

That the planet's resources will not be plundered, but shared in a just and respectful manner.



THE WORD OF GOD

FIRST READING:

ISAIAH 50-5-9

PSALM 114

I WILL WALK IN THE PRESENCE OF THE LORD

Second Reading

James 2: 14-18

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia alleluia!

I am the Way, The Truth and the Life, says the Lord: no one can come to the Father except through me.
Alleluia!

Gospel Reading:

Mark 8 27-35

YOU ARE THE CHRIST

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

will be celebrated in the sacristy on Saturdays during Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

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
YOU WILL NO LONGER NEED TO BOOK A PLACE FOR MASS BUT
YOU ARE ASKED TO SIGN THE TRACK AND TRACE FORM AND TO
WEAR A MASK**

LIFTING OF LOCKDOWN RESTRICTIONS

As you know the restrictions on attending church were lifted on 19th July and we are approaching 'normality'. Please allow people their space in church and please continue to wear a mask in church. Listen carefully to the announcements about the distribution of Holy Communion in the main body of the church. The distribution of Holy Communion will revert to the normal arrangement of approaching the sanctuary and in St Peters Communion will also be distributed in the Gallery.

READERS ARE ASKED TO 'VOLUNTEER' BY SIGNING THE LIST IN THE SACRISTY FOR SEPTEMBER'S MASSES ORDINARY TIME WEEK XXII

Divine Office Psalter Week II

ALL MASSES FROM ST PETERS WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE LIVE STREAM

www.churchservices.tv/stockport

Saturday 11th September 2021

11-11.45 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
12 Noon Neil Hammond RIP
6.00 pm Polish Mass
6.00 pm Mass at St. Phillips - Sheila Smiths Intentions (Dunn)
Readings: 1 Timothy 1: 15-17; Psalm 112; Luke 6: 43-49

Sunday 12th September – TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

8 30 a.m People of the Parish
10 00 a.m Christopher Henaghan
6 00 p.m Gerard Tipping RIP
Readings: Isaiah 50:5-9; Psalm 114; James 2: 14-18; Mark 8: 27-35

DAY OF SPECIAL PRAYER FOR EDUCATION

Monday 13th September 2021 – St. John Chrysostom, B, D

12 Noon Service of Word and Communion
Readings: 1 Timothy 2: 1-8; Psalm 27; Luke 7: 1-10

Tuesday 14th September 2021 - EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROS

12 .00 pm Regina Broadbent RIP
Readings Numbers 21: 4-9; Psalm 77; Philippians 2: 6-11; John 3:13-17

Wednesday 15th September 2021 – Our Lady of Sorrows

12.00 Noon Service of Word and Communion
Readings: Hebrews 5:7-9; Psalm 30; John 19: 25-27

Thursday 16th September 2021 - Ss Cornelius, P.M and Cyrian, B, M

12 Noon Aofie Nolan RIP
Readings: 1 Timothy 4: 12-16; Psalm 48; Luke 8: 1-3

Friday 17th September 2021 - St Robert Bellarmine B, D

12 Noon Service of Word and Communion
Readings: 1 Timothy 6: 2-12; Psalm 48; Luke 8: 1-3

Saturday 18th September 2021

11-11.45 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
12 Noon Mark Robert Smith - birthday memories
6.00 pm Polish Mass
6.00 pm Mass at St. Phillips - Audrey Kenny RIP
Readings: 1 Timothy 1: 15-17; Psalm 112; Luke 6: 43-49

Sunday 19th September 2021 – TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

8 30 a.m People of the Parish
10 00 a.m Kath Gingell RIP
6 00 p.m Colleen and Peter Whittam RIP
Readings: Wisdom 2:12.17-20; Psalm 53; James 3: 16-4:3 Mark 9:30-37

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER FOR HOME MISSION

Please remember to wear face masks and sanitise your hands coming in and going out of church and keep to social distancing including sitting away from the aisles as much as possible.

DO NOT COME TO CHURCH IF YOU HAVE ANY SYMPTOMS - SNEEZING, COUGHING, SORE THROAT ETC



Your prayers are asked for

The sick - and remembering, all the sick in the parish especially those 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: Patricia Dearman and former parishioners Regina Broadbent and Maureen Rushworth

Anniversaries that occur around this time: Christopher Henaghan, Ernestine Knot, David Stewart, Neil Hammond, Mary Earlam, Patrick Smith, Frances Smith, William McDermot, Michael Mahon, Anna McGarth, Desmond Rochford, Peggy Cummings, Hentry Booth, Phyllis Watts, Joan Burgess, Joan Doherty, Vincent Carroll, Kenneth Wright, Kathleen Gingell.

Baptism: Welcome to Leo James Bayly, Aurora Grace Bayly and Natalia Helena Panek who were baptised here last weekend.

