

# ST PETER'S CHURCH

(with St Joseph's, Hurst Green)

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THE NEWSLETTER

Easter Sunday (Year B)

Mass Schedule for this week

Date	Time	Mass Intentions	Feast
Sa 3 <sup>rd</sup>	8.00pm St P's	For those seeking hope	Easter Vigil
Su 4 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am St P's	For the Parish	Easter Sunday
	11.00am St P's	Livestreamed – link on website	
M 5 <sup>th</sup>	No Mass		Weekday in Easter Octave
T 6 <sup>th</sup>	8.00am St P's	In thanks for a successful operation	Weekday in Easter Octave
W 7 <sup>th</sup>	8.00am St P's	Bretherton Family Intentions	Weekday in Easter Octave
Th 8 <sup>th</sup>	No Mass		Weekday in Easter Octave
F 9 <sup>th</sup>	8.00am St P's	Howard and Seed Families	Weekday in Easter Octave

(For the Feasts this week, the church will open half an hour before each service)

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: Joseph Richardson, William Joseph Wilson, Ann Snape, A J Eccles, Sabina Prendergast, Mary Isabella Cardwell and Margaret Mary Whipp. *May they rest in the peace of the Lord.*

## Readings at Mass

	Easter Sunday (Yr B)	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter (Yr B)
First	Acts 10; 34, 37 - 43	Acts 4; 32 - 35
Second	Col 3; 1 - 4	I John 5; 1 - 6
Gospel	John 20; 1 - 9	John 20; 19 - 31

## Diocesan Website:

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

for information on our Diocese and what is happening.

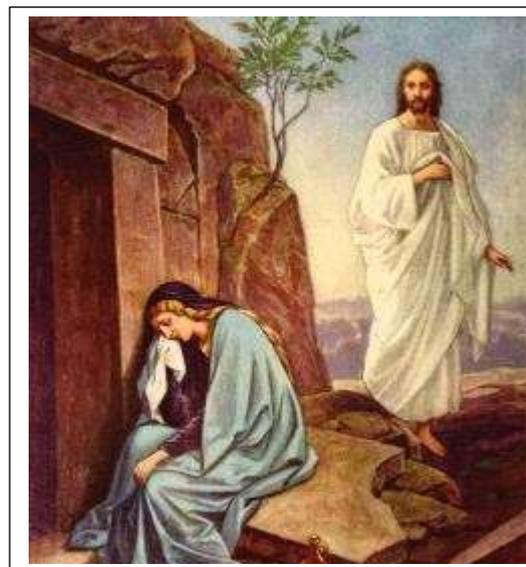
## CAFOD envelopes

If you took a CAFOD envelope to put inside the money you saved through your Lent penance, please bring it back next Sunday, so that we can forward the money to help those who are hungry.

## Praying with the Pope in April 2021

We pray for those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crisis.

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



Woman, why are you weeping?

**We continue to celebrate Mass with all of our covid-safe procedures in place. The 11am Mass this Sunday is being live streamed, so you can choose to attend in person or join in the service from your home. Even if you have had your first vaccine, you still need to be careful.**

**Usual Mass times are as follows:**

**Saturday**

**5.00pm** Church opens (**No exposition**)

**5.30pm** Mass in St Peter's

**Sunday**

**9.00am** Church opens

**9.30am** Mass in St Peter's

**11.00am** Mass in St Peter's

*As the Stonyhurst pupils are on vacation, parishioners may come to this Mass, but it will also be livestreamed. Link on Website.*

**Confessions will only be available on request.**

**Weekday Masses**

Mass will take place on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday at 8am in St Peter's.

**Coming to St Peter's for Mass:**

Even as we come out of lockdown, it is important to stick to the following guidelines:

- + Do not come to church if you are unwell, self-isolating, shielding or returning from a country where you have to quarantine
- + You should wear a face covering
- + Sanitise your hands on the way in and way out
- + Observe the one way system
- + Observe social distancing – make sure there are 2 empty benches between you and anyone else in the Church and away from the centre aisle.
- + Any printed materials you touch (Newsletters etc) place in a bin or take home with you.
- + Observe social distancing as you come into church, as you come forward for communion and, very importantly as you leave the church. We have to assume that someone is carrying the virus and take precautions.

*If you are driving, you will need to buzz security at the white gates.*

**This Sunday**

Is Easter Sunday – the day the Lord rose again from the dead. The 9.30am Mass will be aimed at our children, while the 11am will be live streamed for the Stonyhurst Holy Week retreatants. Today's collection goes to the Society of Jesus. He is Risen. Alleluia!

**Special Easter broadcast from Stonyhurst**

We are expecting Stonyhurst to be featured in a special meditation for Easter Sunday released from 9am. Pupils from all three schools are featured. Check the parish website for the link.

**Next Sunday**

Is the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter and marks the end of the Easter Octave. It is also called Low Sunday and today we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday. In the gospel Jesus appears to the disciples without Thomas, then again with Thomas present.

**Gift Aid Offertory Envelopes**

If you have a set of these you will notice that they have run out. Your new set will be available for you to collect after Mass. If you would like your box to be delivered, please let Fr Tim know.

**Fr Tim's availability**

If you need to contact Fr Tim, please leave a message on the parish phone line. He checks this regularly and will get back to you promptly.

**A huge thank you**

To everyone who contributed to making our celebration of Holy Week and Easter so special this year. A big thank you go to our parishioners who came forward for the readings for the live broadcasts! May the grace of the risen Lord come into your lives.

**Reading material at the back of the church**

Please help yourself to any of the following:  
The new edition of *Jesuits and Friends*  
The April edition of the *Messenger Magazine*  
The Easter issue of *Day by Day*  
Some good spiritual reading for Easter week!

**Why are bunny rabbits associated with Easter?**

We can understand the significance of Easter Eggs: the chick emerging from the egg reminds us of Christ emerging from the tomb on Easter Sunday morning. But why rabbits? They were an ancient symbol of fertility, especially at this time of the year, when the new bunnies were born. In some cultures, it was a clothed rabbit that brought the decorated Easter eggs for the children (a bit like Santa at Christmas). After 6 weeks of fasting from meat, a rabbit provided a tasty meal for a poor family on Easter Sunday.