

POPE'S INTENTIONS FOR JULY
That today's families may
be accompanied by love,
respect and guidance

St Peter's and St Philip's Newsletter

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Mother of God
Local
Missionary
Area
in Stockport



YOU ARE ALL WELCOME TO OUR PARISH COMMUNITIES
During the present emergency the churches have to remain
closed. All Masses, Rosaries and Exposition from St Peters are
being streamed live.
The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available by appointment and
is subject to social distancing.

THE WORD OF GOD

FIRST READING:

Act 12:1-11

PSALM: 33

From all my terrors the
Lord set me free

SECOND READING:

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, Alleluia!

You are Peter and on this
rock I will build my
church. And the gates of
the underworld can
never hold out against it
Alleluia

GOSPEL READING:

Matthew 10:16:13-19

DAILY ROSARY

If anyone would
like to volunteer to
come and lead a
daily Rosary
at 7 00 p.m.
then let Fr Peter
know.

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR - Year A

Divine Office Psalter Week 1

ORDINARY TIME WEEK XIII

ALL SERVICES WILL ONLY BE AVAILABLE ON THE LIVE STREAM

Each evening the Rosary will be said at 7 00 p.m, except Sunday then at 5 00 p.m.
join in on line www.churchservices.tv/stockport

Sunday 28th June 2020 ST PETER AND ST PAUL

10.00 am People of the Parish

Readings: Acts 12:1-11; Psalm 33; 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18; Matthew 16:13-19

Church open for private prayer 2 30—4 00 pm

ROSARY AT 5 00 p.m

Monday 29th June 2020

10 00 a.m. Raymond Smith **NOTE CHANGE OF TIME**

Readings: Amos 2:6-10, 13-16; Psalm 49; Matthew 8:18-22

Private Funeral Service for John Marsh at Stockport Crematorium

Tuesday 30th June 2020

10 00 a.m. Catherine Begley **NOTE CHANGE OF TIME**

Readings: Amos 3:1-8, 4:11-12 Psalm 5; Matthew 8:23-27

Private Funeral Service for Gerard Lohan at Southern Cemetery

Church open for private prayer 10 30—11 30 a.m

Wednesday 1st July 2020

10 00 a.m. Joanna Jenkinson **NOTE CHANGE OF TIME**

Readings: Amos 5:14-15, 21-24; Psalm 49; Matthew 8:28-34

Private Funeral Service for May Horbury at Stockport Crematorium

Thursday 2nd July 2020

12 Noon Nancy Lloyd

Readings: Amos 7:10-17 Psalm 18; Matthew 9:1-8

Church open for private prayer 5 00—6 30 p.m

Friday 3rd July 2020 ST THOMAS THE APOSTLE

12 noon Nellie Waring

Readings: Ephesians 2:19-22; Psalm 166; John 20:24-29

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 6—8 p.m.

Saturday 4th July 2020

11 00-11 45 a.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

12 noon David Smith

Readings: Amos 9:11-15; Psalm 84; Matthew 9:14-17

Sunday 5th July 2020 FOURTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

10.00 am People of the Parish

Readings: Zechariah 9:9-10; Psalm 144; Romans 8:9, 11-13; Matthew 11:25-30

Church open for private prayer 2 30—4 00 pm

ROSARY AT 5 00 p.m

Monday's Mass is a celebration of St Peter and Paul for our schools.
They will join in via the webcam. We will also be joined by staff
and pupils of St Peter's Stalybridge
Mass time changes this week are because of the schools and also
funeral services



**The Sacrament of
Reconciliation**
will be celebrated by
appointment and subject
to social distancing

Your prayers are asked for

The sick - remembering, all the sick in the parish, in our hospitals and nursing homes. We also remember those who are housebound and are unable to come to Mass. We remember especially young people who are sick. Let us also keep in our prayers all those who have care of the sick and the dying at this time often putting their own lives at risk in the process.

Lately Dead: Nancy Lloyd, Gerard Lohan, May Horbury, and John Marsh

Anniversaries that occur around this time: Noel Readdy, Michael McCauley, Pat Smith, Kitty Begley, Marie Hazeley, Philip Morris Goodchild, Eileen Byrne, Harry Mercer, Steve Bugarski and John Willman

Prayer Intentions - We have a team of 'prayer warriors' who will pray for your intentions at this time, send your intentions to the parish office and they will be forwarded. You can also light a 'virtual' candle on the parish website.

