

OFFERTORY GIFTS Thank you for your generous offerings last week which amounted to £1059.65 giving last month came to £3850-17 and £1016-97 from the card machine. I understand the machine had stored some amounts given whilst it was not connecting to the internet hence the large amount but we think its ok now. St. Philip's Offertory amounted to £405. 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**

CHURCH CLEANING IN ST PETERS Team **3** are on duty this week.

SCOUTS

Meeting Times for 2nd Hazel Grove Scout Group - St Peter's Scout Hut Brownies - Monday - 6.30pm to 7.45pm Cubs - Tuesday - 7:00pm - 8:30pm Guides - Tuesday - 7.45pm to 9.15pm Beavers - Wednesday - 6:00pm - 7:15pm Scouts - Wednesday - 7:30pm to 9:00pm

Contact: samantha.panjeta@ladybrookvalleyscouts.org.uk or ring **Samantha on 07748308514**

SING FOR LIFE and help prostate cancer—please see poster at the back of Church.

FOUNDATION GOVERNORS FOR PRIMARY SCHOOLS

There are vacancies for Foundation Governors at St Philip's School and also at St Ambrose in Adswood. You do not need experience nor an educational background. Foundation Governors represent the bishop and the diocese and oversee the organisation of the school. If you would like to consider this either see Fr Peter or look up the education website part of www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org.

FOOD BANK APPEAL

Stocks are again running low at the Food Bank, and as our parish is one of its most reliable suppliers, we have received a new appeal for help to replenish the store. Items especially needed include tinned meats, fruits, vegetables, fish and baked beans. Shampoos are also in short supply, but cereals and pasta are not needed currently. Please help if you can. A special `thank you' to those kind parishioners whose regular contributions keep us delivering a carload to the food bank every 4 to 6 weeks. Please place your contributions in (or near) the bin at the back of the Church. Thank you.

LOURDES HOSPITALITY

The Lourdes Hospitality Predeparture Mass, for this year's Pilgrimage, will take place at 11.00am on Sunday 20th July at St Mary's Church, Gatefield Street, Crewe CW1 2JP. This will be followed by light refreshments in the Caritas Centre and a Hospitality Meeting starting at 1.15pm. All Hospitality members are invited to attend .

LOURDES BY JUMBULANCE

Chester Across Group are going to Lourdes on 14th to 23rd August. There are vacancies for sick and disabled pilgrims and for nurses and helpers. For more information, please contact Tony Murphy on 07881-656-974 or tonymurphyefc2002@yahoo.co.uk

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

The Lourdes Management Team have launched a 'wish list' to support our assisted pilgrims. Supporters of the pilgrimage can directly help by purchasing equipment to support their care in the Accueil alongside items to enhance and enrich their all-round experiences in Lourdes.

To view the Wishlist and purchase items for the Pilgrimage please follow this link: https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/42FRNUVO3GUX?ref=wl_share

PRAYER PETITIONS TO THE GROTTO OF LOURDES

If you wish to send a prayer petition to the Grotto of Lourdes then please place it in an envelope sealed and without any money in it and mark it Lourdes petition and you can leave it in the sacristy or put it on the Offertory basket or post it to the presbytery by Friday July 25th

FROM FR. PETER

Two of our primary schools break up this week with St Simon's following on next week. We wish our leavers well as they go on to pastures new, and the next stage of their education journey. Before they know it they will be looking at Aquinas College!

As you will now be aware io shall be celebrating 50 years as a priest next Saturday lunchtime and I hope as many of you as possible will join me for the midday Mass with some friends and family and brother priests from around the diocese.. Thank you to all tose who have been and are involved in the preparations and I hope –holidays permiotting—many of you will come along.In the mean time, keepcool and enjoy the summer!

Fr Peter

**POPE'S INTENTIONS
JULY**

For formation in Discernment
Let us pray that we might again learn how to discern, to know how to choose paths of life and reject everything that leads us away from Christ and the gospel

**THE WORD
OF GOD**

**FIRST READING:
DEUTERONOMY 30:
10-14**

**PSALM 68:
SEEK GOD, YOU
WHO ARE POOR,AND
YOUR HEARTS WILL
REVIVE**

**SECOND READING:
COLOSSIANS 1:
15-20**

**GOSPEL
ACCLAMATION:**

**ALLELUIA ALLELUIA!
YOUR WORDS, O
LORD,ARE SPIRIT
AND LIFE;YOU HAVE
THE WORDS OF
ETERNAL LIFE
ALLELUIA!**

GOSPEL READINGS:

**LUKE 10:
25-37**

**‘YOU
GO ,AND
DO
LIKEWISE’**

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated in the Sacristy on Saturday morning during Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

