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THE NEWSLETTER

21st Sunday of the Year

Masses for this week

Date	Time	Intention	Feast
Sa 26 th	5.30pm St P's	Janet Cowdall B	Vigil of the 20th Sunday of the Year
Su 27 th	8.30am St P's	For the Parish	20 th Sunday of the Year
Su 27 th	10.00am St J's	Priest's Intention	20 th Sunday of the Year
M 28 th	7.55am	Priest's Intention	St Augustine BD
T 29 th	8.00am	Priest's Intention	Martyrdom of John the Baptist
W 30 th	8.00am	Priest's Intention	Margaret Clitheroe, Anne Line, Margaret Ward Mm
Th 31 st	7.55am	Priest's Intention	Saint Aidan B
F 1 st	8.00am	Priest's Intention	St Edmund Arrowsmith M

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

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:

Bill Phillips, Philip John Leighton Hardman, Catherine Murtagh, Robert Gerrard Hardman
May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Readings at Mass

	21 st Sunday	22 nd Sunday
First	Isaiah 22:19-23	Jeremiah 20:7-9
Second	Romans 11:33-36	Romans 12:1-2
Gospel	Matthew 16:13-20	Matthew 16:21-27

Collections: Very many thanks for your weekly donations for 19th/20th August

Vigil	8.30am	10.00 am	TOTAL
£ 105.15	£ 132.07	£40.75	£277.97

Praying with the Pope in September, 2017
That our parishes, animated by a missionary spirit, may be places where faith is communicated and charity is seen.

Look at www.ThePopeVideo.org for more information.

Dear Parishioners of St Peter's-w-St Joseph's,
 Look again at the Pope's prayer intention for September above. Here's a question: How far are we here acting along the lines the Pope is indicating? Please don't think I am suggesting for one moment that we do not match up to the Pope's ideal parish. There are many times and many ways in which we excel along the lines he is indicating, but it is always worthwhile to stop and pause and see if we can do better or if we are neglecting some important element of parish life.

.....And please pray!

Fr Peter Griffiths

News from the Diocese

46th Annual Rosary Rally ...

... takes place on Saturday, September 9th at 3.00pm with Gospel Singer Tom McCourt.

It takes place in Platt Fields, Manchester, (Grangethorpe Road Entrance)

Free Ice Cream!!

For more information, contact Sarah Mitchell 0161 431 0410

Caritas Diocese of Salford are looking to employ a **Payroll & Finance Officer** based at their Salford Head Office.

Please see the notice at the back of the church for further details.

From the Parish Priest.

As we come to the end of the summer holiday period and the school pupils return to their classrooms, not too much is happening in the parish, but things will change once we get into the Autumn. We will need to start thinking about the future of the apostolate of the parish and our ministry to St Joseph's School and how this can be integrated with the spiritual welfare of St Mary's Hall and the College since all will now be relying on the ministry of one man after Christmas. As things develop, I will, of-course, keep you informed of what is happening and will, indeed, be asking for your help and opinions as the Jesuits try to reshape our apostolate here. In the background of all this, is the Provincial of the British Province of the Society of Jesus who has to keep an eye on all the apostolates in which Jesuits in this country are engaged and ensure their smooth running. It is therefore appropriate at this time in 2017, when there will be a change of Fr Provincial to ask your prayers. Firstly, please pray in gratitude for Fr Dermot Preston SJ, who retires as Provincial on August 31st, Thursday of this coming week. With all the difficulties that the Province is going through in these last few years, Fr Dermot has been very kind to Stonyhurst and ensured that the apostolate here continues. His place as Provincial will be taken on September 1st by Fr Damian Howard SJ and we would do well

to pray very hard for him as he takes up the reins of Office.

The situation in the world and the Church, as we know seems to be growing more and more serious by the day and major superiors such as Bishops and Provincials of religious orders bear a great responsibility to guide their flocks in the very best way possible through the difficulties all around us. Pray then for Fr Howard as he begins his role of leadership in a troubled church and troubled world.

Fr Peter Griffiths SJ, Parish Priest

