

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:
ISAIAH 22: 19-23

Psalm: 137

O Lord your
merciful love is
eternal; do not
let the work of
your hands

SECOND READING:
ROMANS
11:33 –36

GOSPEL
ACCLAMATION:

ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA
YOU ARE PETER, AND
ON THIS ROCK I WILL
BUILD MY
CHURCH, AND THE
GATES OF HELL SHALL
NOT PREVAIL
AGAINST IT.

ALLELUIA

GOSPEL READING:
MATTHEW 16:
13-20

'BUT WHO
DO YOU
SAY THAT I
AM'

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 XXI
PSALTER WEEK I

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

Monday 24th August 2026 - St Bartholomew

12.00 pm Dorothy Hillier RIP
Readings: Revelation 21: 9-14; Psalm 145; John 1: 45-51

Tuesday 25th August 2026 - St Thomas of Hereford

10.30 am Funeral Service for Philip Kemball at Stockport Crematorium
12.00 pm Patricia Quinn RIP
Readings: 2 Thessalonians 2: 1-3, 14-17; Psalm 95; Matthew 23: 23-26

Wednesday 26th August 2026

9.15 am Mass at St. Philips - Lynn Petterbridge RIP
12 Noon Service of Word and Communion
Readings: 2 Thessalonians 3: 6-10, 16-18; Psalm 127; Matthew 23: 27-32

Thursday 27th August 2026 - St Monica

12.00 pm Fiona's Recovery
Readings: Sirach 26: 1-4, 13-16; Psalm 131; Luke 7: 11-17

Friday 28th August 2026 - St Augustine

12.00 Noon Vera Whittaker RIP
Readings: 1 John 4: 7-16; Psalm 119; Matthew 23: 8-12

Saturday 29th August 2026 - The Passion of St John the Baptist

11.00 –11.45 am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament –followed by Benediction
12.00 Noon Seamus Gallogley RIP
6.00 pm Mass at Offerton - Fr Kevin Hogan Intention
Readings: Jeremiah 1: 17-19; Psalm 71; Mark 6: 17-29

Sunday 30th August 2026 - TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8.30 am Marie Glennon RIP
10.00 am Jamie Smith RIP
11.00 am Syro Malabar Mass in St. Philips
6.00 pm People of the Parish
Readings: Jeremiah 20: 7-9; Psalm 62; Romans 12: 1-2; Matthew 16: 21-27

OFFERTORY COLLECTION Thank you for your generous offerings, last weeks collection came to £1032.40 St. Philip's Offertory amounted to £223.20

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 1 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: Catherine Ashton, Fr. Chris Jenkins, Graham Kingston, Norman James, Sheila Murphy, Johanna Foley, Patricia Dearman, John Melia, Gerard Melia, Maria Walker, Judith Murphy, Patrick Sweeney, Michael Bradley, Honora Hague.

BAPTISMS: We welcome into our Parish Community, Rudy Oliver Ross, Arthur Gene Ross and Chloe Yu Tong Singh who were Baptised here last weekend.

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 Matthew 16: 13-20

At that time: When Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Simon Peter replied, 'You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.' And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.' Then he strictly charged the disciples to tell no one that he was the Christ.

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

Breakout mass will be available again in the parish meeting room during the 10am mass on 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 may 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

HARRYTOWN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL are currently recruiting for a Headteacher's PA Term time plus 15 days). Please visit the school website for more details. www.harrytownschool.org