arms. (One sensory experience is taste so there will be a simple meal). Please let Revd Brian know if you wish to come to any of these talks: 0797374