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 web-

Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)

Mark 8:27-35

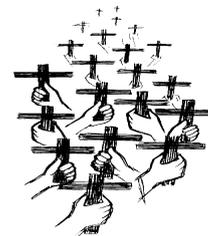
Jesus and his disciples left for the villages round Caesarea Philippi. On the way he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say I am?' And they told him. 'John the Baptist,' they said 'others Elijah; others again, one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he asked 'who do you say I am?' Peter spoke up and said to him, 'You are the Christ'. And he gave them strict orders not to tell anyone about him.

And he began to teach them that the Son of Man was destined to suffer grievously, to be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes, and to be put to death, and after three days to rise again; and he said all this quite openly. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. But, turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said to him, 'Get behind me, Satan! Because the way you think is not God's way but man's.' He called the people and his disciples to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it.

1. Spend some time quietly reading and rereading the passage, noting the words/phrases that draw your attention.
2. Take time to reflect on times when, like Peter, you have struggled to accept Christ's words.
3. Jesus the Christ, the suffering Messiah – what place has such as Messiah in our world today?
4. Take time in prayer to pray for the grace to know more clearly the Christ you are following.

For Conversation:

Cross bearers who have inspired you.



40 DAYS FOOR LIFE Steve Conlon writes:

I would like to invite you to '40 days for life' vigil outside 136 Chester road Hazel Grove NUPAS Abortion facility. 40 Days for life is a non denominational global organisation committed to ending abortion. It has been endorsed by Pope Francis and we have this Autumn from the 22nd September to 31st October an opportunity to Join with our fellow Christians around the world to put an end to Abortion in Our parish boundaries. If you are interested in helping Dan Chamberlin and myself in holding a prayerful vigil for 40 days can you contact me on 07702 828984 www.40daysforlife.com

WHAT'S STARTING UP AGAIN SOON

CHOIRS

Choir practices will be resuming this week. New members will be most welcome and 'old' ones will be welcome back!

Adult choir: Thursday 8.00-9.30.

Junior choir: Friday 5.45-6.30.

For more details contact Eileen Rigg on 07766-405588 or emrigg@hotmail.co.uk

ALSO COMING SOON

Children's Liturgy will be starting up again

ROSARY PRAYER GROUP

The Rosary prayer group is starting up again after the long break! It will take place fortnightly in the parish meeting room at 7.30pm on Tuesday evenings beginning on 14th September. The rosary is prayed in a very similar manner to the online rosary which was broadcast daily from church, but with the friendship and support which comes from meeting and praying together. All are welcome, please feel free just to turn up or if you would prefer phone Laura on 01625 876752

THANK YOU..THANK YOU THANK YOU.... for your amazing generosity:

Firstly our school uniform appeal:

£1617 was raised for uniforms which was distributed proportionately between our primary schools. Additionally **£284 was collected for book bags** and we were able to purchase **45** of these for distribution. Finally **30+ PE bags** were made by some very industrious sewers. The schools, (which had identified these 3 needs) were absolutely overwhelmed with this warm hearted response, and asked that their gratitude and very sincere thanks be conveyed to parishioners.

Secondly our Afghan refugee appeal.

Apart from the 5 car loads of vital emergency items taken within a couple of days of the appeal being launched, we have been able to hand over to Caritas a total of £3510 with enough gift forms to ensure the amount will exceed £4000! The staff at Caritas were deeply appreciative of our efforts and sent their heartfelt thanks. Though material donations are on hold for the moment, money contributions are still desperately needed. If you have been away or have not yet been able to make your contribution, but still wish to, please place it in an envelope clearly marked 'Caritas Afghan Appeal' and place it in the presbytery letterbox. If you are a tax payer you may increase the value of your contribution by gift-aiding it. Gift Aid forms can be found in the porch. Thank you

SPONSORED WALK Phillip Egerton has done his sponsored walk fundraising for PROSTATE CANCER UK, and would like to thank all those who sponsored him. You can still donate to his JustGiving page which is, www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Philip-Egerton to help[him reach his target. JustGiving is simple, fast and totally secure. Once you donate, they'll send your money directly to **PROSTATE CANCER UK**, so it's the most efficient way to give - saving time and cutting costs for the charity.

Manchester Marathon 2021 – Philip Kok Shun will be running the Manchester Marathon on Sunday 10th October in aid of **THE CHRISTIE CHARITY**, who deliver a brilliant service to those diagnosed with cancer and their families, over and above what the NHS provides. Any donations big or small would be greatly appreciated, either through JustGiving at www.justgiving.com/fundraising/philipsmarathonmadness, or on the sponsorship form found at the back of church.

The past year has been tough for many charities and their fundraising efforts, and the Christie is no exception. For all the great work they do for so many at such a difficult time, please do consider lending your support. Good luck Philip!

SVP WALK

Normally this SVP WALK is on the first Sunday in June.

