ST PETER'S CHURCH

(with St Joseph's, Hurst Green)

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THE NEWSLETTER

Third Sunday of Advent (Year B)

Mass Schedule for this week

Date	9	Time	Mass Intentions	Feast
Sa	12 th	5.30pm St P's	Finn and Finley (1 st H/C)	Vigil of 3 nd Sunday of Advent
Su	13^{th}	9.30am St P's	Jacob and Freddy (1 st H/C)	3 nd Sunday of Advent
		11.00am St P's	Mary E Leach A	
М	14^{th}	NO Mass		St John of the Cross PD
Т	15 th	8.00am St P's	Andy Holgate (For Health)	Weekday of Advent (Week 3)
W	16 th	8.00am St P's	Haworth & Seed families RIP	Weekday of Advent
Th	17 th	NO MASS	Nigel Pearson (For Health)	Weekday of Advent
F	18^{th}	8.00am St P's	Fr Michael O Brien A	Weekday of Advent

(The church is open for Adoration from 4.30pm on Saturday 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. Dr Stanley Devlin, Mary Armstrong, Leonard Mercer, Stephen John Eccles, Richard Embery, Geoff Wilcock, Catherine Tones, Mary Hughes, Josephine (Josie) Holden, Eileen Louisa Ahearne and John Wilkinson.. May they rest in the peace of the Lord.

Readings at Mass

	3 rd Advent (Year B)	4th Advent (Year B)
First	Isaiah 61; 1-2, 10-11	2 Sam 7; 1-5, 8 -12, 14, 16
Second	I Thess 5; 16-24	Rom 16; 25 - 27
Gospel	John 1; 6-8, 19 - 28	Luke 1; 26-38

Diocesan Website:

http://www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk for information on our Diocese and what is happening.

Praying with the Pope in December 2020 We pray that our personal relationship with Jesus Christ be nourished by the Word of God through private prayer.

Look at www.ThePopeVideo.org for more information



Rejoice! We can now gather again for collective worship. The rules are the same as before lockdown:

Saturday

4.30pm to 5.15pm Exposition Confessions will be available5.15pm Benediction

- **5.15pm** Benediction
- 5.30pm Mass in St Peter's

Sunday

9.30am Mass in St Peter's

11.00am Mass in St Peter's

With the college and SMH on their Christmas vacation, parishioners can now attend the 11am Sunday Mass in St Peter's.

Sadly, for the time being, we cannot celebrate Mass in St Joseph's.

Coming to St Peter's for Mass or private prayer:

- + Do not come to church if you are unwell, selfisolating or shielding or returning from a country where you have to shield
- + You should wear a face covering
- + Observe the one way system
- + Observe social distancing
- + Any printed materials you touch (Newsletters etc) place in a bin or take home with you.

If you are driving, you will need to buzz security at the white gates.

This Sunday

Is the Third Sunday of Advent, also called Gaudete or Rejoicing Sunday. We light the rose Advent candle and wear rose vestments. Two children will be making their first Holy Communion at the 5.30pm Saturday Vigil Mass and 2 more at the 9.30am Sunday Mass. The 11am Mass will be open to parishioners. The Gospel, from John, explores further the ministry of John the Baptist.

Fr Tim's availability

If you need to contact Fr Tim, please leave a message on the parish phone line.

Weekday Masses

Take place on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday at 8.00am in St Peter's.

Feasts this week

Monday is the feast of St John of the Cross, a Spanish Carmelite mystic. He wrote about the bride (the soul) searching for the groom (Christ).

Next Sunday

Is the 4th Sunday of Advent, signifying that Christmas is very near. The gospel story is the account of the Annunciation where Mary is invited to be the mother of the savior.

Food bank

The foodbank in Blackburn that we support has made an appeal for specific items in short supply: Tinned meat, long-life fruit juice, tinned vegetables or puddings, shampoo, baby wipes and washing up liquid. Thanks for your generosity.

Newsletter

These are available in St Peter's whenever the church is open. If you would like one to be delivered to your home, *please let Fr Tim know*.

Materials available at the back of the church:

The December issue of the *Messenger Magazine*, a special Advent issue of the *Come Follow Me* booklet, the Winter edition of *Jesuits and Friends*, and finally, the *Missio Calendar* for next year. Help yourself!

Salford Diocese: Reducing our carbon footprint

The Diocese has started work with academic partners on a 'decarbonisation strategy.' This will involve understanding our carbon footprint and ways to reduce it, over the next two years. The team would welcome anyone with expertise in this area in our parish communities to get in touch.

St Joseph's Mary's Meal project

With the newsletter is a poster explaining how pupils at St Joseph's are supporting Mary's Meals.

Christmas Masses

At the moment our plans for Christmas are as follows:-

Christmas Eve (24 December)

5.30pm A "drive-in" vigil Mass were we remain in our cars to celebrate the first Mass of Christmas.

The parking space in front of the glass doors is large, but limited. Come early!

10.00pm Mass in St Peter's (restricted to 130) Christmas Day (25 December)

9.30am Mass in St Peter's (restricted to 130) For the Masses in church there will not be a prebooking system, so come early to guarantee admittance.