

HOLY FATHER'S
PRAYER INTENTIONS
AUGUST FOR
EVANGELIZATION IN
THE CITY
LET US PRAY THAT IN
LARGE CITIES OFTEN
MARKED BY ANONYMITY
AND LONELINESS WE
FIND NEW WAYS TO
PROCLAIM THE GOS-
PEL, DISCOVERING
CREATIVE PATHS TO
BUILD COMMUNITY

THE WORD OF GOD

FIRST READING:
REVELATION 11:
19.12: 1-6.10

Psalm: 45

On your right
stands the Queen
in gold of Ophir

SECOND READING:
1 CORINTHIANS 15:
20-26

GOSPEL
ACCLAMATION:

ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA
MARY HAD BEEN
TAKEN UP INTO
HEAVEN; THE HOST
OF ANGELS REJOICE
ALLELUIA

GOSPEL READING:
LUKE 1:39-56

'BLESSED ARE
YOU AMONG
WOMEN, AND
BLESSED IS
THE FRUIT
OF YOUR
WOMB'

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

Ordinary Time Week XX
PSALTER WEEK IV

Saturday 15th August 2026

11.00 – 11.45 am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament – followed by Benediction
12.00 Noon Valerie Jone RIP
6.00 pm Mass at Offerton - Jim Mullen (sick)
Readings: Ezekiel 18: 1-10; 13, 30-32; Psalm 50; Matthew 19: 13-15

Sunday 16th August 2026 - THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

8.30 am Audrey Mary Kenny RIP
10.00 am Peter and Patricia Lees RIP
11.00 am Syro Malabar Mass in St. Philips
6.00 pm Rita Blacklock RIP
Readings: Revelation 11: 19.12: 1-6.10; Psalm 45; 1 Corinthians 15: 20-26;
Luke 1: 39-56

Monday 17th August 2026

12.00 pm Margaret King RIP
Readings: Ezekiel 24: 15-24; Deuteronomy 32; Matthew 19: 16-22

Tuesday 18th August 2026

12.00 pm Michael O'Brien RIP
Readings: Ezekiel 28: 1-10; Psalm Deuteronomy 32; Matthew 19: 23-30

Wednesday 19th August 2026

9.15 am Mass at St. Philips - Fr. Taylor's Intention
12 Noon Service of Word and Communion
Readings: Ezekiel 34: 1-11; Psalm 22; Matthew 20: 1-16

Thursday 20th August 2026 - St Bernard

12.00 pm Marie Trevena RIP
Readings: Ezekiel 36: 23-28; Psalm 50; Matthew 22: 1-14

Friday 21st August 2026 - St Pius X

12.00 Noon Nora Waring RIP
Readings: Ezekiel 37: 1-4; Psalm 106; Matthew 22: 34-40

Saturday 22nd August 2026 - The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

11.00 – 11.45 am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament – followed by Benediction
12.00 Noon Anthony Breed RIP
6.00 pm Mass at Offerton - Ken Newbury RIP
Readings: Isaiah 9: 1-6; Psalm 112; Luke 1: 26-38

Sunday 23rd August 2026 - TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8.30 am People of the Parish
10.00 am Kathryn Trueman RIP
11.00 am Syro Malabar Mass in St. Philips
6.00 pm Martin Finlay RIP
Readings: Isaiah 22: 19-23; Psalm 137; Romans 11: 33-36; Matthew 16: 13-20

OFFERTORY COLLECTION Thank you for your generous offerings, last weeks collection came to £1353.22 St. Philip's Offertory amounted to £183.50

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-Team 6 are on duty this week

LATELY DECEASED Philip Charles Kemball whose Funeral Service will be held at Stockport Crematorium on Tuesday 25th August at 10.30 in the Cypress Chapel

ANNIVERSARIES THAT OCCUR AROUND THIS TIME: Peter and Patricia Lees, Mary Anderson, Margaret Bradbury, Friederike Maltby, Michael Bell, Henry (Harry) Walker, Sheila Grocot, Robin McGregor, Robert Langham, Michael O'Brien, Joseph Mullvey, Michael Hanson, Joe Reilly, Ellen Blood, Olive Francis, Thomas Meadows, Bridget Toye, John Burke, Owen Ring, Tina Davies, Albert Wande, Edna Williamson, Agnes Dempsey, Winifred Robertshaw, Patrick McDermot, Catherine Ashton, Fr. Chris Jenkins, Graham Kingston

BAPTISM PREPARATION The dates for the next Baptism Preparation sessions are 20th & 27th September @ 11am in the Parish Centre (after 10am Mass). If you would like to book on the September sessions please email stpetersbaptism1@gmail.com for the Baptism Application form. The aim of the sessions is to help parents prepare for the baptism of their child and to reflect on their role as the first teachers of the faith.

