



Mother of God
Local
Missionary
Area
in Stockport



YOU ARE ALL WELCOME TO OUR PARISH COMMUNITIES
During the present emergency the churches can only open when supervised. Our churches open about 30 minutes before Mass. There is a restriction on numbers in church at any one time. All Masses, Rosaries and Exposition from St Peters are also being streamed live.

TWENTY NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Year A

Divine Office Psalter Week 1

ORDINARY TIME WEEK XXIX

ALL SERVICES WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE LIVE STREAM
ATTENDANCE FOR SATURDAY AND SUNDAY MASSES POSSIBLE BY PRE BOOKING.
YOU NO LONGER NEED TO BOOK FOR WEEKDAYS

(See note on page 3)

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

Saturday 17th October 2020—St. Ignatius of Antioch, B, M

11 00-11 45 am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

12 noon Rita and Ged Froggart 50th Wedding Anniversary

Readings: Ephesians 1: 15-23; Psalm 8; Luke 12: 8-12

This Saturday Mass at 12 noon will use the texts for Sunday

6 00 pm Vigil Mass at St. Philip's Offerton -

6.00 pm Mass in Polish at St Peter's

Sunday 18th October 2020 TWENTY NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

10.00 am Joan Burgess RIP

6.00 pm People of the Parish

Readings: Isaiah 45: 1, 4-6; Psalm 95; Thessalonians 1: 1-5; Matthew 22: 15-21

DAY OF PRAYER FOR WORLD MISSIONS

There will be a Holy Hour from 4.30 - 5.30 to pray for the Missions
including the Rosary at 5 00 p.m

Monday 19th October 2020 - St. Peter of Alcantara, P

12 noon Betty Miskell RIP

Readings: Isaiah 52: 7-10; Psalm 95; Matthew 13: 47-52

Tuesday 20th October 2020

12 noon Barbara Lee RIP

Readings: Ephesians 2: 12-22; Psalm 84; Luke 12: 35-38

Wednesday 21st October 2020 -

12 noon Allen Summerfield

Readings: Ephesians 3: 2-12; Psalm Isaiah 12; Luke 12:39-48

For this evening's Rosary at 7 00 p.m. the church will be open for people to attend if you so wish.

Thursday 22nd October 2020 - St. John Paul II

12 Noon Kevin and Joy Gallagher 60th

Readings: Ephesians 3: 14-21; Psalm 32; Luke 12: 49-53

Friday 23rd October—St. John of Capestrano, P

12 Noon Requiem Mass for David Yates—ATTENDANCE BY INVITATION ONLY

Readings: Ephesians 4: 1-6; Psalm 23; Luke 12: 54-59

Saturday 24th October 2020

11 00-11 45 am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

12 noon Thanksgiving

Readings: Ephesians 4: 7-16; Psalm 121; Luke 13: 1-9

This Saturday Mass at 12 noon will use the texts for Sunday

6 00 pm Vigil Mass at St. Philip's Offerton -

6.00 pm Mass in Polish at St Peter's

Sunday 25th October 2020 - THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

10.00 am Frank, Colette and Clare Burke RIP

6.00 pm People of the Parish

Readings: Exodus 22:20-26; Psalm 17; 1 Thessalonians 1: 5-10; Matthew 22: 34-40

THE WORD OF GOD

FIRST READING:

ISAIAH 45: 1, 4-6

PSALM 22

Give the Lord glory and
power

SECOND READING:

Thessalonians 1: 1-5

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

You will shine in the
world like bright stars
because you are offering
it the word of life.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 22:15-21

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

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

will be celebrated by
appointment and subject
to social distancing



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..

Latently Dead: David Yates who's Requiem Mass takes place here on 23rd October at 12.00 Noon –**INVITATION ONLY**

Anniversaries that occur around this time: Bishop Brian Noble, Canon John Roper, Elizabeth Miskell, Tommy Smart, Ken James, Bernard Cooke, Emile Ludwilla, Brian Burgess, Christina Nolan, Frances Wilson, Margaret Hargreaves, Pat Melia, John Hand, Veronica Mulroy, Harry Hillier, Jeremiah O'Keeffe.



It seems like only a few weeks ago since Bishop Brian went back to the Lord but this week marks the first anniversary of his death on October 21st last year. We thank God for his ministry amongst us and continue to pray for his eternal rest and we also remember his family who still mourn the loss of a brother and much loved uncle.

