

POPE'S INTENTIONS FOR 2022
MAY
FOR FAITH-FILLED
YOUNG PEOPLE

We pray for all young people,
called to live life in the fullest;
may they see in Mary's life the
way to listen, the depth of dis-
cernment, the courage that
faith generates and the
dedication to service.



**THE WORD OF
GOD**

FIRST READING:

**ACTS 5:
27-32.40-41**

PSALM 29:

**I WILL PRAISE YOU,
LORD, YOU HAVE RES-
CUED ME**

SECOND READING:

APOCALYPSE 5: 11-14

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ALLELUIA ALLELUIA!

CHRIST HAS RISEN:HE

WHO CREATED ALL

THINGS,AND HAS

GRANTED HIS MERCY TO

MEN

ALLELUIA!

GOSPEL READING:

JOHN 21: 1-19

'FEED MY LAMBS'

**'LOOK AFTER MY
SHEEP'**

'FEED MY SHEEP'

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**YOU ARE ALL WELCOME TO OUR PARISH COMMUNITIES
MASKS ARE NOT MANDATORY BUT YOU MAY PREFER TO WEAR ONE**

EASTER WEEK III

Divine Office Psalter Week III

**ALL MASSES FROM ST PETERS WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE LIVE STREAM
www.churchservices.tv/stockport**



Mother of
God
Local
Mission-
ary Area
in
Stockport

Saturday 30TH April 2022

11.00 –11.45 am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

12 Noon Peter Wilkinson RIP

6.00 pm Mass at St. Phillips - Mary McDermott RIP

Readings: Acts 6: 1-7; Psalm 32; John 6: 16-21

Sunday 1st May 2022 - THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

8.30 am Barbara Martin RIP

10.00 am Tom and Claire Dolan RIP

6.00 pm People of the Parish

Readings : Acts 5: 27-32.40-41; Psalm 29: Apocalypse 5: 11-14;John 21: 1-19

Monday 2nd May - St. Athanasius

12 Noon Mascarenhas Intention

Readings: Acts 6: 8-15; Psalm 118; John 6: 22-29

Tuesday 3rd May 2022 - Ss Philip & James

12 Noon Requiem Mass for John Holdaway

2 00 p.m. Mass in St Philip's School for the feast

Readings: 1 Corinthians 15: 1-8; Psalm 18; John 14: 6-14

Wednesday 4th May 2022—The English Martyrs

9.15 am. Mass at St. Phillips - Mary Kirkham

12 noon Service of Word and Communion

Readings Acts: 7: 55-60; Psalm 30; Matthew 10: 17-20

Thursday 5th May 2022

12 Noon Service of Word and Communion

1 45 p.m. Crematorium Service for Ida Thorpe

Readings : Acts 8: 26-40; Psalm 65;John 6: 44-51

Friday 6th May 2022

12 Noon Service of Word and Communion

6.00-8.00 pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Readings: Acts 9: 1-20; Psalm 116: 52-59

Saturday 7th May 2022

11.00 –11.45 am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

12 Noon Peter Carrahar RIP

6.00 pm Mass at St. Phillips - Brian Labon

6. 00 pm Mass in Polish - St Peters

7 15 pm Mass in Syro Malabar Rite St Peter s

Readings: Acts 9: 31-42;Psalm 115; John 6: 60-69

Sunday 8th May 2022 - FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

8.30 am Frances McCartney RIP

10.00 am Bill and Muriel Christie

6.00 pm People of the Parish

Readings : Acts 13: 14. 43-52; Psalm 99; Apocalypse 7: 9.14-17;John 10: 27-30

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

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

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS TO PRIESTHOOD
DIACONATE AND RELIGIOUS**

CHRIST IS RISEN! ALLELUIA!

Sick - 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: Fr. Robin Sutton, Fr. David Peters. Ida Thorp whose Funeral Service will be held at Stockport Crematorium on Thursday 5th May at 2.15 pm in the Cypress Chapel. John Holdaway's Requiem Mass is here on Tuesday May 3rd at 12 noon. Fr David Peters' funeral will be at **Holy Family Sale Moor** on Monday May 9th at 7 00 p.m. and Tuesday May 10th at 11 30 a.m.