PRAYER INTENTIONS We have a team of 'prayer warriors' who will pray for your intentions, send them to the Parish Office and they will be forwarded. You can also light a 'virtual candle' on the parish website

GOSPEL Luke 1 39-56 In those days Mary arose and went with haste into the hill country, to a town in Judah, and she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. And when Elizabeth heard the greeting of Mary, the baby leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit, and she exclaimed with a loud cry, 'Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb! And why is this granted to me that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For behold, when the sound of your greeting came to my ears, the baby in my womb leaped for joy. And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfilment of what was spoken to her from the Lord.' And Mary said 'My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour, for he has looked on the humble estate of his servant. For behold, from now on all generations will call me blessed; for he who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is his name. And his mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts; he has brought down the mighty from their thrones and exalted those of humble estate; he has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent away empty. He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, as he spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to his offspring for ever.' And Mary remained with her about three months and returned to her home.

OPPOSE ASSISTED SUICIDE (AGAIN) A Private Members' Bill on assisted suicide – so-called assisted dying – has been reintroduced to the House of Commons. The Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill will have its Second Reading and vote on Friday, 11 September 2026. Please write to our MPs - Lisa Smart and Tom Morrison - ask Lisa Smart MP to vote NO to assisted suicide, and please thank Tom Morrison for voting against the bill in its last passage through parliament here: <https://righttolife.org.uk/Sept11vote> Your vote matters more than ever if you live in Hazel Grove as Lisa Smart MP previously voted in favour of the assisted dying bill. Tom Morrison MP for Cheadle voted against. Thankyou

FUTURE DATE FOR YOU: NEXT ACCESSIBLE MASS OCTOBER 4th 2026 St Peter's Inclusion Group wish you all a lovely holiday period but please put in your diary the date for our next Accessible Mass. This mass is suitable for all in the parish and we focus on ensuring every person's needs are met. We welcome anyone who might struggle with our regular masses, we will support you in anyway we can. We have a sensory activity incorporated into a shorter mass, with a relaxed atmosphere and finish with a cuppa and chat. If you need more information, please contact: inclusionstpeters@gmail.com

BREAKOUT MASS today (Sunday 16th August) available in the parish meeting room during the 10am mass and again Sunday 6th September. Communion will be brought over, with colouring and craft available. We offer a space for anyone more comfortable here than in the main church, either for all or part of the service. Afterwards, the main hall will host refreshments and toys, and the craft will be available for a short time

JOIN US at FOOTSTEPS on THURSDAY 3 SEPTEMBER AT 7.30pm

What a great pleasure it will be to welcome back to Footsteps the **Bishop of Stockport, +Sam Corley** who'll be talking about 'Lessons in prayer from the South Pacific'. Always an engaging, entertaining and captivating speaker, Bishop Sam is bound to give us a very memorable evening, especially with an unusual and interesting theme like that.

We hope you'll come to our informal, friendly event which takes place in a café-style setting **in the parish centre**; we serve light refreshments and nibbles along with a good sprinkling of humour. Footsteps provides a forum for all denominations where we can listen to and reflect on various topics as we journey in our Christian faith. We look forward to welcoming you.

CARD MAKING The next card making session is on Thursday, 03 September, 10.00 - 11.30 in the Meeting Room. All are welcome but please let me know by Tuesday, 01 September if you plan to attend. All materials are provided and there will be an opportunity to make a voluntary donation to charity if you wish. Advance notice: The session scheduled for 01 October has been cancelled.

mvbinnie@gmail.com, 01663 762974.

Hand made birthday and occasion cards will be available in the Parish Centre after the 08.30 and 10.00 Masses on Sunday, 16 August, 13 and 27 September, 11 and 25 October. Prices range from 50p to £2.50 and many can be personalised with names and/or ages on request. All proceeds are used to support local 'charities'.

The next Healing Mass and lunch is on Saturday, 17 October. **More details to follow later.**

BOOK CLUB Please see website for our Summer Book recommendations