Baptisms:

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.

Baby Loss Awareness - during October we remember all those who have lost a baby during pregnancy, at or soon after birth. Usually there is a service at St. Georges Church where all these babies are remembered, sadly this cannot take place this year. Please remember the babies and their families in your prayers.

To prepare for this prayer, spend a few moments asking the Holy Spirit to open your mind and heart to hear this Word being spoken to you today.

Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

Matthew 22:15-21

Then the Pharisees went away to work out between them how to trap Jesus in what he said. And they sent their disciples to him, together with the Herodians, to say, 'Master, we know that you are an honest man and teach the way of God in an honest way, and that you are not afraid of anyone, because a man's rank means nothing to you. Tell us your opinion, then. Is it permissible to pay taxes to Caesar or not?' But Jesus was aware of their malice and replied, 'You hypocrites! Why do you set this trap for me? Let me see the money you pay the tax with.' They handed him a denarius, and he said, 'Whose head is this? Whose name?' 'Caesar's' they replied. He then said to them, 'Very well, give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar - and to God what belongs to God'.

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1. Spend some time quietly reading and rereading the passage, noting the words/phrases that draw your attention.
2. What are you feeling as you reflect on this passage? (disturbance? complacency?.....?) What thoughts are stirred?
3. Take time to be with Jesus reflecting on what God has given to you that you can return to God. How might this Gospel affect your daily living?

For Conversation:

The struggle to let go of our dependency on wealth – as individuals, as Church...

NEW HEADTEACHER AT ST PHILIP'S

Congratulations and best wishes to Emily Cahill who has been appointed as Headteacher of St Philip's Primary School in Offerton. Emily was a parishioner of St Philip's until she got married to Stephen and moved to Cheadle. She is a former pupil of St Philip's and also taught at St Simon's. She follows Mrs Carol Hogan who retired on health grounds last summer. She has been acting headteacher on and off for the last couple of years and will be familiar with the joys and sorrows of the position. We wish her well.

ST PETER'S HELPERS

We are providing an '**emergency essential shopping / errands service**', for those people who are **suddenly** unable to get to the shops, due to sudden illness or the need to self isolate.

How to place a request for an emergency shop / errand: You can email us on stpetershelpers@gmail.com or if you do not have email, please call the church office on 0161 483 3476. We aim to respond within 24 hours.

If you need help more urgently, or do not have email, please call the church office on 0161 483 3476

ATTENDING MASS AT ST PETERS

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DURING THE WEEK YOU NO LONGER NEED TO BOOK, BUT YOU WILL BE REQUIRED TO FILL IN A TRACK AND TRACE FORM. BOOKING IS STILL REQUIRED FOR SATURDAY AND SUNDAY MASSES preferably by emailing admin@stpetershazeltgrove.org.uk. or you can phone 483 3476, but e-mailing is the best

E mail admin@stpetershazeltgrove.org.uk if you want to come to Mass

PLEASE DO NOT USE ANY OTHER PHONE NUMBERS TO BOOK PLACES AT MASS

St Peter's Church is now registered with the government track and trace mobile app, and users of the app can scan the QR code at the door to check in. Anybody not using the app should continue to sign in on paper. This is for all Masses and services in church.

For Mass at St Philip's on Saturday evening the same rules apply but you should contact David Smith. david.smith7220@ntlworld.com

YOU SHOULD NOW WEAR FACE COVERING WHILST YOU ARE IN CHURCH

IMPORTANT NOTE FOR BOOKING MASSES

Could I ask that when you ask to come to Mass over the weekend you only ask for one of the three Masses, Saturday lunchtime, Sunday morning or Sunday evening. Whilst we have not yet had to turn anyone away the Saturday and Sunday morning Masses are getting close to capacity and it would seem a pity if some are getting two Masses and others none. If you wish to attend Saturday and Sunday please indicate your preference and if there is still room at your second choice we will let you know on the day.

BEREAVEMENT GROUP

Our next Zoom meeting will be on Tuesday 27th October at 2.00 pm, if you have not joined us before and would like to then please get in touch with Rachel and she will send you the link, or you can connect with us by phone. We have a really good chat and always a laugh, plus prayer and reflection. If you would like to talk to us please do not hesitate to contact us. We are also having a Zoom meeting of Prayer and Reflection for the recently bereaved on Tuesday 20th October at 7.45 pm. Please get in touch if you would like to know more about either of the Zoom meetings.

