

# ST PETER'S CHURCH

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THE NEWSLETTER

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time

Masses for this week

| Date                | Time           | Intention                  | Feast   |
|---------------------|----------------|----------------------------|---|
| Sa 13 <sup>th</sup> | 5.30pm St P's  | Simon Jon Thomasson RB     | Vigil 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of O.T. (Year B) |
| Su 14 <sup>th</sup> | 9.30am St J's  | For Asylum Seekers         | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of O.T. (Year B)       |
| Su 14 <sup>th</sup> | 11.00am St P's | For the College and Parish | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of O.T. (Year B)       |
| M 15 <sup>th</sup>  | NO MASS        |                            |   |
| T 16 <sup>th</sup>  | 8.20am         | Anne Ayrton L              | Weekday                                       |
| W 17 <sup>th</sup>  | 8.20am         | Anne Ayrton L              | St Anthony (+ College group)                  |
| W 17 <sup>th</sup>  | 11.20 SMH      | Priest's Intention         | St Anthony (+SMH)                             |
| Th 18 <sup>th</sup> | NO MASS        |                            |   |
| F 19 <sup>th</sup>  | 8.20am         | For Christian Unity        | Martyrs of Eastern Europe (+ College group)   |

L = Lately Dead, A = Anniversary of Death, R = Remembrance  
P = Personal Intention, S = Sick, B = Birthday

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:**

Brenda Ross, Alice Wilkinson, Kathleen Hayhurst, Joseph Smith and James Earnshaw:  
*May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*

**Readings at Mass**

|        | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the Year | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the year |
|--------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| First  | 1Sam 3:3-10,19                     | Jonah 3: 1-5,10                    |
| Second | 1Cor 6:13-15,17-20                 | 1Cor 7: 29 – 31                    |
| Gospel | John 1:35-42                       | Mark 1: 14 – 20                    |

**Diocesan Website:**

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

**Praying with the Pope in January 2018**

That Christians, and other religious minorities in Asian countries, may be able to practice their faith in full freedom.

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

*The Prayer for Christian Unity 2018*

*That all may be free:*

Barrier-breaking God, You embrace all cultures and lands, but keep a special place in your heart for the stranger, the widow and the orphan. Grant us the gift of your Spirit that we may become as You are, welcoming all as brothers and sisters, Your cherished children, citizens together in Christ's kingdom of justice and peace. Amen

(Produced by the Caribbean)

**Today** is the world day of Prayer for Migrants and Asylum Seekers – see the letter from Pope Francis on the back page.

**Bishop John:** Please pray for him as he is on retreat at St Beunos in North Wales.

## News

Fr Peter left for Edinburgh last Monday. He thanks everyone for their good wishes and hopes to settle in quickly to his new parish.

## The Collection:

Weekend 6<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup> January 2018

| Vigil   | 8.30am | 10.00am | TOTAL   |
|---------|--------|---------|---------|
| £209.01 | £75.16 | £49.90  | £334.07 |

Many thanks for your generosity.

The joint carol singing before Christmas raised over £450.00. Well done to all those who took part.

## Weekday Masses

People are getting used to the new Mass times. From this week, we will be joined by some pupils for the 8.20 Mass on Wednesday and Friday.

Parishioners who wish are welcome to come to the Mass on Wednesday at St Mary's Hall which begins at 11.20am.

## Week of prayer for Christian Unity

On Thursday we begin the week of prayer for Christian Unity. Fr Peter tells me that in this parish we work well with other Christian denominations, but during this week we can pray that all Christians work together for Human Freedom. At each Mass during the octave we will pray the special prayer composed by the Christian churches of the Caribbean.

## Holy Hour and Benediction:

On Saturday afternoons there will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 4.30pm to 5.15pm. This will conclude with a simple Benediction. During the Holy Hour, confessions will be available. This devotion is open to both parishioners and pupils from the college. Another way in which we can worship together.

## Senior Citizens Party in village Hall

Next Saturday at 7pm. Contact: Barbara Herd on 826350 if you would like to come.

**Caritas Sunday** is Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> January

## The Pope's message for World Day of Refugees and Asylum Seekers:

Every Stranger who knocks on our door is an opportunity for an encounter with Jesus Christ, who identifies with the welcomed and rejected strangers of every age (Mt 25: 35 – 43). The Lord entrusts to the Church's motherly love every person forced to leave their homeland in search of a better future.

This solidarity must be concretely expressed at every stage of the migratory experience – from departure through journey to arrival and return. This is a great responsibility which the Church intends to share with all believers and men and women of good will, who are called to respond to the many challenges of contemporary migration with generosity, promptness, wisdom and foresight, each according to their own abilities.

In this regard, I wish to reaffirm that our shared response may be articulated by four verbs: to **welcome**, to **protect**, to **promote** and to **integrate**.

**Welcoming** means offering broader options for migrants and refugees to enter destination countries safely and legally...

**Protection** may be understood as a series of steps intended to defend the rights and dignity of migrants and refugees, independent of their legal status...

**Promoting** essentially means a determined effort to ensure that all migrants and refugees, as well as the communities that welcome them, are empowered to achieve their potential as human beings....

**Integrating** concerns the opportunities for intercultural enrichment brought about by the presence of migrants and refugees... our cultures will become a reflection of the multi-faceted gifts of God to human beings.

*"When I was a stranger, you made me feel welcome"*