St Peter's and St Philip's Newsletter

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ORDINARY TIME WEEK XV

DIVINE OFFICE PSALTER WEEK III

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

Saturday 12th July 2025

11- 11.45 am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament followed by Benediction

12 Noon Les Wazydrag RIP

6.00 pm Egbert Le Bon RIP

Readings: Genesis 49: 29-33; 50: 15-26; Psalm 104; Matthew 10: 24-38

Sunday 13th July 2025 - FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8.30 am People of the Parish ORGAN

10.00am Terry Turner RIP JUNIOR CHOIR

10 00 am Syro Malabar Rite Mass at St. Philip's

6.00 pm Trish Ebbrele Intention

Readings: Deuteronomy 30: 10-14; Psalm 68; Colossians 1: 15-20; Luke 10: 25-37

DAY OF SPECIAL PRAYER FOR SEAFARERS

Monday 14th July 2025 - St Camillus de Lellis

12.00 Noon Henry (John) King 1st Anniversary - Eternal Peace

Readings: Exodus 1: 8-14.22; Psalm 123; Matthew 10: 34—11: 1

Tuesday 15th July 2025—St Bonaventure

12.00Noon Maureen Regan Intentions

Readings: Exodus 2: 1-15; Psalm 68: 3.14. 30-31. 33-34.; Matthew 11: 20-24

Wednesday 16th July 2025—Our Lady of Mount Carmel

9.15 am Mass at St. Philip's - Denis Woodhead

12 Noon Service of Word and Communion

Readings: Exodus 3: 1-6.9-12; Psalm 102; Matthew 11: 25-27

Thursday 17th July 2025

12 00 Noon Michael Higginbottom—RIP

Readings: Exodus 3: 13-20; Psalm 104; Matthew 11: 28-30

Friday 18th July 2025

12.00 Noon Canon John Roper RIP

Readings: Exodus 11: 10 –12: 14; Psalm 115; Matthew 12: 1-8

Saturday 19th July 2025—St. John Plessington

NO EXPOSITION AND NO CONFESSIONS TODAY

12 Noon Father Peter Sharrocks - 50th Jubilee

6.00 pm Mass at Offerton - Patrick O'Grady

Readings: Exodus 12: 37-42; Psalm 135; Matthew 12: 14-21

Sunday 20th July 2025 - SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8.30 am Deceased members of the Binnie and Johnson Families CHOIR

10.00am Donal McDermot RIP FOLK GROUP

10.00 am Syro Malabar Rite Mass at St. Philip's

6.00 pm People of the Parish PRAISE BE

Readings: Genesis 18: 1-10; Psalm 14; Colossians 1: 24-28; Luke 10: 38-42



Your prayers are asked for:

LATELY DECEASED **Fr. Gerard McGuinness**, (one of the retired priests of the diocese) **Michael Higgins** whose Requiem Mass will be on Monday 11th August at 12 Noon, **Kevin Egan** whose Requiem Mass will be on Tuesday 22nd July at 12 Noon

Anniversaries that occur around this time: Henry (John) King, Leslaw Wazydrag, Ken Oldham, Eileen Earl, Catherine Goldthorpe, Irma Guest, Peter Cafferty, Tom Cannally, Sheila Stafford, Dorothy Gregson, Jane McCormack, Kevin Farrell, Fred Kelly, Maureen Cocker, Christopher Lees, Ellen Ashby, Norah Blaydon, Jean Seymour, Thomas Culshaw, Norah Murphy, Dorothy Ramsay.

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.

GOSPEL:

Luke 10:25-37

'Who is my neighbour?'

At that time: Behold, a lawyer stood up to put Jesus to the test, saying, Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the Law? How do you read it?' And he answered, You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbour as yourself.' And he said to him,

'You have answered correctly; do this, and you will live.' But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?'

Jesus replied, 'A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him and departed, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was, and when he saw him, he had compassion. He went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he set him on his own animal and brought him to an inn and took care of him.

And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, "Take care of him, and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back." Which of these three, do you think, proved to be a neighbour to the man who fell among the robbers?' He said, 'The one who showed him mercy.' And Jesus said to him, 'You go, and do likewise.'

1. Spend some time quietly reading and rereading the passage.
2. Note the words/phrases that draw your attention. Take time to stay with those words.
3. What new insights into Jesus does this passage give you?
4. Take time to talk with Jesus about how in your life you might 'Go and do the same your self'. How might the parish community do similarly?



For Conversation:

The times you have experienced a Good Samaritan

THE CENTERING PRAYER GROUP meet every Tuesday morning in the meeting room in the parish centre. We start at 11.15am and finish at 11.45am. This is a silent prayer group and if you feel this might be for you why not join us next Tuesday or indeed any Tuesday. All are welcome.