Helen 07854928072 helenlyons1957@hotmail.co.uk

Rachel 07724749217 rachelemckay@icloud.com

PRAISE AND WORSHIP

We are delighted that Praise & Worship will take place online this coming Friday evening 23rd October 2020 at 7.30pm. We will have uplifting music from Fran & Dave Fitton and are pleased to welcome David Welch again from Hazel Grove Baptist Church as our speaker for the evening. David is going to share the next part of his faith journey with us and the impact it has had on his life. Our gathering will take place via zoom and if you would like to take part please email laurasmall92@outlook.com and a link to enable you to join will be sent out to you closer to the time.

SHINE.... Now's the time to shine!

We are hoping to produce another issue of Shine, our magazine that highlights what's going on in our two parish communities and we're looking to you to share items of interest. We're not looking to focus on COVID-19, but rather to inspire people. So here are some ideas to consider:

- ★ Have you started any new hobbies?
- ★ Any exciting family news you can share?
- ★ If you're involved in any parish group, how have you adapted in recent months?

If you managed to get away for a few days, did you do anything unusual?

This is the time to get your thinking caps on and share something interesting, cheerful or heartwarming. We're looking to publish Issue 12 of Shine at Christmas, so the very last day for sending your contributions will be Sunday 29 November. Words and pictures, please to terrythiele@hotmail.co.uk. We look forward to hearing from you. Thank you.

AMENDED INSTRUCTIONS FOR LISTENING TO MASS VIA THE PHONE

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.

The automated voice will say "Please enter the meeting password followed by Hash"

Then dial: 99#

Your 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

Offertory Gifts Thank you for your generous donations last week which amounted to £502.00 plus around £1000 per week by Standing Orders and on line giving at the moment.. Thank you to those who are putting their Offertory envelopes through the door and who have done the on line giving.. THE NEW SET OF OFFERTORY ENVELOPES FOR THE BEGINNING OF THE NEW FINANCIAL YEAR IN APRIL ARE STILL 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

MASS INTENTIONS

If you are making an offering for a Mass intention please make the cheque payable to **St Peter's Hazel Grove Stipend Account**.

Church Cleaning Team 2 is on duty this week

DIOCESAN VACANCY

Diocesan In-House Solicitor

The Diocese of Shrewsbury are looking to recruit an **In-House Solicitor**, who will be required to provide legal advice and support on a range of matters including employment and HR (including sponsor management for overseas workers), commercial, probate, litigation, and academy conversion. Based at the Curial Office in Birkenhead. Full details and application form can be found at <http://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/about-us/curia/vacancies>
Completed applications should be returned to recruitment@dioceseofshrewsbury.org

On October 4, the feast of St. Francis of Assisi, Pope Francis issued his latest encyclical, *Fratelli Tutti, On Fraternity and Social Friendship*. This is more than just another Church document. It is Pope Francis' "cry from the heart" to all people of the earth to see beyond their differences—indeed, to work *with* their differences—and begin to grow together to build a new and peaceful world.

Using the parable of the good Samaritan as a model, the pope lays out concrete ways to begin this process: listening to one another, caring for one another, reaching out beyond our own culture, and being willing to engage in honest and open dialogue. To achieve all this, we need to be like the good Samaritan—acting as a loving neighbor, leaving behind our self-imposed border walls (prejudice, judgmentalism), and taking the risk to encounter others as they are.

Returning again and again to themes he has developed throughout his papacy, Pope Francis speaks of the need for equality and justice for all, co-operation, caring for the most vulnerable, doing the hard work of learning to listen to and accompany others, and caring for the earth that nurtures and sustains us all.

The pope ends his letter to the world with this prayer to the Holy Spirit: "Come, Holy Spirit, show us your beauty, reflected in all the peoples of the earth, so that we may discover anew that all are important and all are necessary, different faces of the one humanity that God so loves."

