

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION** Thank you for your generous offerings, last weeks collection came to £1197.24 St. Philip’s Offertory amounted to details next week.

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 546746609**

**CHURCH CLEANING** - Team 4 are on duty this week

**RAMP** Please note - As we are now planning to install a ramp off the side door of the side door of the church the Defibrillator has been moved. It is now positioned to the left of the main front door as you come in to Church

**CAR PARK** As you will be aware there has been considerable problems in our car park and on neighbouring roads recently with people attending the Easter services, Sunday masses and other events both in the church and the club. We propose to try and alleviate this congestion by re-introducing a strict one-way system and would ask for your help by adhering to it.Vehicles should approach the church complex via Grenville Road and the yellow-gated entrance road off Green Lane, and once in the car park follow the direction-of-flow arrows painted on the surface. To leave the car park again, follow the direction-of-flow arrows through the black exit gates on to Charles Street before turning left on to Mount Pleasant. Please do not enter the car park from Charles Street and driving over the No-Entry sign In this way we should avoid vehicles trying to squeeze past oncoming cars, making things safer and minimising the risk of damage to vehicles. Thank you for your co-operation.

**ST PETER’S BOOK CLUB** We will meet again on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> September - get in touch if you would like to join us, telephone Alison McGarr 07792 107152.

**HAZEL GROVE LOCAL HISTORY GROUP** We will be starting our Autumn programme on 23rd September 2022. A group of people with an interest in the history of the local area, and beyond, has been meeting here in the autumn and winter since 1988, and apart from an enforced break during the initial covid lockdowns, we carry on. We meet every Friday morning, 10am to noon, from September to Easter in the Meeting Room of St Peter’s Parish Centre to explore a wide variety of aspects of the history of the local area, with guest speakers and contributions from group members. There is a programme of optional visits to local places of historical interest in the Spring which adds to our enjoyment £30 for 10 meetings. Enrolment from 9.45am on 23<sup>rd</sup> September. Payment in cash or by cheque. For further information Contact the Group Leader on 0161 427 7285, or email wilshaw88@btinternet.com. Everyone is most welcome to join us.

**ADVENT RETREAT DAY - a date for your diary**  
We are delighted to offer an Advent Retreat Day on **Saturday 21 November** in the parish centre. **Mary Hardiman** will lead us in a special day of reflection before the busyness leading up to Christmas. Come and enjoy a bit of space and time to consider and prepare for the season of Advent, which starts the week after. Mary will be helping us explore how we can prepare for Christ’s coming this Christmas. Come for a **9.30am start** (when the kettle will be on) in the parish centre; we’ll have Mass at noon in church. Back to the parish centre after Mass to eat **your packed lunch**, then hear Mary’s afternoon reflection. We aim to finish around 4pm. This is an annual event which is always popular, so do plan to come and enjoy both the spiritual and the social elements. All are welcome.

**SPRINGFIELD SURGERY Commercial Road**  
The next meeting of the PPG will be on 23 September at 7.00pm in the surgery. The talk will be by Cody Pendlebury of Home Instead on FALLS PREVENTION. This talk had to be cancelled in July due to illness. All registered patients are welcome.

**FLAT FURNISH APPEAL**  
There was an amazing response to the appeal to help a young family from abroad moving into an unfurnished flat in our parish. The young mother, was totally overwhelmed and filled with gratitude for your generosity. She cannot thank you enough that you have helped her prepare a new home for her family - who are arriving to join her very soon. Thank you so much for all who offered help with this project. May God bless your kindness.

**MARRIAGE PREPARATION**  
An in-person **Marriage Preparation Course** is available to all diocesan parishes this month for couples getting married this year or next. With an apology for the short notice, the course will take place this Saturday, **12 September** and the following Saturday, **19 September** at St Vincent’s, Altrincham – in the Westleigh Parish Centre, 100 Groby Road, WA14 2BJ beginning at 11am. **Booking is essential** – [natalie.oreface@dioceseofshrewsbury.org](mailto:natalie.oreface@dioceseofshrewsbury.org) or call 07730 526826

**STOCKPORT CONVENT CLASS OF 1967:** We are having a reunion for our year group on Saturday 17th October at 2pm in Stockport. Please contact [26maryrobinson@gmail.com](mailto:26maryrobinson@gmail.com) or 07443 841223 for more details.