Ss Peter and Paul, Apostles

Matthew 16:13-19

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say he is John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets'. 'But you,' he said 'who do you say I am?' Then Simon Peter spoke up, 'You are the Christ,' he said 'the Son of the living God'. Jesus replied, 'Simon son of Jonah, you are a happy man! Because it was not flesh and blood that revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. So I now say to you: You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church. And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven: whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.'

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1. Spend some time quietly reading and re-reading the passage. Note the words, phrases that draw your heart and mind.
2. Who is Jesus for you?

For Conversation:

At times Peter and Paul were flawed personalities but nevertheless became great leaders in the Church. How can we overcome our flaws and failings to be truly faithful?



ONLINE GIVING TO THE PARISH

For those Parishioners who normally give in the collection at Mass and wish to help the Parish at this time, an online donation page to allow you to donate to the Parish has been added to the Parish website. **Please be aware that a minimum donation of £5 is requested if giving in this way. The link for each of our two parishes is shown below**

The page can also be used to set up a regular monthly donation, and you can also Gift Aid your donation to help the Parish further. If you want to Gift Aid your donation, please tick the box shown on the screen even if you have previously completed a Gift Aid Declaration form in favour of the Parish for regular giving made by Offertory Envelope or Standing Order.

For St Peters <https://investmycommunity.com/not-logged-donator/page/stpeterdioceseofshrewsbury2122>

For St Philip's use <https://investmycommunity.com/not-logged-donator/page/StPhilipOffertonDioceseofShrewsbury2161>

Thank you to those of you who have taken advantage of this scheme which brought in over £1000 during May

VIRTUAL TEAS AND COFFEES SUNDAY AT 11 AM

If you would like to receive the link to join the Zoom Sunday Morning Virtual Teas and Coffees and haven't already registered your email address on the stpetershelpers website, then please click on the link below and register your email address.

Register here;- <https://forms.gle/9oRc4QRs3JJnJ9Yu9>



RUNNING 200 Kms IN JUNE

Tom Burke our altar server in St Philipp's is doing well with his challenge to run 200 kilometres in the month of June to raise some funds for the Neo natal ward at Stepping Hill. He writes this week. I'll have ran 185K by Mass on Sunday, Julie from church ran with me and did a 5K with me and she brought in a lot of sponsorship money, my legs are dead but I'm looking forward to having a rest at the end. I'm really happy with what I've done. I've



raised £4566 with Gift Aid. Thanks again to people who have dropped money into you or have sponsored me online and thanks to you for sharing it every Mass.

ST PETER'S HAZEL GROVE REFUGEE PROJECT:

We are delighted to announce that our application has been sent off and we have a whopping £16,830 in our bank account. Thank you so much for all your support - as soon as we hear any more, we will let you know. Our next task is to start going through the application form to prepare a 'To Do list', so we can actually do all the things that we have promised the Home Office we will do! Please watch this space because this might be when we may call on your talents.

BEREAVEMENT GROUP

Contact Helen on 07854928072 email helenlyons1957@hotmail.co.uk or Rachel on 07724749217 email rachelemckay@icloud.com

FOOTSTEPS

This weeks Footsteps talk will not be taking place and will be rescheduled for a later date 'when things are back to normal'! Watch this space.

DO YOU KNOW OF ANYONE WHO DOES NOT HAVE ACCESS TO THE INTERNET AND WANTS TO LISTEN TO MASS -HERE ARE THE INSTRUCTIONS

To join our Mass via telephone please follow the below steps.

Call: **0131 460 1196**

An automated voice will say: "Welcome to Zoom. Enter your meeting ID followed by hash"

Without hanging up, dial the following number into your keypad: **848 5356 7011**

Then dial this key - #

The automated voice will ask for a Participant ID but you can just hold the line, after a few seconds you will be connected. You telephone will be muted, so while you can hear Mass, nobody else will be able to hear what you say.

Suggested time for ringing in is 5 minutes before Mass starts.

