

# ST PETER'S CHURCH

(with St Joseph's, Hurst Green)

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**22<sup>nd</sup> October 2023**

**THE NEWSLETTER**

**29<sup>th</sup> Sunday of OT (Year A)**

## Mass Schedule

Date	Time	Mass Intentions	Feast
Sa 21 <sup>st</sup>	5.30pm St P's	Peter & Stephen Dawber (b'day)	Vigil of the 29 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of OT
Su 22 <sup>nd</sup>	9.30am St J's	For the Parish	The 29 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time (A)
	11.00am St P's	Lou & Thomas (Family blessings)	
M 23 <sup>rd</sup>	No Mass		Weekday in Ordinary Time (Week 29)
Tu 24 <sup>th</sup>	8.00am St P's	Mildred Hand L	Weekday in Ordinary Time
W 25 <sup>th</sup>	8.00am St P's	Sr Mary McMahon (B'day)	Weekday in Ordinary Time
Th 26 <sup>th</sup>	No Mass		Weekday in Ordinary Time
F 27 <sup>th</sup>	8.00am St P's	Marty Pender (B'day)	Weekday in Ordinary Time

(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 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.** Robert Johnson, Anthony Perry, James Wilkinson. Sheila Holden and Sarah Bolton. *May they rest in the peace of the Lord.*

## Readings at Mass

	29 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of OT (Year A)	30 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of OT
First	Isaiah 45; 1, 4 – 6	Exod 22; 20 – 26
Second	I Thess 1; 1 – 5	1 Thess 1'; 5 – 10
Gospel	Matt 22; 15 – 21	Matt 22; 32 – 40

## Diocesan Website:

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

for information on our Diocese and what is happening.

## Wilf Usher RIP

Wilf's funeral Mass is on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October at 12 noon in St Cuthbert's RC Church, Palatine Rd., Withington, M20 3LH followed by his burial in Manchester Cemetery.

## Praying with the Pope in October 2023 For the Synod

We pray for the Church; that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level, and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peripheries of the world.

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



*Give back to Caesar what is his*

### **This Sunday**

Is the 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time. In the gospel the Pharisees try to trap Jesus with a question about paying taxes to Caesar.

### **Pupils on Half Term**

The pupils of SMH, Stonyhurst and St Joseph's are all on their half term break. While they are away there will still be Benediction at 5.15pm on Saturday and Mass at 11am on Sunday.

### **11am Mass on Sunday**

At this Mass two adults will be baptized, along with their baby. Please keep them in your prayers.

### **Eucharistic Ministers**

Our Eucharistic ministers will renew their commitment at Mass this Weekend. We thank them for their service.

### **Prayers for peace**

Let's keep up our prayers for peace in the Middle East. Day by day the situation deteriorates. A real test of our faith.

### **Fr Tim on Holiday**

Fr Tim will be away from the parish from this Tuesday to Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November. In his absence Fr Peter Scally will be saying Mass.

### **Rosary during October**

We will pray the rosary together for the last time on Wednesday at 7pm. This year we have been gathering at St Joseph's chapel but others who wish can join in on line via zoom. Last Wednesday we had 9 people in the chapel and one person joining in on line. If you would like a link, please let Fr Tim know.

### **Coffee Stop**

The next Coffee Stop will be on Thursday at 1.30pm. This time we are back in the Bowling Green Pavilion. All welcome.

### **Wedding Blessings**

Please pray for Ivo Radice and Lucia Turner who will be celebrating the Sacrament of Marriage in St Peter's this week.

### **Putting your clock back**

Don't forget to put your clock back by one hour next Saturday night.

### **Next Sunday**

Is the 30<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time. In the gospel the Pharisees ask Jesus a question about which is the greatest commandment. The answer surprises them

### **Questions for the Diocesan Synod**

The bishop is inviting us for the "Big Listen". We will organize some groups for November, but the questions we have been asked to consider are as follows:

1. Where in your everyday life do you experience love, hope, or joy?
2. What concerns or worries make it hard to live a life of faith and hope?
3. What do you sense is the role of the Catholic Church in the world today?
4. Having reflected on these things, what do you sense God is asking of the Catholic Church in the Diocese of Salford at this time

Please pray through the questions individually.

### **The Universal Synod of the Catholic Church**

This continues in Rome, and lasts for one more week. Please keep the delegates in your prayers.

### **All Saints**

Is celebrated on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November. Mass on that day will be at 9.30am in St Joseph's Chapel.

### **All Souls**

Falls on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November. The Mass that day will be at 10am in the chapel in the cemetery. After the Mass the graves will be blessed. A kind donor has given two new benches for the cemetery. These will be blessed on this day as well.

### **Mass count**

The results of the Mass count so far are as follows:

	Sat 5.30pm	Sun 9.30 am	Sun 11am
<b>24 Sep</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>467</b>
<b>1 Oct</b>	<b>467</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>8 Oct</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>458</b>
<b>15 Oct</b>	<b>437</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>26</b>

Our average Mass attendance for the last 4 weeks is 538. This compares to last year's average of 509. The increase is due to groups who came to Mass here over these weeks.