Baptisms: We welcome into our Communities Ava Leonor and Lara Georgia Speakman, who were Baptised here last Saturday and Scarlet Elizabeth Mounsey who was Baptised at St. Phillips last Sunday

Anniversaries that occur around this time: Bill Christie, Joan Whittam, Edward Gaughan, Therese Hanson, George Thornley, Frances Oulton, Barbara Martin, Doris Head, Elizabeth O'Reilly, Maureen Kennern, Alexander Murphy, Terence McConville, Tony Devoy, June Whittaker, Stanley Mitchell, Peter Carrahar, Moira Drain, Kenneth Lupton, Helga Bartley, Sheila Durdey, Pamela Autheson, Jose' Matos, Margaret Barrow, Mary Jackson, May McCormack, William Gingell, Cecilia Hillier, Josephine Sherry, Stella Brennan.

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.

Third Sunday of Easter (Year C)

John 21:1-19

Later on, Jesus showed himself again to the disciples. It was by the Sea of Tiberias, and it happened like this: Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee and two more of his disciples were together. Simon Peter said, 'I'm going fishing'. They replied, 'We'll come with you'. They went out and got into the boat but caught nothing that night. It was light by now and there stood Jesus on the shore, though the disciples did not realise that it was Jesus. Jesus called out, 'Have you caught anything, friends?' And when they answered, 'No', he said, 'Throw the net out to starboard and you'll find something'. So they dropped the net, and there were so many fish that they could not haul it in. The disciple Jesus loved said to Peter, 'It is the Lord'. At these words 'It is the Lord', Simon Peter, who had practically nothing on, wrapped his cloak round him and jumped into the water. The other disciples came on in the boat, towing the net and the fish; they were only about a hundred yards from land. As soon as they came ashore they saw that there was some bread there, and a charcoal fire with fish cooking on it. Jesus said, 'Bring some of the fish you have just caught'. Simon Peter went aboard and dragged the net to the shore, full of big fish, one hundred and fifty-three of them; and in spite of there being so many the net was not broken. Jesus said to them, 'Come and have breakfast'. None of the disciples was bold enough to ask, 'Who are you?'; they knew quite well it was the Lord. Jesus then stepped forward, took the bread and gave it to them, and the same with the fish. This was the third time that Jesus showed himself to the disciples after rising from the dead. After the meal Jesus said to Simon Peter, 'Simon son of John, do you love me more than these others do?' He answered, 'Yes Lord, you know I love you'. Jesus said to him, 'Feed my lambs'. A second time he said to him, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' He replied, 'Yes, Lord, you know I love you'. Jesus said to him, 'Look after my sheep'. Then he said to him a third time, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' Peter was upset that he asked him the third time, 'Do you love me?' and said, 'Lord, you know everything; you know I love you'. Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep. I tell you most solemnly, when you were young you put on your own belt and walked where you liked; but when you grow old you will stretch out your hands, and somebody else will put a belt round you and take you where you would rather not go.' In these words he indicated the kind of death by which Peter would give glory to God. After this he said, 'Follow me'.
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1. Spend some time quietly reading and rereading the passage.
2. Note the words/phrases that draw your attention.
3. Imagine the scene. Standing in the shoes of the different disciples, what do you notice...? Feel...?
4. You find yourself talking with Jesus about all that is in your heart.
5. What word of hope do you take from your time with him?



For Conversation

Moments when you too have said 'It is the Lord'.

ST PETERS BEREAVEMENT GRPUP Our next meeting will be on Tuesday 17th May when we will be having a talk and reflection . Please join us in the Members Lounge at 2.00 pm. If you have not joined us before and would like to please contact Helen: admin@stpetershazelgrove.org.uk or ring 07854928072.

FOOTSTEPS

Join us on **Thursday 19 May at 7.30pm** in the **parish centre** to hear **Mary Hardiman** present her thoughts on "What I want is mercy". Always a captivating and thought provoking speaker, Mary will be looking at what mercy means and how it reflects the heart of God. She will offer examples from the gospels and suggestions on how we can practise mercy. Footsteps is a series of talks by people who can help us on our Christian journey. We offer an informal café-style setting with refreshments, nibbles and a pleasant community feel. We'd love you to be there!

UKRAINE

The Disasters Emergency Committee including CAFOD are making an appeal to help those fleeing the war in the Ukraine. And the appeal will be matched pound for pound by the UK government up to £20 million and of course it can be gift aided. Cheques should be made payable to Cafod and we will send them direct and if you are a UK taxpayer please add a note to that effect with your name and address. Alternatively you can pay online at www.ded.org.uk/appeal/ukraine-humanitarian-appeal.

