

# ST PETER'S CHURCH

(with St Joseph's, Hurst Green)

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**THE NEWSLETTER**

**Feast of the Holy Family (Year B)**

## Mass Schedule

Date	Time	Mass Intentions	Feast
Sa 30 <sup>th</sup>	5.30pm St P's	Ann Aryton A & Bailey Family	Vigil of the Holy Family (Year B)
Su 31 <sup>st</sup>	9.30am St J's	For the Parish	Feast of the Holy Family (Year B)
	11.00am St P's	Sam Smith A	
M 1 <sup>st</sup> Jan	9.30am St J's	For the Parish	Mary Mother of God
Tu 2 <sup>nd</sup>	8.00am St P's	Mary Falls L	St Basil & St Gregory BB DD
W 3 <sup>rd</sup>	8.00am St P's	For the Society of Jesus	The Holy Name of Jesus
Th 4 <sup>th</sup>	No Mass		Weekday in the Christmas Season
F 5 <sup>th</sup>	8.00am St P's	Barbara Carey A	Weekday in the Christmas season

(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.** Ann Isherwood, Anne Ayrton, Clare Rawcliffe, Sam Smith, Fr Paul Magill SJ, Francis Nutter, Fr Freddy Turner SJ, Margaret Brown, Richard Henry Rogerson, Kathleen Hill, Mary Frances Slater, Elizabeth Hardman and Neil Murtagh.. *May they rest in the peace of the Lord.*

## Readings at Mass

	Holy Family (Year B)	The Epiphany of the Lord
First	Ecclus 3; 2 - 6, 12 - 14	Isaiah 60; 1 - 6
Second	Heb 11; 8, 11 - 12, 17 - 19	Eph 3; 2 - 3, 5 - 6
Gospel	Luke 2; 22 - 40	Matt 2; 1 - 12

## Diocesan Website:

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

for information on our Diocese and what is happening.

## Frances Wilcock RIP

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Frances who has died. Please remember her family in your prayers too. The funeral will take place in St Peter's on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2024 at 11am, followed by a burial in St Joseph's cemetery,

## Praying with the Pope in January 2024

### For the gift of diversity in the church

Let us pray that the Holy Spirit helps us to recognise the gift of different charisms within the Christian community, and to discover the richness of different ritual traditions in the heart of the Catholic church.

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



*Jesus, Mary and Joseph  
I give you my heart  
and my soul*

### **This Sunday**

Is the feast of the Holy Family. In the gospel Jesus is presented in the temple and the prophet Simeon recognises him as the Christ.

### **The Christmas Collection**

Was for the Society of Jesus. The collection came to £1,167.20. Thank you for your generosity.

### **Donations to the Crib**

This year donations to the crib will go to the *Friends of the Holy Land* charity, which assists needy Christian families in Gaza, the West Bank and Israel.

### **White Gates locked and closed**

The white gates half way down the Avenue will be locked and closed until 4<sup>th</sup> January. They will be open for the Masses in St Peter's, but otherwise you need to use the SMH entrance.

### **Monday is New Years Day**

And is the feast of Mary, the Mother of God. Mass on Monday will be at **9.30am in St Joseph's**. Come and pray for God's blessings on your year!

### **Jesuit Feast Day**

Wednesday is the feast of the Holy Name of Jesus, the patronal feast of the Society of Jesus. We pray for all Jesuits and the works they do for the Greater Glory of God.

### **Next Sunday**

We celebrate the feast of the Epiphany of the Lord, where Jesus is revealed to the nations by the visit of the Magi.

### **Food bank and Caritas donations**

Thanks to all those who donated to our local food bank and to Caritas Salford Maryvale Parent and Baby Unit. You have made a huge difference to the life of someone this Christmas. Thank you.

### **Parish Extra**

Copies still available from the back of the church.

### **Trees down in the cemetery**

Two trees have blown down in the cemetery due to recent high winds. Please take extra care when visiting the graves of your loved ones.

### **The Parish in Numbers**

During 2023 we celebrated:

	2022	2023
Baptisms	24	37
Receptions	2	5
1 <sup>st</sup> communions	20	34
Confirmations	137	32
Weddings	18	18
Funerals	8	12

### **A huge thank you...**

To all of those who made the celebration of Christmas so special this year, and to all our volunteers who contribute to the parish all through the year.



*A Happy and blessed New Year to all our readers*

### **New Year Mass times**

Sat 30th Dec	Exposition at 4.30pm Mass at <b>5.30pm</b>
Sun 31 <sup>st</sup> Dec	<b>9.30am</b> Mass in St Joseph's <b>11.00am</b> Mass in St Peter's
Mon 1st Jan	<b>9.30am</b> New Year's Day Mass in St Joseph's

### **New year wishes**

Fr Tim and Fr Peter would like to wish everyone a happy New Year. May the Lord inspire your dreams and may your dreams come true.