**APPEAL NEXT WEEKEND** 26th/27th September, Sister Gloria, a Missionary with the Sister of England and Wales will be attending all Masses at St. Philip’s and St. Peter’s Masses.

HOLY FATHER’S  
PRAYER INTENTIONS  
FOR SEPTEMBER  
FOR THE CARE OF  
WATER  
LET US PRAY FOR A  
JUST AND  
SUSTAINABLE  
MANAGEMENT OF  
WATER, A  
VITAL SOURCE, SO  
THAT EVERYONE  
MAY HAVE EQUAL  
ACCESS TO IT.

THE WORD  
OF GOD

FIRST READING:  
SIRACH 27: 30-28:7

Psalm 102:

SECOND READING:  
ROMANS 14: 7-9

GOSPEL  
ACCLAMATION:

ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA

A NEW  
COMMANDMENT I  
GIVE TO YOU,SAYS  
THE LORD, THAT YOU  
LOVE ONE  
ANOTHER,JUST AS I  
HAVE LOVED YOU

ALLELUIA

GOSPEL READING:  
MATTHEW 18:  
21-25

‘I DO NOT SAY  
TO YOU  
SEVEN  
TIMES,BUT  
SEVENTY  
TIMES SEVEN’

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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Father Philip Atkinson - Parish Priest  
Father Kevin Hogan  
Deacon John McKay

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

Ordinary Time Week XXIV  
PSALTER WEEK IV

**Saturday 12th September 2026 - Most Holy Name of Mary**  
11.00—11.45 am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament followed by Benediction  
12.00 Noon Jaqueline Farr RIP  
6.00 pm Mass at Offerton - St. Philip’s - Fr Jonathan Bielawski RIP  
Readings: 1 Corinthians 10: 14-22; Psalm 115; Luke 6: 43-49

**Sunday 13th September 2026 - TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
8.30 am People of the Parish PIANO  
10.00 am Vera and Joe RIP JUNIOR  
11.00 am Syro Malabar Mass in St. Philips  
6.00 pm Dorothy Johnson RIP PIANO  
Readings: Sirach 27: 30-28:7, Psalm 102; Romans 14: 7-9;Matthew 18: 21-25

DAY OF SPECIAL PRAYER FOR EDUCATION

**Monday 14th September 2026 -Exaltation of the Cross**  
12.00 pm Kevin Cafferty RIP  
Readings: Numbers 21: 4-9; Psalm 78; John 3: 13-17

**Tuesday 15th September 2026 - Our Lady of Sorrows**  
12.00 pm Ruth-Successful Surgery  
1.30 pm Requiem Mass for Kenneth Hall  
Readings: Hebrews 5: 7-9; Psalm 31; John 19: 25-27

**Wednesday 16th September 2026 Ss Cornelius and Cyprian**  
9.15 am Mass at St. Philips - Rosaleen McNally RIP  
12 Noon Requiem Mass for Jaqueline Farr  
Readings: 1 Corinthians 12: 31-13; Psalm 32; Luke 7: 31-35

**Thursday 17th September 2026 - St Robert Bellarmine**  
12.00 pm Vera Atherton RIP  
Readings: 1 Corinthians 15: 1-11: Psalm 117; Luke 7:36-50

**Friday 18th September 2026 - St Theodore of Canterbury**  
12.00 Noon Kath Gingell RIP  
Readings : 1 Corinthians 15:12-20; Psalm 16; Luke 8: 1-3

**Saturday 19th September 2026 - St Theodore of Canterbury**  
11.00—11.45 am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament followed by Benediction  
12.00 Noon Barrie Clayton RIP  
6.00 pm Mass at Offerton - St. Philip’s - Irene Barker  
Readings: 1 Corinthians 15: 35-37.42-49; Psalm 55; Luke 8: 4-15

