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THE NEWSLETTER

Feast of the Baptism of the Lord (Year C)

Mass Schedule

Date		Time		Mass Intentions	Feast
Sa	11 th	5.30pm S	St P's	Elizabeth Beryl Soh L	Vigil of the Baptism of the Lord (Yr C)
Su	12 th	9.30am S	St J's	For the Parish	Feast of the Baptism of the Lord (Yr C)
		11.00am S	St P's	For the Stonyhurst Community	
Мо	13 th	No Mass			Weekday in Ordinary Time (week 1)
Tu	14 th	8.00am S	St P's	Special Intention VS	Weekday in Ordinary Time (week 1)
Wed	15 th	8.00am S	St P's	Nick Brown (For health)	Weekday in Ordinary Time (week 1)
Th	16 th	8.30am SN	МН	For the school	Weekday in Ordinary Time (week 1)
Fr	17 th	8.00am St	t P's	Robert Ward Hodkinson L	St Anthony, Abbot

(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
P = Personal Intention, S = Sick, B = Birthday F = Founders Mass

M = Martyr, V = Virgin, B = Bishop, Pp = Pope

D = Doctor, P = Priest, R = Religious

Please pray for the following, the anniversary of whose deaths occur at this time Rupert Wilkinson, Kevin O'Hara, Brenda Ross, Alice Wilkinson, Kathleen Hayhurst, Joseph Smith and Teresa Craven. May they rest in the peace of the Lord.

Readings at Mass

	The Baptism of the Lord (C)	2 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time				
First	Isaiah 40; 1 – 5	Isaiah 62; 1 – 5				
Second	Titus 2; 11 – 14	I Cor 12; 4 – 11				
Gospel	Luke 3; 15 – 16, 21 – 22	John 2; 1 - 11				

Diocesan Website:

http://www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk

for information on our Diocese and what is happening.

Praying with the Pope in January 2025 For a right to an education

Let us pray for migrants, refugees and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, might always be respected.

Look at <u>www.ThePopeVideo.org</u> for more information



And a voice came from heaven "you are my beloved Son"

This Sunday

Is the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. After 30 years "hidden" in Nazareth, Jesus begins his public ministry by being baptised by his cousin, John, in the waters of the Jordan.

The Messenger

Please take the January issue from the back of the church.

Back to school

All of our pupils are now back to school. The boarders will be joining us for the Saturday 5.15pm Benediction and the Sunday 11am Mass.

Holy Hour for Vocations

English Martyrs, Whalley, is hosting a Holy Hour to pray for Vocations to the priesthood. Next Thursday at 6pm. Please come and pray.

Week of prayer for Christian Unity

Begins on Friday. The theme is "Do you believe this?" (John 11, 26). Jesus told his disciples that anyone who believed in him would never die, then asked if they believed this. The materials have been prepared by a monastic community in Northern Italy. See prayer in next column.

Next Sunday

Is the second Sunday of Ordinary Time. The gospel reminds us of the first miracle of Jesus – how he turned water into wine at the wedding feast at Cana.

Caritas Sunday

Next Sunday Fran Duxbury will make an appeal at Mass for the work of Caritas Salford. Envelopes are available at the back of the church for this.

Website stats

Over the Christmas week 6,000 people accessed the parish website. Of these 176 opened the Newsletter page.

Coffee Stop Update

Sadly, last Thursday's Coffee Stop had to be cancelled at short notice as the pavements in Hurst Green were too icy. The next one will be on Thursday 23rd January at 1.30pm in the Bowling Green Pavilion.

Jubilee Year 2025

2025 is a "Jubilee" year, a year of special grace for the Church. The church of St Peter's has been designated as a place of pilgrimage for the Diocese of Salford.



It is open for private prayer from early in the morning until the evening. We hope to welcome pilgrims from all over the diocese as they come to pray in our church. We have the opportunity to visit other churches as well. Let's journey in hope.

Provincial Visitation

The Provincial will be visiting SMH, Stonyhurst and St Joseph's at the end of January. He has asked to meet the Parish. We will organise a "Parish Tea" in Fr Tim's house on Friday 31st January at 3.45pm. Please keep the date free.

The Parish in Numbers

During 2024 we celebrated:

	2023	2024
Baptisms	37	22
Receptions	5	4
1 st Communions	34	28
Confirmations	32	23
Weddings	18	13
Funerals	12	4

Our young people from the Parish were confirmed in Langho, so they are not represented in our statistics.

The prayer for the week of Christian Unity is: (Please pray this prayer every day from Friday until 25th January)

God our Father, accept our praise and thanksgiving for what already unites Christians in the confession of and witness to Jesus the Lord. Hasten the hour when all churches will recognise each other in the one communion you willed and for which your Son prayed to you in the power of the Holy Spirit. Hear us, you who live and reign now and forever. Amen