

ST PETER'S CHURCH

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THE NEWSLETTER

Fourth Sunday of Lent (Year B)

(Laetare Sunday)

Mass Schedule

Date	Time	Mass Intentions	Feast
Sa 9 th	5.30pm St P's	Jeremy (Jem) Grout-Smith A	Vigil of 4 th Sunday of Lent (Year B)
Su 10 th	9.30am St J's	For the Parish	4 th Sunday of Lent (Year B)
	11.00am St P's	For the Stonyhurst Community	
M 11 th	No Mass		Weekday in Lent (Week 4)
Tu 12 th	8.00am St P's	Con Naylor L	Weekday in Lent
W 13 th	8.00am St P's	Francis Cone L	Weekday in Lent
Th 14 th	8.30am SMH	For the School	Weekday in Lent
F 15 th	8.00am St P's	Alva MacInnes L	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. Fr Thomas Smalley SJ and Francis Riding, *May they rest in the peace of the Lord.*

Readings at Mass

	4 th Sunday of Lent (Year A)	5 th Sunday of Lent
First	2 Chron 36; 14 - 16, 19 - 23	Eze37; 12 - 14k
Second	Eph 2; 4 - 10	Rom 8, 8 - 11
Gospel	John 3; 14 - 21	John 11; 1 - 14

Diocesan Website:

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

for information on our Diocese and what is happening.

Prayers Please

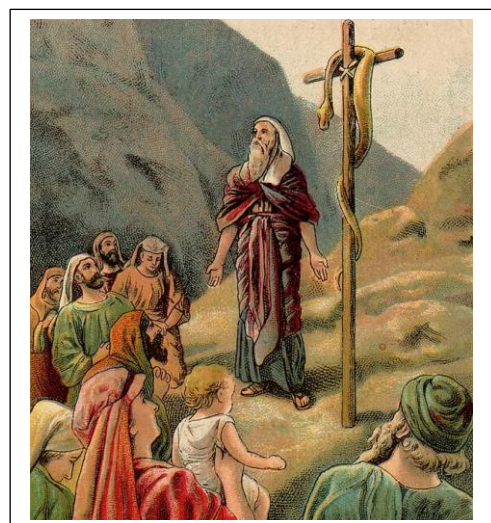
Please pray for the repose of the soul of Joseph (Keith) Cross and keep his family in your prayers as well. The funeral will take place in St Peter's on Tuesday at 11am followed by an interment in St Joseph's Cemetery.

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 for more information



The Son of Man must be lifted up

This Sunday

Is the 4th 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

Today 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 19th March. Some people like to make a novena of prayer to St Joseph. This begins **today**. A prayer sheet is available at the back of the church for those who want to make the novena.

Ramadan begins

The holy month of Ramadan begins today. Our Muslim brothers and sisters begin their month of fasting. Let's keep them in our prayers.

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.

Coffee Stop Special

Takes place at 1pm (note new time) on Thursday in the Memorial (Village) Hall. It is a soup and sandwich lunch with donations in aid of the Maryvale Young Person's Accommodation. All welcome.

Stations of the Cross

Take place in St Peter's at 7pm on Friday. The following week will be St Joseph's. Numbers have been very good this year. All welcome.

Next Sunday

Is the 5th Sunday of Lent. In the gospel Jesus tells us that his hour of glorification is at hand.

Boarders at Vigil Mass

Next Sunday the Stonyhurst and SMH boarders will be coming to the 5.30pm Vigil Mass. This means that the 11am Sunday Mass will be a quiet one.

Fr Peter Scally moving on

Fr Peter (and Penny) will soon be moving on. We are very grateful for their contribution to parish life over the last 6 months. We will mark this departure by sharing in some tea and cake after the 9.30am Mass next Sunday in the Primary School dining room. All welcome.

Tree felling in the cemetery

Please take care when visiting our cemetery. Tree felling is still in progress. Also, if you have a 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.

Chrism Mass

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

Holy Week Retreat (Speaker: Fr Timothy Radcliff OP)

Takes place from Thursday 28th March to Sunday 31st March. Accommodation is almost completely booked. Parishioners are welcome to come to all of the services. You don't need to do anything about this. You can also come to the talks for free, but you need to register for this with *Stonyhurst Experience*. To come to all of the meals as well, there is a charge of £50 for this, and again you have to register.

A prayer for Lent

*Come, my Light,
and illumine my darkness.*

*Come, my Life,
and revive me from death.*

*Come, my Physician,
and heal my wounds.*

*Come, Flame of divine love,
and burn up the thorns of my sins,
kindling my heart
with the flame of thy love.*

Dimitrii of Rostov