**Sunday 20th September 2026 - TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
8.30 am Fr. Taylor’s Intention PRAISE BE!  
10.00 am People of the Parish FOLK GROUP  
11.00 am Syro Malabar Mass in St. Philips  
6.00 pm Margaret King RIP CHOIR  
Readings: Isaiah 55: 6-9; Psalm 144; Philippians 1: 20-24,27;Matthew 20: 1-16

HOME MISSION SUNDAY

**Your prayers are asked for:**

**LATELY DECEASED** **Jaqueline Farr** whose Requiem Mass will be held at St. Peter’s on Wednesday 16th September 2026 at 12 Noon followed by private family internment at Mill Lane Cemetery. **Kevin Hall** whose Requiem will be on Tuesday 15th September at 1.30 pm . **Joan Hales**

**ANNIVERSARIES THAT OCCUR AROUND THIS TIME:** Frances Smith, Philip Howarth, William Dermott,Anna McGarth, Peggy Cummings, Henry Booth, Phyllis Watts, Joan Burgess, Pat Doherty, Veron Atherton, Vincent Carroll, Kenneth Wright, Kathleen Gingell, Barrie Clayton.

**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](mailto: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 INTENTION** 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 18:21-35**

At that time: Peter came up and said to Jesus, ‘Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?’ Jesus said to him, ‘I do not say to you seven times, but seventy times seven.  
‘Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. When he began to settle, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. And since he could not pay, his master ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, “Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.” And out of pity for him, the master of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. But when that same servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii, and seizing him, he began to choke him, saying, “Pay what you owe.” So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, “Have patience with me, and I will pay you.” He refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay the debt. When his fellow servants saw what had taken place they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their master all that had taken place. Then his master summoned him and said to him, “You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. And should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?” And in anger his master delivered him to the jailers, until he should pay all his debt. So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart.’

**BEREAVEMENT GROUP**

The next meeting will be on Friday 25th September at 2.00 pm in the Lounge when we will be having a Cream Tea and Entertainment. If you would like more information about the Bereavement Group please contact Helen on 07854928072 or email [admin@stpetershazelgrove.org](mailto:admin@stpetershazelgrove.org). You are welcome no matter how recently or how long ago you lost a loved one.  
Once again our thanks to Deacon John and Peter for their entertaining talk about their Pilgrimage to Lindisfarne and also to Bridget from East Cheshire Hospice.

**MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING**

On 27th September we are hosting a Macmillan coffee and cake sale, also a raffle, after the 10.00 am Mass, all donations are welcome, if you could drop them off after the 8.30 and 10.00 Mass in the Parish Centre. Thank you.

**SPONSORED MARATHON**

At the beginning of August we had an email from Luke Gaskell who is running the Majorcan Marathon on 18th October, he is running in memory of two friends,, Alex and Sarah who sadly drowned in a flash flood two years ago in Majorca. Alex and Sarah were from Stockport and Luke wanted to raise money for a local Bereavement Group he looked at Stockport based groups and decided that he would like to donate the money raised to St, Peter’s Bereavement Group. If you would like to sponsor Luke the link is <https://gofund.me/3a138ccc3>. The money raised will also benefit other groups or people in our area who are bereaved.  
Luke wrote :  
I am running the Majorca Marathon on October 18th in memory of two beautiful humans, Alex and Sarah. I have found a local Stockport charity called St Peter’s Bereavement Support, who run events for the bereaved families and friends who have lost someone close. I have contacted the charity and they will be massively appreciative of any support we can offer.  
Alex and Sarah passed away in a tragic event while hiking in Majorca in the summer of 2024, leaving a massive hole in their friendship groups and families. I am doing the run alongside Alex’s brother Stefan, and friends who were also on the hiking trip. This will be a massive personal event for us all.  
I am hoping that by raising awareness for the charity, this will give bereaved families and friends across Stockport and the North West the understanding that no fight has to be alone, ears are for listening and there is always help available.  
Thank you in advance, Luke

**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

**THE SHROUD OF TURIN The Fifth Gospel.** A date for your diaries. On **Thursday 26th November at 7.30 PM** at St Peter’s Parish Centre, there will be an evening talk on The Shroud of Turin by Michael Kowalski, author of ‘The Shroud of Christ: Evidence of a 2000-Year Antiquity’ All welcome.

