

ST PETER'S CHURCH

(With St Joseph's, Hurst Green)

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THE NEWSLETTER

3rd Sunday of Advent (year C)

Mass Schedule for this week

| Date | Time | Intention | Feast |
|---------------------|----------------|---------------------------|---|
| Sa 15 th | 5.30pm St P's | Marion Donovan L | Vigil of 3 rd Sunday of Advent |
| Su 16 th | 9.30am St J's | For the Parish | 3 rd Sunday of Advent |
| | 11.00am St P's | Special Intention | 3 rd Sunday of Advent |
| M 17 th | NO MASS | | Weekday of 3 rd week of Advent |
| T 18 th | 8.00am St P's | Eileen Taylor S | Weekday of 3 rd week of Advent |
| W 19 th | 8.00am St P's | John Durden A | Weekday of 3 rd week of Advent |
| Th 20 th | NO MASS | | Weekday of 3 rd week of Advent |
| F 21 st | 8.00am St P's | Alvero Vincent Braganza L | Weekday of 3 rd week of Advent |

(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: Leonard Mercer, Stephen John Eccles, Richard Embery, Geoff Wilcock, Catherine Jones, Mary Hughes, Eileen Louise Ahearne, John Wilkinson and Eileen Snape. *May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace.*

Readings at Mass

| | 3 rd Sunday of Advent (C) | 4 th Sunday of Advent (C) |
|--------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| First | Zeph 3; 14 – 18 | Micah 5; 1 – 4 |
| Second | Phil 4; 4 – 7 | Heb 10; 5 – 10 |
| Gospel | Luke 3, 10 - 16 | Luke 1; 39 - 44 |

Diocesan Website:

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

for information on our Diocese and what is happening.

Praying with the Pope in December 2018

That people who are involved in the service and the transmission of faith, may find in their dialogue with culture, a language suited to the conditions of the present time.

Look at www.ThePopeVideo.org for more information.



Today

Is Gaudete Sunday. We rejoice in the middle of Advent. John the Baptist gives advice on how to reform our lives to greet the saviour. As a sign of our rejoicing, the priest wears rose vestments and we light the pink candle on the Advent wreath.

During the Christmas vacation Holy Hour and Benediction will be as usual on Saturday afternoons, and the 11 am Mass will continue to be celebrated on Sundays.

Blackburn Foodbank Christmas Appeal

Thanks to all of those who have supported the foodbank over the year. Please take a leaflet about their special appeal for Christmas. Items of food can be donated up to Monday.

Caritas Urgent Christmas Toys Appeal

Caritas Salford is looking for new toys to give as gifts to children who otherwise would have nothing. If you have something suitable, we need it by today. Thanks for your generosity.

Repository

The repository has recently been restocked and has a great selection of religious Christmas cards and gifts. Check out the stock after Mass.

Christmas Coffee Stop

Is at 2pm Monday at St John's Old School. Sherry, mince pies, cakes, tea and coffee and lots of fun.

St Joseph's Primary School Play

A production of *Little Red Riding Hood* takes place on Tuesday both at 2pm and at 6pm. All welcome.

St Joseph's Infants Nativity

Takes place on Wednesday at 11am

Reconciliation Service

Is on Thursday at 6pm in St Peter's.
An opportunity to have confession before Christmas. Followed by refreshments.

Congratulations to

Luke Robinson and Ellie Turner who are celebrating the Sacrament of Marriage here next Saturday. Let's pray for their happiness.

Next Sunday

Is the 4th Sunday of Advent. As Christmas is near the readings tell of Mary's visit to Elizabeth to share her good news.

The Collection

Weekend 8th / 9th December 2018

| Vigil | 9.30am | TOTAL |
|---------|--------|---------|
| £135.90 | £75.32 | £211.22 |

Thank you for your generosity.

Visiting the housebound of the parish

Fr Tim hopes to visit all those who can't get to Mass on a Sunday during this week. If you know someone who needs a visit, please let him know.

Going into hospital

If you are admitted to hospital, be sure and let the nurse know that you are a Catholic and that you wish to see the chaplain. Otherwise your details will not be passed on.

Carol Services

Some of us have enjoyed some carol services already. However, there are still some opportunities:

Sunday 16th December at 7pm in St John's

Organised by St John's Anglican Church

Friday 21st December at 12.45 in St Joseph's

The end of term carols for the primary school

Friday 21st December at 7pm in the village

Carol singing around the village and local pubs.

Meet in St. Peter's club 7pm. All monies raised

goes to the "Thomas" organisation in Blackburn

Sunday 23rd December at 5pm in the College

Carol singing round the Pieta.

Parishioners are welcome at any of these events.

Looking ahead to Christmas

Monday 24th December – 5pm

Carols followed by **the vigil Mass at 5.30pm**

Monday 24th December – 11.30pm

Carols followed by **Mass at Midnight**

Tuesday 25th December – 9.30am

Christmas morning Mass in St Joseph's

Note; there is **NO** 11am Mass on Christmas Day