

ST PETER'S CHURCH

(with St Joseph's, Hurst Green)

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THE NEWSLETTER

Fourth Sunday of Advent (Year B)

Mass Schedule for this week

Date	Time	Mass Intentions	Feast
Sa 19 th	5.30pm St P's	Private Intention (TN)	Vigil of 4 nd Sunday of Advent
Su 20 th	9.30am St P's	For the Parish	4 nd Sunday of Advent
	11.00am St P's	Christopher Pearson L	
M 21 st	NO Mass		Weekday of Advent (Week 4)
T 22 nd	8.00am St P's	Chris Horrocks L	Weekday of Advent
W 23 rd	8.00am St P's	John Wilcock & Mary Taylor	Weekday of Advent
Th 24 th	5.30pm Drive-in	For the Parish	Vigil of Christmas
	10.00pm St P's	Carol Ann Thomasson	Christmas Night
F 25 th	10.00am St P's	John & Janet Cowdall (Sp Int)	Christmas Day

(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

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. Ellen Snape, John Myerscough, Clifford Wilkinson, Mary Josephine Brown, Leonard Scott, Pearl Heller, James Wilcock, William Duxbury, Michael Crotty, Francis Bretherton, Richard Platt and Carol Ann Thomasson. *May they rest in the peace of the Lord.*

Readings at Mass

	4 th Advent (Year B)	Holy Family (Year B)
First	2 Sam 7; 1-5, 8-12, 14, 16	Ecclus 3; 2-6, 12-14
Second	Rom 16; 25-27	Col 3; 12-21
Gospel	Luke 1; 26-38	Luke 2; 22-40

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



The account of the annunciation also occurs in the Koran.

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

Saturday

4.30pm to 5.15pm Exposition
Confessions will be available

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, self-isolating 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.*

Holy Communion Masses

These are finished for the year. Congratulations to all the children who have at last made their First Holy Communion and thanks to those who have prepared them.

This Sunday

Is the Fourth 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.

Fr Tim's availability

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

Weekday Masses

Take place this week on Tuesday and Wednesday. Friday is of course Christmas Day

Next Sunday

Is the feast of the Holy Family.

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.*

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.

Christmas Masses

It is worth spending a moment reflecting on which Christmas Mass you wish to attend. From the point of view of Covid, the "drive-in" Mass is very safe, as you must remain in your car. We can also sing in the safety of our cars. Sadly it will not be possible to distribute Communion. Communion will be given at the other Masses, but we won't be able to sing. The bishop has suggested that you might like to attend a Mass during Christmas Week and make this your Christmas Mass.

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 pre-booking system, so come early to guarantee admittance.*

*A Happy and Holy
Christmas to all*