**ALPHA 2026**

**ALPHA** is a (new) beginning, a refresh or a restart. It’s the R.E. you wished you hadn't missed when you were at school. It’s an opportunity to ask some of life’s big questions. Things may have happened in your life and you want space and time to look at them. It’s what you might want to do if your kids are being baptised or doing first communion or confirmation. Alpha’s helpful if you want to explore becoming a Catholic. If you want to know more ask Deacon John. If you would like to come, or are just curious come along on Tuesday 22nd September to the first session at St Philip’s, Half Moon Lane, Offerton SK2 5LE at 7.30pm. We start with drinks and snacks. We finish at 9pm  
**St Peter’s Youth Group (SPY)** restarts after the Summer break on **Sunday 13th of September**. SPY meets monthly on a Sunday after 6PM Mass in the Parish Centre and all young people of high school age, year 7 and above (up to and including college age) are invited to come along. SPY is a great way to keep in touch with your faith and your friends, as well as making new friends, as you move on into your High School Years. SPY is also the place to come if you are interested in being Confirmed (year 8 and above) Come along for Faith sharing, friendship, lots of fun and of course food! (7pm - 8.30 pm) All welcome.  
The Spy dates for this term are;-  
Sunday 13th September  
Sunday 11th October  
Sunday 8th November  
Sunday 22nd November - Feast of Christ the King/Youth Sunday - the young people will be involved in the Youth Mass at 6 PM  
Sunday 13th December

**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 per son'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](mailto:inclusionstpeters@gmail.com)

**ST PETER’S HELPERS**

**Cuppa and Chat Tuesday 15th September 1.30-3.00pm**  
Do come and join us for our first gathering back after the summer. It’s a lovely way to chat to old friends and make new ones. Whether you’re less able to get out and about than before, or would just enjoy a chat over hot drinks and delicious home made cakes, you’re very welcome. Volunteers to make cakes, (drop off 1pm please), help set up (12.15 please) drive guests and help welcome and serve people (1pm please) are very welcome, get in touch with Clare [stpetershelpers@gmail.com](mailto:stpetershelpers@gmail.com) to set up an informal chat.

**St Peter’s Helpers Clothing and Umbrella appeal**

We are in need of **good condition men’s women’s and children’s coats, hats, scarves and gloves plus trainers and winter footwear please. No high heels or other items please.** We are also looking for **working umbrellas** you no longer have need of please. Please bring items to the rear flower sacristy in church until Monday **27th September**. Thank you for helping to support people in need.  
Info: [stpetershelpers@gmail.com](mailto:stpetershelpers@gmail.com)

**CARDS**

**Hand made birthday and occasion cards** will be available in the Parish Centre after the 08.30 and 10.00 Masses on Sunday, 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.**

**St Peter’s Helpers Social and Quiz Evening**

**Friday 2nd October 7-9pm meeting room**  
Are you a current, past or prospective Helper? We would love to see you at our relaxed social evening and quiz. Tea, coffee, orange juice and nibbles provided, if you would like to, then bring your own alcoholic drinks. Please tell us if you can come [stpetershelpers@gmail.com](mailto:stpetershelpers@gmail.com)

**ROSARY PRAYER GROUP** On Tuesday evening this week at 7,30pm, the Rosary Group will be gathering in the parish meeting room. We pray the rosary and relax into our God's loving presence. All are welcome to come and join in with our friendly group - no experience necessary!

**SENORY BAGS AND TOYBOX**

There are a few bags with sensory activities and a box of children’s toys and books for use during Mass. These can be found at the back of church and the welcomers can assist you in locating them