

ST PETER'S CHURCH

(with St Joseph's, Hurst Green)

Stonyhurst College – Stonyhurst – Clitheroe – Lancs – BB7 9PZ.

T: (01254) 826268

E: stpeterschurchstonyhurst@btinternet.com

Web: www.stpetersstonyhurst.org.uk

Parish Priest: Fr Tim Curtis, SJ

Safeguarding Officer:

Niall Macfarlane (07786 432360)

Salford Roman Catholic Diocese Trustees Registered Charity No 2500374

26th July 2026

THE NEWSLETTER

17th Sunday of OT (Year A)

Mass Schedule

Date	Time	Mass Intentions	Feast
Sa 25 th	5.30pm St P's	Carole Wilson L	Vigil of the 17 th Sunday of OT (Year A)
Su 26 th	9.30am St J's	For the Parish	17 th Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year A)
	11.00am St P's	In Thanksgiving	
Mo 27 th	No Mass		Weekday in Ordinary Time (Week 17)
Tu 28 th	8.00am St P's	Debbie Hothersall L	Weekday in Ordinary Time
Wed 29 th	8.00am St P's	Mary Moss RIP	Sts Martha, Mary and Lazarus
Th 30 th	No Mass		Weekday in Ordinary Time
Fr 31 st	8.00am St P's	For the Society of Jesus	St Ignatius of Loyola

(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:

Catherine Hill, Winefride Burns, Elizabeth Brown, Tom Grimshaw, Mary Agnes Cardwell, Stephen Frederick Rushworthy, Fran Ballin, Clare Duckett, John Anthony Wheelan, Doris Porter, Mary Moss and Philomena Hunt. *May they rest in the peace of the Lord.*

Readings at Mass

	17 th Sunday of OT (year A)	18 th Sunday of OT
First	I Kings 3; 5, 7 – 12	Isaiah 55; 1 – 3
Second	Rom 8; 28 – 30	Rom 8; 35, 37 – 39
Gospel	Matt 13; 44 – 46	Matt 14; 13 – 21

Diocesan Website:

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

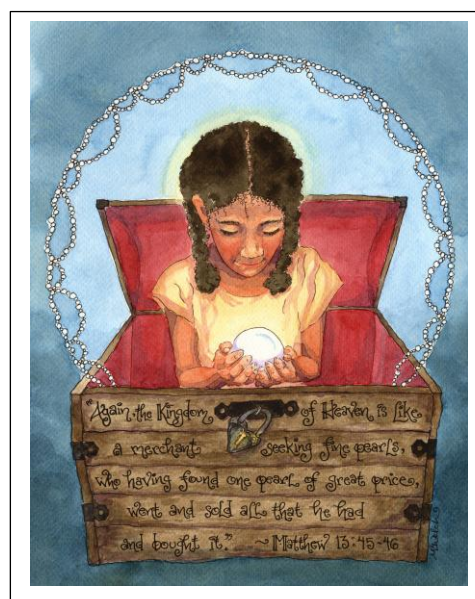
for information on our Diocese and what is happening.

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



*A merchant finds
a pearl of great worth*

Today

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

Day by Day

The August issue is available at the back of the church.

Stonyhurst Summer School

There are now 100 language school students who have come to Stonyhurst to learn English. They will join us for the 5.30pm Saturday vigil Mass today and also next weekend.

Prayers for peace

Hopes for peace in the Middle East seem to be evaporating with hostilities resuming. We still trust, however, that our prayers will be answered.

Fr Tim back from Retreat

Fr Tim is back refreshed from his retreat. He would like to thank all those who helped while he was away.

St Ignatius Day

Falls on Friday. 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 at 6pm in the St Joseph's chapel. All welcome.

ParkPlay

Continues for the rest of the holidays. New leaders welcome: contact Catriona on 07775 801057.

Stonyhurst Collections Open Days

This Friday and Saturday the Museum will be open to the public. You can book a slot on-line.

Next Sunday

Is the 18th Sunday of Ordinary Time. In the gospel Jesus blesses the loaves and the fishes to feed the 5,000.

Catenians at the 11am Mass

Next Sunday the Accrington Circle of the Catenians will be attending the 11am Sunday Mass.

Caritas Everystep campaign

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

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 two Sundays ago. 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.

Pope Leo speaks of peace

This is an extract of Pope Leo's message on World Peace Sunday:

"Dear brothers and sisters, whether we have the gift of faith or feel we lack it, let us open ourselves to peace! Let us welcome it and recognize it, rather than believing it to be impossible and beyond our reach. Peace is more than just a goal; it is a presence and a journey. Even when it is endangered within us and around us, like a small flame threatened by a storm, we must protect it, never forgetting the names and stories of those who have borne witness to it. Peace is a principle that guides and defines our choices. Even in places where only rubble remains, and despair seems inevitable, we still find people who have not forgotten peace. Just as on the evening of Easter Jesus entered the place where his disciples were gathered in fear and discouragement, so too the peace of the risen Christ continues to pass through doors and barriers in the voices and faces of his witnesses. This gift enables us to remember goodness, to recognize it as victorious, to choose it again, and to do so together."