

# ST PETER'S CHURCH

(with St Joseph's, Hurst Green)

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THE NEWSLETTER

First Sunday of Lent (Year A)

Mass Schedule for this week

Date	Time	Intention	Feast
Sa 29 <sup>th</sup>	5.30pm St P's	Sarah Moss B	Vigil of the 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent (Yr A)
Su 1 <sup>st</sup> Mar	9.30am St J's	For the Parish	The 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent (Yr A)
	11.00am St P's	For the College	
M 2 <sup>nd</sup>	NO MASS		Weekday in Lent (Week 1)
T 3 <sup>rd</sup>	8.00am St P's	Maureen Mercer (for health)	Weekday in Lent
W 4 <sup>th</sup>	8.00am St P's	Dr Altekin Riza	Weekday in Lent
Th 5 <sup>th</sup>	8.45am SMH	(Provincial's Mass)	Weekday in Lent
F 6 <sup>th</sup>	8.00am St P's	Agnes Haworth L	Weekday in Lent

(Every Saturday Afternoon: **Holy Hour with Confessions** at 4.30pm, **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:** Hannah Platt, Mary Arrowsmith, Lawrence Edwards, Henry Holden and Margaret Mary Thistlethwaite. *May they rest in peace.*

Readings at Mass

	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent (Yr A)	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent (Yr A)
First	Gen 2; 7-9, 3; 1-7	Gen 12; 1 - 4
Second	Rom 5; 12 - 19	2 Tim 1; 8 - 10
Gospel	Matt 4; 1 - 11	Matt 17; 1 - 9

**Diocesan Website:**

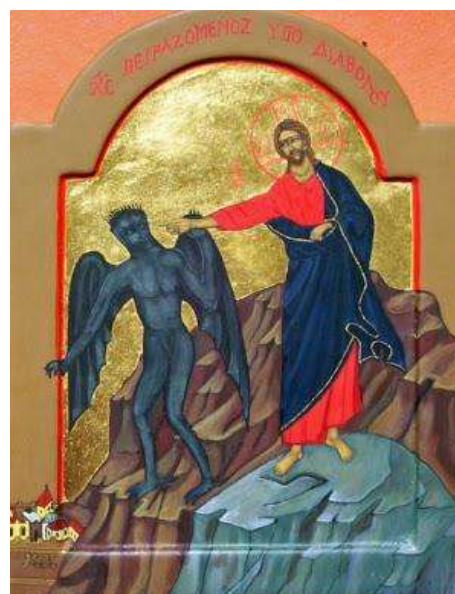
<http://www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk>

for information on our Diocese and what is happening.

**Praying with the Pope in March 2020**

We pray that the church in China may persevere in its faithfulness to the Gospel and grow in unity.

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



## Today

Is the first Sunday of Lent. Our Lenten journey has begun. The Gospel recounts how, after 40 days of fasting in the desert, Jesus is tempted by the devil. Whenever we resolve to fast, pray or reform our lives, the devil is busy at work trying to stop us.

## Letter from the Bishop

Bishop John Arnold has written a pastoral letter on Climate Change – please take a copy home.

## First Holy Communion Children

Meet today at 8.30am in St Joseph's. They will also take part in the 9.30am Mass.

## Rite of Election

We have six candidates to be received into the church at Easter. These will be presented to the Bishop, John Arnold, at the Rite of Election at 2.30pm today in Salford Cathedral. Parishioners are welcome to come along and support them.

## Novena of Grace in honour of St Francis Xavier

Begins on Wednesday and continues until the following Thursday. We will say a special prayer at the end of each Mass during the novena.

## Provincial's Visitation

Fr Damian Howard, the Jesuit Provincial, will be visiting Stonyhurst, SMH and St Joseph's on Wednesday and Thursday. He will celebrate the 9.30am Mass in St Joseph's next Sunday and will meet parishioners after Mass.

## CAFOD Family Fast Day

Friday is Family Fast day. Please take an envelope from the back of the church and put in it whatever you save by doing without something on this day.

## SMH Open Day

Next Saturday SMH is having an Open Day where prospective parents can visit the school. See their website for details.

## Next Sunday

Is the second Sunday of Lent. The Gospel is Matthew's account of the Transfiguration of Jesus, where Peter, James and John receive a glimpse of the Glorified Jesus.

## The Collection

The collection last week came to:

Vigil Mass	9.30am	11.00am	Total
£ 98.10	£ 98.80	£ 27.00	£ 223.90

*Thank you for your generosity.*

## Getting into the Ignatian Habit

We will be offering a series of three workshops during Lent to help us embrace Jesuit prayer at a deeper level. It is hoped that those involved in ministry (Eucharistic Ministers, Readers, Catechists and Youth Leaders) will attend this mini series of workshops. Other parishioners are welcome too. We have also invited parishioners from other parishes in the deanery. The workshops run from 2pm to 4pm on Saturdays 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> March. Please make a note in your diary.

## Easter Retreat Youth Leader

Stonyhurst are advertising for Youth Leaders to run the children's programme at the annual Holy Week Retreat. If you are interested in finding out more about these roles, please visit: <https://www.stonyhurst.ac.uk/work-at-stonyhurst>

## Novena of Grace prayer

*(To be said each day from Wednesday to the following Thursday.)*

**Most amiable and most loving Saint Francis Xavier, in union with you I reverently adore the Divine Majesty. I rejoice exceedingly on account of the marvelous gifts which God bestowed upon you. I thank God for the special graces He gave you during your life on earth and for the great glory that came to you after your death. I implore you to obtain for me, through your powerful intercession, the greatest of all blessings - that of living and dying in the state of grace. I also beg you to secure for me the special favor I ask in this novena. (Here you may mention the grace, spiritual or temporal, that you wish to obtain.) In asking this favour, I am fully resigned to the Divine Will. I pray and desire only to obtain that which is most conducive to the greater glory of God and the greater good of my soul. Amen**