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THE NEWSLETTER

16th Sunday of OT (Year A)

Mass Schedule

Date	Time	Mass Intentions	Feast
Sa 18 th	5.30pm St P's	Priest's Intention	Vigil of the 16 th Sunday of OT (Year A)
Su 19 th	9.30am St J's	For the Parish	16 th Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year A)
	11.00am St P's	Priest's Intention	
Mo 20 th	No Mass		Weekday in Ordinary Time (Week 16)
Tu 21 st	8.00am St P's	Communion Service	Weekday in Ordinary Time
Wed 22 nd	8.00am St P's	Communion Service	St Mary Magdalene
Th 23 rd	No Mass		St Bridget of Sweden
Fr 24 th	8.00am St P's	Peter Dawber A	Weekday in Ordinary Time

(Each Saturday during term time 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: Mary Catherine Grayson, Margaret Shepherd, Robert Hunt and Caroline Coombs. *May they rest in the peace of the Lord.*

Readings at Mass

	16 th Sunday of OT (Year A)	17 th Sunday of OT
First	Wisdom 12; 13. 16-19	I Kings 3; 5, 7 - 12
Second	Rom 8; 26 - 27	Rom 8; 28 - 30
Gospel	Matt 13; 24 - 30	Matt 13; 44 - 46

Diocesan Website:

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

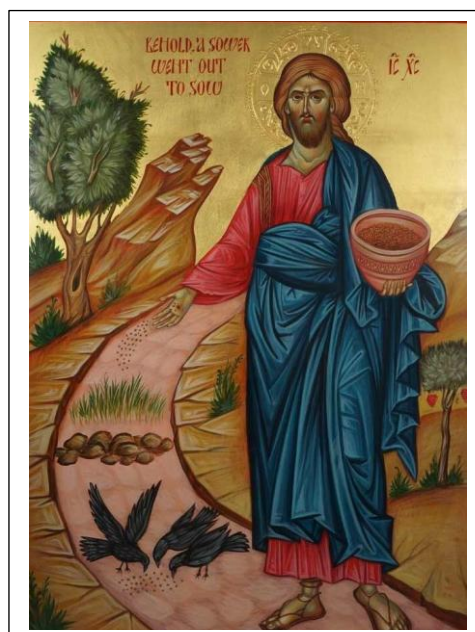
for information on our Diocese and what is happening.

Praying with the Pope in July 2026

For respect for human life

Let us pray for the respect and protection of human life in all its stages, recognizing it as a gift from God.

Look at www.ThePopeVideo.org for more information



Master did we not sow good seed

Today

Is the 16th Sunday of Ordinary Time. In the gospel Jesus tells another parable to explain the presence of both good and evil in the world. We welcome Fr Adrian Howell who will be celebrating Mass for us today. Welcome back Fr Adrian.

Stonyhurst Summer School

There are now 140 language school students who have come to Stonyhurst to learn English. They will join us for the 5.30pm Saturday vigil Mass today and for the next 2 weekends.

Venezuela Earthquake

Jesuit Missions is seeking to send out some help to its partners in Venezuela to help the victims of the recent earthquakes. To donate, use an envelope from the back of the church or a card so that you can donate online.

Prayers for peace

It seems that peace in the Middle East is very elusive!. However, we continue to pray for peace in all parts of the world. We are confident that they will be heard.

Fr Tim Away on Retreat

Fr Tim is currently away for his retreat until Thursday. This weekend we welcome Fr Adrian Howell who will be celebrating the Masses. Thanks to those who conduct the Communion Services during the time while he is away.

Coffee Stop

Takes place on Thursday at 1.30pm in the bowling Green Pavilion. All welcome.

Wedding blessings

Please pray for Jack Rhodes and Emily Cross-Costelle who will be celebrating the Sacrament of Marriage in our church this week.

ParkPlay

Has resumed and continues for the rest of the holidays. New leaders welcome: contact Catriona on 07775 801057.

Next Sunday

Is the 17th Sunday of Ordinary Time. In the gospel Jesus tells us that finding the Kingdom of God is like finding treasure,

Pope Leo's Encyclical

Last month, Pope Leo published his first encyclical *Magnifica Humanitas* which deals with AI and its impact on the world and the Church. Copies are available in the Piety Stall at the back of St Peter's (price £6.00).

Fr Rory Geoghegan SJ RIP

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Fr Rory Geoghegan SJ who will be buried in Boscombe this week. He pioneered an apostolate amongst Oil Workers in Aberdeen and was a gifted sculptor and retreat giver. May he rest in peace.

New Stations for the cemetery

The bases for the Stations are being laid in the cemetery for imminent delivery. Those who wish may contribute to the cost of their purchase. A thank you to those who have contributed already. So far we have received £7,800 in donations, about ½ of the cost. Thank you.

Report on the AGM

Which was held last Sunday. We gathered in Fr Tim's garden. Les Bury presented the accounts for last year and Niall Macfarlane made a comprehensive report on the parish and its many and varied activities. Stephen Clarke gave a progress report on the project to install the new Stations of the Cross in the cemetery. Niall proposed that the whole Parish Council resign and an appeal be made for new members to come forward to assist the parish to fulfil its aims of reaching out to the youth and those who do not come regularly to church. The meeting concluded with a shared lunch. Thanks to all of those who help in the parish all year round and to those who contributed to the AGM.

Dates for the diary

St Ignatius Day

Is just 10 days away! We celebrate the feast with parishioners from Preston. We will have evening prayer at 6pm in the St Joseph's school chapel followed by pizza made to order. Friday 31st July at 6pm in the St Joseph's chapel. All welcome.

Caritas Everystep campaign

Sponsored walk in Downham. Saturday 5th September 2026 (Leaflets at the back of church)