

# ST PETER'S CHURCH

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**THE NEWSLETTER**

**Third Sunday of Lent (Year B)**

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## Mass Schedule

Date	Time	Mass Intentions	Feast
Sa 2 <sup>nd</sup>	5.30pm St P's	Teresa Nutter A	Vigil of 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent (Year B)
Su 3 <sup>rd</sup>	9.30am St J's	For the Parish	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent (Year B)
	11.00am St P's	For the Stonyhurst Community	
M 4 <sup>th</sup>	No Mass		Weekday in Lent (Week 3)
Tu 5 <sup>th</sup>	8.00am St P's	Patrick Borzuta A	Weekday in Lent
W 6 <sup>th</sup>	8.00am St P's	John Michael Kilburn L	Weekday in Lent
Th 7 <sup>th</sup>	8.30am SMH	For the School	Weekday in Lent
F 8 <sup>th</sup>	8.00am St P's	Terry Bowman L (CP)	Weekday in Lent

(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, Hannah Bretherton, Ann Holden, Peter O'Toole and Jeremy (Jem) Grout-Smith *May they rest in the peace of the Lord.*

## Readings at Mass

	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent (Year B)	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent
First	Exod 20; 1 – 17	2 Chron 36; 14 – 16, 19 - 23
Second	I Cor 1; 22 – 25	Eph 2; 4 - 10
Gospel	John 2; 13 - 25	John 3; 14 - 21

## Diocesan Website:

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

for information on our Diocese and what is happening.

## Prayers Please

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Joseph (Keith) Cross who died in the week. Please keep his family in your prayers as well. The funeral will take place in St Peter's at 11am on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March.

## Praying with the Pope in March 2024

### For New Martyrs

Let us pray for those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world might imbue the Church with their courage and missionary drive.

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



*Stop turning my Father's house into a market*

### **This Sunday**

Is the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent. In the gospel John tells us how Jesus drives out the merchants from the temple.

### **Sacramental Programme**

Continues today at 8.40am in St Joseph's, and continues for the rest of the term. Please keep these children in your prayers.

### **Reception**

One of the children preparing for First Holy Communion was baptised in another Christian rite. She will be received as a full member of the Catholic Church at the 9.30am Mass this Sunday.

### **Stations of the Cross**

Take place in St Joseph's at 7pm on Friday. The following week will be St Peter's. All welcome.

### **Next Sunday**

Is the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent, sometimes called *Laetare Sunday*. The priest wears rose vestments as a sign of rejoicing that we have reached the mid-point of Lent. In the gospel Jesus tells Nicodemus that the Son of Man must be lifted up.

### **Mothering Sunday**

Next Sunday is also Mothering Sunday, where we pray for all of our mums, both living and dead.

### **Novena to St Joseph**

The feast of St Joseph falls on the 19<sup>th</sup> March. Some people like to make a novena of prayer to St Joseph. This will begin next Sunday. A prayer card will be available at the back of the church for those who want to make the novena.

### **Ramadan begins**

The holy month of Ramadan begins next Sunday. Our Muslim brothers and sisters begin their month of fasting on that day.

### **Tree felling in the cemetery**

Please take care when visiting our cemetery. Some trees have been felled, but it is a work in progress. Also, if you have a Christmas wreath on your loved one's grave, please remove it. The mowing season is about to begin.

### **Food Bank**

For many years our parish has supported a foodbank in Blackburn. They are really grateful for our support. Perhaps during Lent you could make it part of your fast to donate an extra item to the foodbank. This ticks off two of our Lenten goals: fasting and almsgiving. If you pray for those receiving your gift you score three out of three.

### **Coffee Stop Special**

The next Coffee Stop is a *Coffee Stop Special* in aid of the Maryvale young persons accommodation. It will be a soup and sandwich lunch on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March at the earlier time of 1pm. It takes place in the Memorial (Village) Hall. All Welcome.

### **Chrism Mass**

Takes place at St Patrick's, Collyhurst, on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March at 11am. Fr Tim has some tickets if anyone would like to attend.

### **Suggestions of things to give up for Lent (CAFOD)**

Give up harsh words: use generous ones.  
Give up unhappiness: take up gratitude.  
Give up anger: take up gentleness and patience.  
Give up pessimism: take up hope and optimism.  
Give up worrying: take up trust in God.  
Give up complaining: value what you have.  
Give up stress: take up prayer.  
Give up judging others: discover Jesus within them.  
Give up sorrow and bitterness: fill your heart with joy.  
Give up selfishness: take up compassion for others.  
Give up being unforgiving: learn reconciliation.  
Give up words: fill yourself with silence, and listen to others.