Please Note - Call charges may apply depending on the plan you have with your provider

MARRIAGE CARE: If you are going through difficulties in your relationship, Stockport Marriage Care offers a confidential counselling service. You can contact us on 0800 389 3801. We are currently providing couple counselling via a secure web-cam (Zoom).

ST PETERS BOOK CLUB

As lockdown continues, the Book Club are busy catching up with reading and can recommend the following books:

The Woman in the Window by A J Finn, The Parisian by Isabella Hammad, A Gentleman in Moscow by Amor Towles, The Cellist of Sarajevo by Steven Galloway, An Equal Music by Vikram Seth, Star of the Sea by Joseph O'Connor, Gilead by Marilynne Robinson and Girl Woman Other by Bernardine Evaristo

Offertory Gifts Thank you for your generous donations last week which amounted to £320 plus £700 by Standing Orders. Thank you to those who are putting their Offertory envelopes through the door and who have done the on line giving.. We also acknowledge a bequest of £5000 for the Priests Retirement Fund from Peggy Saunders who died recently. There was also a donation of £20 for Cafod

THE NEW SET OF OFFERTORY ENVELOPES FOR THE BEGINNING OF THE NEW FINANCIAL YEAR IN APRIL ARE AVAILABLE IN THE PORCH. THEY ARE CLEARLY MARKED WITH YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS AND THEY WILL STILL BE THERE WHEN WE GET BACK TO 'NORMAL'!

DURING THE PRESENT EMERGENCY WE STILL HAVE BILLS TO PAY!! Please continue to put your offerings in an envelope and save them until we are 'back to normal' or you can post them through the presbytery door. If you wish you can send an offering by cheque payable to St Peters Hazel Grove or do a direct transfer to

St Peters Hazel Grove at Lloyds Bank 30 15 52 54607668 or set up a Standing Order or for St Philip's go to **St Philips Offerton 30 15 52 54674660**

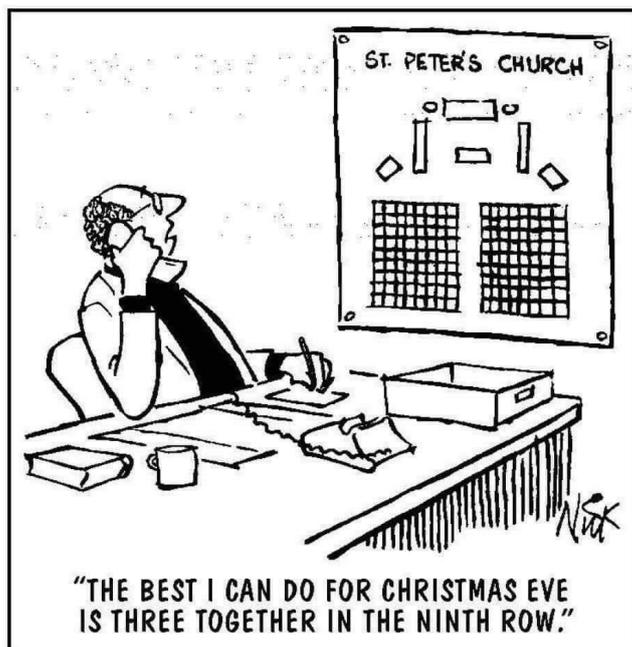
If your bank asks for the name of the account it is **Shrewsbury Roman Catholic Diocese Trustees** with the above account numbers

See also the note on page 2 about on line giving via a new website

GIFT AID DONORS— will any donors who no longer pay Income Tax please notify the Parish office to ensure the accuracy of this years claim. Date of last payment will assist. Anyone who wishes to join the scheme please contact Hughie 07977414884 or email

From Fr Peter.

