

ST PETER'S CHURCH

(with St Joseph's, Hurst Green)

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THE NEWSLETTER

8th Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year C)

Mass Schedule for this week

Date	Time	Mass Intentions	Feast
Sa 26 th	5.30pm St P's	Fr Bernard Walker SJ (Health)	Vigil of 8 th Sunday of OT
Su 27 th	9.30am St J's	For the Parish	8 th Sunday of Ordinary Time
	11.00am St P's	For the college	
M 28 th	No Mass		Weekday in Ordinary Time (Week 8)
Tu 1 st Mar	8.00am St P's	John Gerard A	St David, Patron of Wales B
W 2 nd	9.30am St P's	Teresa Nutter A	Ash Wednesday
Th 3 rd	8.30am SMH	For the School	Weekday in Lent
F 4 th	8.00am St P's	Robin Howell L (JT)	Weekday in Lent

(Each Saturday there is 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. John Earnshaw, Ann Hardman, Joseph Burns, Hannah Platt, Teresa Nutter and Mary Arrowsmith *May they rest in the peace of the Lord.*

Readings at Mass

	8 th Sunday of OT (yr C)	1 st Sunday in Lent (yr C)
First	Ecclus 27; 4 - 7	Deut 26; 4 - 10
Second	I Cor 15; 54 - 58	Rom 10; 8 - 13
Gospel	Luke 6; 39 - 45	Luke 4; 1 - 13

Diocesan Website:

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

for information on our Diocese and what is happening.

Prayers for world peace

In light of the events unfolding in the Ukraine we are all urged to pray for world peace. We will pray for this at Mass on Sunday. Those who wish can gather in St Peter's at 4pm on Sunday afternoon for a silent prayer vigil and to light a candle. We hope for a speedy and just resolution.

Praying with the Pope in March 2022

For a Christian response to bioethical challenges.

We pray for Christians facing new bioethical challenges: may they continue to defend the dignity of all human life with prayer and action.

Look at www.ThePopeVideo.org for more information



Repent and believe the Good News

Since last Thursday, there are now no legal restrictions around coming to church. However, we have to remember that some of our parishioners are vulnerable. As a courtesy to them, can we continue to wear masks in church and maintain social distancing? There is now Holy Water back in the stoops so that we can bless ourselves on the way in and out of church.

Usual Mass times are as follows:

Saturday

- 4.30pm** Church opens (with exposition)
- 5.15pm** Benediction
- 5.30pm** Mass in St Peter's

Sunday

- 9.00am** Church opens
- 9.30am** Mass in St Joseph's
- 11.00am** Mass in St Peter's for college

Confessions

Will be available during holy hour, but, where possible, to be celebrated outdoors.

This Sunday

Is the 8th Sunday of Ordinary Time, the last ordinary Sunday before Lent begins. In the gospel Jesus shows us how we can assist each other on our journey towards God.

Ashes for Ash Wednesday

Fr Tim will be making the ashes for Ash Wednesday on Monday. If you still have a palm at home from last year's Palm Sunday, please let him have it by Monday.

The 5.30pm Vigil Mass

The 5.30pm Vigil Mass is as usual, preceded by Benediction and Holy Hour.

The First Communion Programme

Meets on Sunday at 8.45am in St Joseph's.

The 9.30am Mass

Takes place in St Joseph's. We have now restarted the Children's liturgy at the Mass. The First Communion children, however, will remain in the chapel for Mass.

The 11am Sunday Mass

The college will be attending this Mass. Parishioners may join them, but with caution.

Getting ready for Lent

Lent begins on Wednesday. We can think about how we can deepen our prayer life, exercise some self-denial and so help the poor. There are some materials at the back of the church to help you with your journey. During Lent, let us remember the food bank we support in Blackburn

Ash Wednesday

Mass for the parish will be at 9.30am in St Peter's. At this Mass ashes will be blessed and distributed. Fr Tim will visit the housebound in the afternoon. Parishioner who wish can take some Ash to share with other members of their household.

Stations of the Cross

Will again be by Zoom this year. Fridays in Lent at 7pm. Request the link from Fr Tim.

Next Sunday

Is the first Sunday of Lent. In the gospel, Jesus is tempted by the devil.

The Universal Synod of the Church.

Our groups have been busy reflecting on the questions proposed for the synod. Their conclusions will be forwarded to the bishop of Salford and to the Jesuit Provincial. Parishioners who are not part of a group can submit their individual answers which be incorporated into the parish report. Fr Tim needs to have these by 7th March. The deadline has been extended so that parish submissions must arrive by 15th March. This gives a little extra time to those who need it. We can all pray for the success of the Synod.

Catholic Post

A new Catholic Newspaper has been launched. Please take a free copy from the back of the church.

Increase in cemetery charges

At the last meeting, the Parish Finance Committee decided to increase charges in relation to the St Peter's Cemetery. A new schedule of charges can be found on the parish website. This is the first increase in more than 5 years. In cases of financial hardship, the Parish Priest has discretion to alter these.