You can also give to Caritas at www.caritas.org but cannot gift aid this as Caritas are an international charity. Also the Ukrainian Club in Great Moor are co-ordinating with the Ukrainian Association of Great Britain and the Ukrainian Catholic Church. www.gofundme.com/f/helpukraine

Stockport Baptist Church are collecting blankets and warm clothes. Please **DO NOT** bring these to St Peters only to the Stockport Baptist Church.

HOMES FOR UKRAINE if you are able to host a family or individuals from Ukraine there is a Facebook Group that has information of people in need of a temporary home. It has been set up by two ladies in Bramhall, they have many displaced people needing help. For more information speak to Helen 07854928072, helenlyons1957@hotmail.co.uk.

ST PETER'S REFUGEE PROJECT

We can now confirm that the Local Authority has inspected the house and the application form has been sent off to Caritas and then the Home Office for final approval. We will be able to gain access to the house from the 1st June and will then be furnishing and doing a few DIY jobs (fortunately very little needs to be done). We hope to welcome our family in late June/early July. If you wish to support financially, you may do so by bank transfer to St Peter's Refugee Account, Lloyds Bank - Sort code 30 15 52 Account number - 59655360

Once again, may we take this opportunity to thank everybody for their support - please do keep the project in your prayers.

ALPHA STARTING AFTER EASTER

Sign up for Alpha via the church website. Alpha started last Thursday, 28th April 7 p.m - 9 p.m. The Alpha Course runs for 10 weeks in the Parish centre, and there are still places available if you would like to join. Alpha is a place to ask the big questions about life. It's a chance to get together and watch a series of episodes that consider the basics of the Christian faith. Relevant to all - open to all - wherever you are on the journey. Not done Alpha before? - contact mckay7897@hotmail.com or speak to Fr Peter or Deacon John for more details. Click on 'Alpha 2022' on the home page of the parish website to sign up. If you've done Alpha before, why not come and join the team? Send us an email if you'd like to help out. All welcome.

DON'T FORGET →→→→→SHINE SHINE SHINE – CALL FOR ARTICLES

If you've been thinking about your contribution to the next issue of Shine, our parish magazine, it's now time to consider the finishing touches! Please send your articles and photos to terrythiele@hotmail.co.uk by **Sunday 1 May**. As you'll see in previous issues of Shine, it's a great way of sharing what's going on in our parish communities in Offerton and Hazel Grove, what hobbies you might have, what your parish group has been doing etc. If you haven't got Email don't let that stop you – just hand your papers and photos to Fr Peter in an envelope marked for Terry Thiele. It's time to Shine.

WALKING GROUP :

We are proposing a walk across Morecambe Bay on 23rd July. The walk is about 5 miles and takes 3 hours there are stops across to enable groups to catch up. There are charities arranging this and we are going with Hearing Dogs. There are no hills or inclines but there is a river to cross so you will get your feet wet. If you are interested please put your name on the list at the back of church. Hopefully we will have fuller details time / cost etc. at a later date. Subject to numbers we can either arrange a coach or train from Hazel Grove

PARISH MEETING

Following the recent Synod Report from the Bishop, we are going to hold a Parish Meeting on Tuesday 24th May at 8.00 pm in the Parish Centre. This will be to reflect on the Synod Report and also discuss ideas for going forward as a Parish. The full report along with the discernment article from Bishop Davies can be found on the Parish Website. It would be great if as many people as possible could attend, this is an exciting opportunity to share your views and ideas for how the Parish can go forward over the next 12 months.

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE

There is a small group who have indicated an interest in going to the Holy Land in November and there are still plenty of places available if anyone else wishes to join us. November 7th-14th. 5 nights in Bethlehem and 2 nights in Galilee. Price starts at £1095 for sharing. If anyone is interested, let Fr. Peter know or look it up on www.northernstartravel.com/Tour/Holy-Land-from-Manchester-20

QUEENS PLATINUM JUBILEE to celebrate this very special occasion we are having a Sunday Lunch on the 5th June in the Parish Centre at 12.30 for 1.00 pm. The cost will be £12 per head for a 3 Course meal. If you would like to attend please email the office admin@stpetershazलगrove.org.uk, or contact the office, with your name, how many places you require and any dietary requirements. and telephone number by May 19th. We have limited number so book early to avoid disappointment. Cheques made payable to St. Peter Church.

