

ST PETER'S CHURCH

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THE NEWSLETTER

Third Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year A)

Mass Schedule for this week

Date	Time	Intention	Feast
Sa 25 th	5.30pm St P's	Dave Cram (For health)	Vigil of the 3 rd Sunday of OT (Yr A)
Su 26 th	9.30am St J's	For the Parish	3 rd Sunday of Ordinary Time
	11.00am St P's	For the College	
M 27 th	NO MASS		Weekday in Ordinary Time (Week 3)
T 28 th	8.00am St P's	Pat Jennings L	St Thomas Aquinas PD
W 29 th	8.00am St P's	Marie Frances Thérèse Huddleston L	Weekday in Ordinary Time
Th 30 th	8.45am SMH	For the school	Weekday in Ordinary Time
F 31 st	8.00am St P's	Philip Smith L	St John Bosco P

(Every Saturday Afternoon: **Holy Hour with Confessions** at 4.30pm, **Benediction** at 5.15pm)

L = Lately Dead, A = Anniversary of Death, R = Remembrance
P = Personal Intention, S = Sick, B = Birthday F = Founders Mass

M = Martyr, V = Virgin, B = Bishop, Pp = Pope
D = Doctor, P = Priest, R = Religious

Please pray for the following, the anniversary of whose deaths occur at this time. James Crotty, Mary Edwards, William Brian Ahearne, Claire Eleanor Morris, Margaret Holden, Beatrice Cross, Grace Clare Shoemsmith, Rosanna (Rose) Wilcock, Peter Joseph Shoemsmith, Mary Cecilia Rogerson, James Holden and Ann O'Hara. *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 OT (Yr A)	Presentation of the Lord
First	Isaiah 8; 23 – 9;3	Malachi 3; 1 – 4
Second	I Cor 1; 10 – 13, 17	Heb 2; 14 – 18
Gospel	Matt 4; 12 - 23	Luke 2; 22 - 40

Diocesan Website:

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

for information on our Diocese and what is happening.

Praying with the Pope in January 2020

We pray that Christians, followers of other religions, and all people of goodwill may promote peace and justice in the world.

Look at www.ThePopeVideo.org for more information.



Follow me! And I will make you fishers of men

Today

Is the Third Sunday of Ordinary Time. In the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus is beginning his ministry by recruiting some helpers. He tells some fishermen that they will become fishers of men.

2nd collection – Caritas Sunday

At all Masses this weekend there will be a second collection for the work of Caritas Salford to help them with their work to house the homeless, build stronger families and communities, and welcome refugees. Caritas Salford has also supported our Hummingbird project, so please be generous.

Syntax Parents Weekend

This weekend we are joined by the parents of Syntax students at the college. They too will be joining us for benediction and the 11am Sunday Mass. Please pray for these pupils in the run up to the GCSE examinations.

Visit from Uruguay

Stonyhurst has a group of 24 students and 3 members of staff from the *Colegio Seminario* Jesuit School in Uruguay. They will be joining us for Benediction and the 11am Sunday Mass. They will be continuing their travels on Monday. Please keep them in your prayers.

Holocaust Memorial Day

Monday is Holocaust Memorial day – an occasion to pray for justice for all races and religions. This is a special anniversary as it marks the 75th anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz.

Interment of Ashes

The Ashes of the late Michael Groche will be interred in our cemetery on Monday at 10.30am. Please pray for his wife, Ann (nee Bolton) and the family.

Next Sunday

Is the 2nd of February and marks 40 days since the celebration of Christmas. It is the feast day of the presentation of the baby Jesus in the Temple. The feast day readings replace the ordinary Sunday readings. In the Gospel Simeon and Anna bear witness to Jesus as the saviour of the world.

Sacramental Preparation

The Children who are preparing to make their First Holy Communion this year resume their course next Sunday at 8.30am in St Joseph's.

The Collection

The collection last week came to:

Vigil Mass	9.30am	11.00	Total
£ 111.97	£ 64.12	£ 37.82	£ 213.01

Thanks for your generosity.

A holocaust survivor's testimony

"I was born in 1930 in Felsögöd, Hungary. My name was Zsuzsanna Blau. I lived with my mother and father and my brother, Laci. At home I enjoyed a very sheltered life, secure with my family. Anti-Semitism was rife in my town.

The situation got worse following the German invasion of Hungary in March 1944. We had to wear a yellow Star of David to identify ourselves as Jews.

My father was among those men who went to a meeting, but when they arrived they were herded into waiting lorries and taken to a concentration camp. I never saw my father again.

In May 1944, along with Laci and our mother, we were all sent to a ghetto in Vác and from there to a prison camp. In late May 1944, we were sent by cattle truck to Auschwitz. On arrival we scrambled out of the trucks, and men and women were separated immediately. I was also then separated from my mother who was sent to join a group of elderly prisoners. I was left on my own, surrounded by shouting, not comprehending anything. I felt pure terror and devastation. I soon learned that my mother had been sent directly to the gas chambers. I was selected to work, and remained in the camp for around 10 weeks.

From Auschwitz I was sent to Guben in Germany to work as a slave labourer in an armaments factory. With the Allies advancing, the prisoners were forced on a death march to Bergen-Belsen. On 15 April 1945 I was liberated by the British army. I crawled towards my liberators, unable to walk and close to death. I was hospitalised for tuberculosis, typhoid and severe malnutrition, and was sent to Sweden to recover. I was left with nothing – no family, no education, no money, and only speaking Hungarian. But I survived as did my brother Laci."