For obvious reasons this is now rescheduled for **Sunday September 19th** and showing my lack of imagination it is at the same old venue. **Higher Poynton** I will be at a table on that day from 11.45am to “book” people in. Again, we will encourage “gift aid” and also for parishioners to support even if they have no plans to attend and to walk. Thank you Kevin

ST PETER'S BOOK CLUB

Our next meeting will be in person in the Member's Lounge - the Parish Centre, on Tuesday, 21st September at 7.30pm

It would be lovely to see everyone again - so please do join us for a drink and a chat. For further information or to arrange a lift on the night please contact Alison McGarr on 07792 107152.

A few of our members have left some books in the porch, at the back of Church, please take any of them if you wish.

CARDS ARE BACK!

Handmade birthday and occasion cards will be on sale after both the 08.30 and 10.00 Masses TODAY. All proceeds from the sales will be donated to the Caritas Salford Appeal for refugees from Afghanistan, so this is an excellent opportunity to obtain your cards and give to charity at the same time. There is a huge variety to choose from, all individually hand made and very reasonably priced (£0.50 - £2.50).

BAPTISM COURSE

The next course will take place on the following dates, we are not sure yet whether it will be TEAMS or in the Parish Centre. For more information or to book on the course contact Karen on justasec55@hotmail.com or call 07939052357

Sunday 7th November 2021 & Sunday 14th November 2021

Sunday 5th December 2021 & Sunday 12th December 2021

CCRS (Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies) begins this month with in-person classes

on Thursday morning 16th September at St Columba's Chester. There is also an online learning option, with an in-person seminar in Wythenshawe or Birkenhead. This is an excellent course for anyone who would like to learn more about our faith or lead in a school or parish. Please register in advance - information is available from ccrs@dioceseofshrewsbury.org

THANK YOU

The family of the late Irene Darcy would like to thank the person/persons unknown who kindly arranged for a Mass to be said for her recently. It was greatly appreciated.” Thank you and God bless you.”

ITEMS FOR THE NEWSLETTER

These should be in by Thursday evening at the latest for inclusion in the weekend bulletin

OFFERTORY GIFTS Thank you for your generous Offerings last week which amounted to £699.40 plus online giving last month came to over £1000 per week. Thank you to those who are putting their Offertory envelopes through the door and who have done the on line giving.. 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 are putting several weeks collection in at the same time you only need to use one envelope. . 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

There are now some boxes of envelopes for people who do not do Gift Aid available in the church porch

→→→→SAFEGUARDING←←←←

Our parish safeguarding officer was Sean Downey who has relocated to Leicester so there is a vacancy for a Parish Safeguarding Officer. If anyone would like to know more about it then please get in touch with Fr Peter

Church Cleaning: Team 1 are on this week

LOURDES HOSPITALITY

You are invited to attend the AGM on **Sunday 12 September at 2pm at St Columba's, Plas Newton Lane, Chester, CH2 1PL**. Attend in person or via Zoom. If possible please register your attendance and make requests for the password, apologies or items for the agenda to secretary@teamshrewsbury.co.uk or text/call 07451 249267.

On Zoom: Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81692383233?pwd=dEINSjkzdIRKQ2pjbldTWkdSG1CZz09>

Meeting ID: 816 9238 3233

You can also call in if you don't have access to Zoom on +44 203 481 5237. The agenda and draft minutes of the previous AGM can be found.

SCHOOL VACANCIES

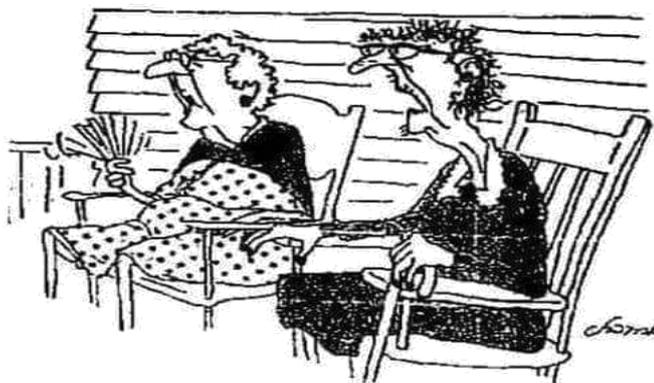
St Peter's RC Primary School, **Stalybridge**, are looking for a new Deputy Head.

Please contact admin@st-peters.tameside.sch.uk to arrange a visit.

The full advert can be found on the Shrewsbury Diocesan website; for application forms etc contact

Sue.Jenkinson@dioceseofshrewsbury.org

The Governing Board of St Philip's Catholic Primary School is seeking to appoint a Deputy Headteacher committed to and enthusiastic about their Catholic faith. We are looking for a Deputy Headteacher who is hardworking, caring and a highly motivated individual. Visits to the school are warmly welcomed, please contact the Headteacher, Emily Cahill to arrange an appointment.



I'm getting so old that all my friends in heaven will think I didn't make it.

From Fr. Peter