THE SCRIPTURE GROUP meet on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month. We read and discuss the readings for the following Sunday. We start at 7.30pm and finish at 9.30pm with a cup of tea and biscuit. All are welcome.

BEREAVEMENT GROUP

We look forward to seeing you all at Fr. Peter's Golden Jubilee and Retirement Celebrations on the 19th July at 12 Noon Mass

We will be meeting again in September, details nearer the time.

If you would like any further information please contact the office admin@stpetershazelgrove.org.uk or ring Helen 07854928072. You are welcome to come to the group no matter how recently or in the past you have lost a loved one.

ONLINE PARISH CALENDAR OF EVENTS

We now have an online calendar linked to the website - if you are looking to advertise an event through the newsletter, please can you email the office as usual and if you would like the event to go online please email the name of the event along with the dates and times to stpetershelpers@gmail.com

NEW WEBSITE

A new website has been created for our two parish communities of St Peter's and St Philip's. If you are responsible for any of the parish groups and you want to update the information about your group, please send your entry by Email to christopher.d.rhodes@virginmedia.com.

IMPORTANT 'HOUSEKEEPING' FOR PARISH GROUPS

Group Health and Safety / emergency evacuation / risk assessments

Does your group need a risk assessment for your activity or meeting? Do you know what to do in the event of a fire or emergency? If you need help with this, contact Dr Alec Mowatt via the office, he can meet you and help you with it.

Groups who use the centre should all know what to do if there is a fire or if they need to evacuate.

Does everyone in your group know what to do if they have a safeguarding concern? Do the members or leaders of your group need training in safeguarding? Get in touch with Anne on safe.stpeters@proton.me

SAFEGUARDING AND CHILD PROTECTION Does everyone in your group know what to do if they have a safeguarding concern? Do the members or leaders of your group need training in safeguarding? Get in touch with Anne on safe.stpeters@proton.me

PIETY STALL we are very much in need of help with the Piety Stall on a Sunday morning, if you are able to spare no more than 15 minutes before and after mass once a month, please contact Helen in the office.

There are a few 50th Jubilee cards still available in the Piety Stall

There is also a Sale on and a few freebies if you would like to have a look.

ST PETER'S HELPERS - Cuppa and Chat Thursday 17th July 1.30-3.00pm

Would you like to get out of the house and enjoy a friendly chat in a welcoming and relaxed setting? Come to our drop in Cuppa and Chat in the meeting room. We also always welcome donations of cakes, helpers and especially people who are able to offer a lift occasionally to those who can't get out as much as they would like to. Helpers work flexibly and enjoy being part of something so friendly and worthwhile! There is no session in August. Our dates are on the Parish Calendar. Contact stpetershelpers@gmail.com or leave a message on the church phone and we will get back to you if you have any questions.

ST. PETER'S BOOK CLUB

Our first recommendation is **The Lost Book Shop by Evie Woods**, it is a dual-time novel set in Dublin where a mysterious book shop connects three characters, one from the 1920's and two from the present as they each seek escape, healing and the power of lost stories. A book that comes highly recommended is **Shy Creatures by Clare Chambers**, the story takes place in 1964 Croydon and follows an art therapist who encounters a silent yet gifted patient at a psychiatric hospital. Our third book is **What You Are Looking For Is In The Library by Michiko Aoyama** - this is five interconnected stories set in Tokyo, each centred around a visitor to Hatori Community House's Library. Our blast from the past is **To Kill a Mockingbird by Harper Lee** - a coming-of-age classic set in the racially segregated American South. We will meet again in October - please contact Alison McGarr on 07792 107152 if you would like to recommend a book or join us when we next meet.

NOT FROM FATHER PETER!!

Father Peter will be celebrating his Golden Jubilee and forthcoming Retirement on 19th July. Mass will be at 12 Noon and the celebrations will continue in the Parish Centre. You can still donate to his collection by cash or cheque (made out to R. McKay) using the yellow envelopes at the back of Church and placing in the Offertory. Please send your donation by basket or handed into the Parish Office. To send electronically please send to R. McKay Account No: 76276668 Sort Code 776702.

If you would like to help with the preparations we will need help on Friday 18th, setting up the hall and garden. Also on the actual day, 19th, we will need Stewards for the Car Park and Church, and help clearing up afterwards.

We are also asking for cakes, no more than 8 small ones or a cake cut into 8 pieces. Please sign the sheets at the back of Church. These will be able to be dropped off on Friday evening from 6.00 pm - 8.00 pm or on Saturday morning anytime before the Mass at Noon.

There will be a meeting on **Tuesday 15th July at 7.00 pm** in the Parish Centre for those who have volunteered to help with the setting up, stewarding and clearing away.