You can download a copy of the encyclical from the Vatican website

http://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/encyclicals/documents/papa-francesco_20201003_enciclica-fratelli-tutti.html

Thank you for your ongoing generosity to the Red Boxes for Missio. Featured below is a message for World Mission Sunday from Fr Tony Chantry MHM who is the National Director for Missio

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY 2020



Autumn 2020

Dear Friend,

On 16 January 1981, I was called to a rare meeting with the General Superior of the Mill Hill Missionaries to receive my first appointment to a missionary area. After six years of seminary training, which included one year of missionary experience in Nairobi, I believed with some degree of youthful innocence and arrogance, that I was ready 'to go out and proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the nations'.

Generations of Mill Hill Missionaries had the same experience, though in former days the method of announcing appointments did not involve dialogue or explanation. At the appropriate time, those ready were gathered at the foot of the main staircase in St Joseph's College, Mill Hill. The General Superior would appear from on high with an alphabetical list of those to be appointed and then announced the name and their future missionary placement.

Though there was an atmosphere of joyful expectation, inevitably some were disappointed and others apprehensive about being sent to a place they had never heard of. Without exception everyone accepted his appointment without question. After all, for many years they had said to God, 'Here I am, send me!' Now their willingness had been answered.

By 1981 life had changed, and dialogue and consultation were the order of the day. I had expressed beforehand a desire to return to Kenya and I was granted my wish and sent to Kisumu.

My first few weeks in Kisumu were very challenging. The people were so kind and welcoming, so keen to understand and practice their faith, so naturally close to the mysteries of life that I often felt that they were the real missionaries. I was the disciple, still with much to learn.

Over the last 40 years of my life, I have learnt a vital lesson from this ancient tradition of 'sending out on mission'. None of us are fully prepared to be sent out to share the treasures of our faith, the Good News of new life in Jesus Christ. If we rely solely on our own resources, on our assumptions and our own personal vision, we are bound to fail.

Our celebration this World Mission Sunday is focused on our willingness to be sent, not our ability or readiness to be sent. 'Here I am, Lord, just as I am, a willing but unlikely candidate. I am in your hands. Send me!'

This is a golden opportunity for us all to support, with prayer and charity, those communities across the world who are as willing as we are to hear and respond to God's call.

In his message for World Mission Sunday 2020, the Pope says that we all have a mission and that mission is a free and conscious response to God's call to share his love with all humanity. Over the last few months, the fragility of life has been all too apparent, but we have also seen that when we stand together in solidarity with one another and share our resources, hope is renewed.

On 18 October – World Mission Sunday – we have an opportunity to consider God's question: 'Whom shall I send?' and to think about how best we can respond and support all those who have responded with brave and generous hearts: 'Here I am, send me!' God continues to seek those whom he can send throughout the world to bear witness to his love.

I thank you for your support of World Mission Sunday in the past, and assure you that your generosity and prayers this World Mission Sunday mean that people like Sr Nílceála (see *Mission Today* page 12) can keep serving and sharing God's love.

She is just one example of many selfless missionaries who live and work amongst some of the most vulnerable communities in the world.

Missio empowers the Catholic Church globally, showing the love of Christ to everyone, especially to those in need. Your donations keep health clinics and schools open, train tomorrow's generation of Priests and Sisters, and create a vibrant Catholic Church for the future.

We hope you find that the stories, updates and reflections in *Mission Today* inspire you to pray for, and take part in, the mission of Jesus to share God's love with everyone. Your prayers and any gift you can share are crucial to the lives of countless people throughout the world. Thank you.






With my very best wishes,

Father Tony.

Fr Anthony Chantry
Missio National Director

My Mission Prayer

You can make a donation:

-  **Send a cheque:** Make it payable to Missio and post it to World Mission Sunday, 23 Eccleston Square, London SW1V 1NU
-  **Give online:** Visit missio.org.uk/donate and select 'World Mission Sunday'
-  **Give via text:** Text **MISSIO 5** (to donate £5) or **MISSIO 10** (to donate £10) to **70085**
This costs £5 or £10 plus your standard rate message
-  **Give via phone:** Call us on **020 7821 9755** during office hours to donate with your credit or debit card
-  **Bank transfer:**
Account Name: Missio
Sort Code: 16-00-16
Account Number: 10824230
Reference: WMS + your postcode

Thank you!

Here I am, Lord,
send me
to share your love
with all people.
May I be empowered
and carried by you
to be courageous
and enthusiastic
in bearing faithful witness
to the merciful Father,
to the love of his Son,
Jesus Christ,
and to the divine life
in the Holy Spirit,
one God forever and ever.

Amen