MISSIO

All red box holders are invited to attend the Shrewsbury Diocesan Mass for Missio with Bishop Mark Davies on **WEDNESDAY 11th May 2022 at 7pm**; St Michael & All Angels Church, New Hey Road, Woodchurch, Birkenhead CH49 5LE

OFFERTORY GIFTS Thank you for your generous Offerings last week which amounted to £759.27 plus online giving last month came to over £1100 per week. Thank you to those who are putting their Offertory envelopes through the door and to those who have done the on line giving. St. Philips Offertory amounted to £1053.90 (This figure includes someone who has brought their Offertory giving 'up to date' after being away from church during the pandemic. Many thanks) 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.

THE NEW WAY OF GIVING

Thank you to those who have started using our credit/debit card reader. We hope you will soon master it!. 'Dona' is fixed in the porch so you can use it coming in or going out of church. Eventually we will be able to use it for Mass offerings, piety stall and any other transaction for the parish but for the time being we will use it just for the Offertory Collection. If you want to Gift Aid your offering you can do this at the same time. The first time you do this you will be asked to fill in some details but after that it will remember!!!.

Church Cleaning: Team 4 are on this week

READERS

There is a list in the Sacristy for volunteers to read, at Sunday Masses, during May. New readers are always welcome.

ST PETER'S BOOK CLUB

This month we have opted to go with **The Lamplighters by Emma Stonex**. Based on the true story of the disappearance of three lighthouse keepers off the Hebrides in 1900, this book is set in 1972 and off the Cornwall coast - it is described as a whodunnit, horror novel, ghost story and a psychological mystery. **This is Going to Hurt: Secret Diaries of a Junior Doctor by Adam Kay** - essentially a publication of the diaries Adam Kay kept while he was a junior doctor working for the NHS. **Winter Garden by Kristin Hannah is set between the present and war-torn Leningrad - it is a story about mothers and daughters and sisters and how they overcome their own personal tragedies.**

Our next meeting will be in the Member's Lounge at 7.30pm on Tuesday 17th May - please do join us if you can. For further information telephone Alison McGarr on 07792 107152.

ST PETERS HELPERS WEEKLY SESSIONS FOR REFUGEES

Our team of dedicated volunteers have worked tirelessly, with your support, to provide weekly sessions of play, crafts, refreshments and English lessons for an average of 50 adults and children every week, since October. THANK YOU to all our volunteers. This valuable work is still needed, as people continue to arrive, both families and individuals. You can express your interest in volunteering by visiting <https://sites.google.com/view/st-peters-helpers/home> or contact stpetershelpers@gmail.com

St Peter's Helpers are also holding a **DROP IN FOR A CUPPA AND CHAT** session this Thursday 5th May 2-3.30 in the Parish Centre. All welcome especially those people who are just starting to venture out a little more and would like a safe, friendly place to say hello to others.

SCHOOLS FOODBANK Thank you so sincerely to all our anonymous donors who quietly and consistently place food items in the bins in the porch to support needy families within our school communities. A couple of weeks prior to the Easter break we were able to deliver 18 bags of food to them. Both schools and families are deeply appreciative of your kindness. May you and your families be richly blessed for your continued commitment to this project.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES: *Now that all Covid restrictions have been eased, it is wonderful that once again we can return to Lourdes. Our Diocesan Pilgrimage will take place from 29 July - 4 August by air and 28 July - 5 August overland. Prices start from as little as £440 which includes travel, full board accommodation and full pilgrimage programme. Further details and booking forms are available to download from the Pilgrimage Website www.shrewsburypilgrimage.co.uk or from the Pilgrimage Office, Curial Offices, 2 Park Rd South, Prenton, Wirral, CH43 4 UX.*

From Fr Peter

I am sure that those of you who remember him were sorry to learn of the death of Fr Robin Sutton early this week who was an assistant priest here from 1984-89 and served with Fr David Peters who also died recently and then Fr John McManus and Fr John Rafferty. More recently he lived in Wallasey following his retirement and then as his health deteriorated he was admitted to Nazareth House in Birkenhead where he died. Amongst his appointments Fr Robin was chaplain at Tranmere Rovers and they could do with his prayers now as they push for the play offs. We have other teams to pray for at the moment. Fr David Peter's funeral will take place at Holy Family, Sale Moor on Monday May 9th with a Vigil Mass at 7 00 p.m. and on Tuesday May 10th with a Requiem Mass at 11 30 a.m. Car Parking is limited on site but available on surrounding roads

Fr Peter