It was good to see people in church again this week as they made private visits for prayer. There were over 50 visits in total. We were also able to hold our first funeral service since lockdown in church this week when Bernard Elsdon's funeral took place on Wednesday. I know many more watched it on the live stream. You will have heard that we can now begin the process of welcoming people back to Mass from next weekend. I cannot give a general invitation for everyone to come to Mass next weekend because we have to ensure that our plans will work to ensure that the various conditions that are being put on us can be followed. There may be some people allowed at Mass next Sunday but that will be as a way of seeing how our plans work and will be by invitation only. When we are open the number attending will be restricted initially so we still have to be patient. We also have to realise that at the beginning not everyone will be able to attend Mass every Sunday. Weekday Masses should be a little easier to accommodate people. The message from Cardinal Nicholls



and the Metro-

Cycled to the shop to buy a bottle of gin, but then I thought, what if I fall off my bike and the bottle gets broken? So cleverly, I drank it all outside the shop. Good thing I did too, I fell off my bike seven times on my way home



politan Archbishops of England about the reintroduction of public worship is posted on the parish website. You will realise, I am sure, that the safety of everybody is of the utmost importance as well as the correct and dignified way of celebrating Mass.

This week's Mass for the NHS helpers will be celebrated in the Cathedral of St George, Southwark by the Archbishop of Southwark, John Wilson. . The Mass which begins at 7 00 p.m. will be streamed on their You Tube channel .

I hope that those who joined in the 'Life in the Spirit' seminar on Friday night enjoyed it and they were not too full of the spirit afterwards as to be unable to function properly on Saturday morning!.

Stay well,
stay alert,
keep safe,
wash your hands
(in water, don't waste the gin!!)



Fr Peter

ST PETER'S CHURCH OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER

SUNDAY 2 30—4 00 p.m.

TUESDAY 10 30—11 30 a.m.

THURSDAY 5 00 p.m.—6 30 p.m.

As you will be aware the government has now allowed us to open our churches for private prayer. They have placed quite a number of conditions and restrictions on this which we have to follow. These are

1. The church has to be staffed by stewards all the time it is open
2. There should be no more than 10 visitors to church at any one time.
3. Social distancing is to be strictly observed.
4. The suggested time for each visit is a maximum of 15 minutes. This will only be enforced if there is a queue of people waiting to enter the church
5. There will be **NO** toilet facilities available
6. The Confessional will not be available because there is insufficient scope for social distancing
7. There will be a clearly marked one way system for entry and exit. (You will be asked to enter the church by the usual main door and then go up the right hand side of the church—the Lady Chapel side and then exit by the other aisle using then the side door of the porch.)
8. Hand sanitizer will be available and **MUST** be used on entry and exit.
9. You must not touch any statues.
10. Some prayer cards have been provided by the diocese but if you pick one up you should keep it and take it home with you. Once touched you must keep it in your possession!
11. There are numerous other regulations about cleaning to observe.

If you do wish to come then please follow the directions of the stewards. We have cordoned off a significant area of the church which will not be available to use, this is to save on the cleaning and we will be leaving doors and windows open to enable the flow of fresh air. If you have any symptoms of the virus then you should not come to visit the church.

We will open the church **TODAY SUNDAY AFTERNOON** for an hour and a half and then for two sessions during the week on **TUESDAY MORNING** and **THURSDAY EARLY EVENING**. The precise times of opening are shown at the top of this note

Thank you to those who have volunteered to be stewards and we will be pleased to receive applications from others who would like to offer their services. However we are advised not to accept applications from anyone who is 70 or over, pregnant, or has underlying health problems.

OPENING ST PHILIP'S CHURCH

If anyone would like to volunteer as a steward for St Philip's Church then we could look at opening St Philip's for a time each week. Please let Fr Peter know. We cannot open St Philip's for Mass until we have sufficient stewards to supervise it.

FUNERAL SERVICES IN CHURCH

We may now hold Funeral Services in church including Requiem Masses. The conditions for these services are similar to the conditions we have for Private Prayer visits. There will be strict social distancing and the numbers of those attending is strictly limited. At the moment there can be no hymns sung during these services

FOODBANK DONATIONS

IF YOU HAVE DONATIONS FOR THE FOOD BANK PLEASE WOULD YOU TAKE THEM DIRECTLY TO HAZEL GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH OPEN ON MONDAYS 12 30-14 30, WEDNESDAYS 10 30—12 30 AND FRIDAYS 11 30—14 30. PLEASE DO NOT BRING THEM TO ST PETERS AT THE MOMENT

CORONAVIRUS

There is a group of volunteers from the parish who will be happy to help those who are unable to get out to shop or just want a chat over the phone. If you need such help then get in touch via our parish phone 0161 483 3476 or email and leave a message and we shall get back to you.