

OFFERTORY COLLECTION Thank you for your generous offerings, last weeks collection came to £747.09

St. Philip's Offertory amounted to £305.04

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**

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CHURCH CLEANING - Team 5 are on duty this week

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 23rd 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.

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 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.

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHAPLAIN VACANCY AT HMP AND YOI STYAL

Do you feel called to a ministry that brings hope, healing and transformation? We are seeking a compassionate and committed Roman Catholic Chaplain (Priest or Lay) to join our multi-faith chaplaincy team in a women's prison.

This is a unique opportunity to support women in custody and prison staff through spiritual leadership, pastoral care and ministry. Alongside providing faith-based care to Roman Catholic prisoners and staff, you will work collaboratively with colleagues to meet the pastoral needs of people of all faiths and none.

Through your ministry, you will help create an environment where women can rediscover dignity, purpose and hope. We are looking for someone who is empathetic, resilient and committed to serving others with respect and integrity. This role provides an opportunity to live out your vocation in a setting where your faith and pastoral gifts can have a profound and lasting impact.

If you are interested in helping people build brighter futures, we would love to hear from you. This is a one day a week post (8hrs).

Please contact Managing Chaplain Jo Hirst for further information 01625 553015

Joanna.hirst1@justice.gov.uk.

PILGRIMAGE TO WALSHINGHAM

Pilgrimage to the National Shrine of Our Lady, at Walsingham, Monday 24th May to Thursday 27th May 2027. Half board accommodation, transport by coach, programme of processions & services. Estimated cost, ensuite accommodation £486, standard accommodation £420. Final cost known once transport arrangements finalised. Clergy will be Fr. Philip, Fr. Peter Burke & Deacon Steve Pomeroy (formerly of St. Peter's). Contact Peter Henshaw if interested, 07845 711540, peterhenshaw26@gmail.com.

LAMBS additional needs group will meet in the Parish Centre on Sunday the **27th September** between 4.00 and 6.00 pm. There will be the usual disco, crafts food and good company.

Future dates for **LAMBS** are:

25th October,	28th February,	27th June,
29th November,	28th March	25th July
13th December,	25th April	
31st January,	30th May	

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:
ISIAH 55: 6-9

Psalm 144
The Lord is close
to all who call
him

SECOND READING:
PHILIPPIANS 1:
20-24, 27

GOSPEL

ACCLAMATION:

ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA
OPEN OUR
HEARTS,O LORD,
THAT WE MAY PAY
ATTENTION TO THE
WORDS OF YOUR
SON
ALLELUIA

GOSPEL READING:
MATTHEW 20:
1-16

‘DO YOU
BEGRUDGE
MY
GENEROSITY’

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 XXV
PSALTER WEEK I

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

Monday 21st September 2026 - St Matthew

12.00 pm Marie Glennon RIP
Readings: Ephesians 4: 1-7; 11-13; Psalm 19: Matthew 9: 9-13

Tuesday 22nd September 2026

12.00 pm Pope Leo 71st Birthday
Readings: Proverbs 21: 1-6.10-13; Psalm 118; Luke 8: 19-21

Wednesday 23rd September 2026—St Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)

9.15 am Mass at St. Philips - Maureen Keane
12.00 pm Service of Word and Communion
Readings: 1 Corinthians 1: 18-25; Psalm 40; Matthew 28: 16-20

Thursday 24th September 2026 - Our Lady of Walsingham

12.00 pm Catherine Begley RIP
1.30 pm Funeral for Pamela Robinson at Stockport Crematorium
Readings: Isaiah 7: 10-14.8:10c; Psalm Luke 1: 46-47,48-49,50-51,52-53.54-55;
Acc: Luke 1: 28; Luke 1: 26-38

Friday 25th September 2026

12.00 Noon Andrew Burns RIP
Readings : Ecclesiastes 3: 1-11; Psalm 143; Luke 9: 18-22

Saturday 26th September 2026 - Ss Cosmos and Damien

11.00—11.45 am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament followed by Benediction
12.00 Noon Ruth - speedy recovery
6.00 pm Mass at St. Philip's - Barry Gooch RIP
Readings: Ecclesiastes 11: 9-12:8; Psalm 89; Luke 9: 43-45

Sunday 27th September 2026 - TWENTY SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8.30 am Hubert Hardiman RIP CHOIR
10.00 am People of the Parish PRAISE BE!
11.00 am Syro Malabar Mass in St. Philips
6.00 pm Rita and John Kok Shun 40th Wedding Anniversary PIANO
Readings: Ezekiel 18: 25-28; Psalm 24; Philippians 2: 1-11;Matthew 21: 28-32

SPECIAL DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE HARVEST

Your prayers are asked for:

LATELY DECEASED **Joan Hales** **Pamela Robinson** whose Funeral Service will be at Stockport Crematorium on Thursday 24th September at 1.30 pm

ANNIVERSARIES THAT OCCUR AROUND THIS TIME: George Coupe, Margaret Delaneuy, Veronica Longden, Carmel Dwerryhouse, Michael Joyce, Henry Keogh, Keith Myerscough, Kathleen Carey, Yvonne Murphy, Eileen McKay, Sheila Chesham, Alice Fidler, Annie Sadler, Andrew Burns, Sonia Mee, Austinb Connell, Eddie nBreslin, Thomas Davies, Mary Brown, Michael Burke, Joan Kirkby, Ron Bumstead, Stewart MacPherson, Hubert Harri-man, Barry Gooch.

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.

BAPTISM PREPARATION The dates for the next Baptism Preparation sessions are 18th & 25th October@11am in the Parish Centre (after 10am Mass). If you would like to register for the October sessions please email stpetersbaptism1@gmail.com for the Baptism Preparation Request form. The aim of the sessions is to help parents prepare for the baptism of their child & to reflect on their role as the first teachers of the faith.

GOSPEL Matthew 20:1-16

At that time: Jesus told his disciples this parable, 'The kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house who went out early in the morning to hire labourers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the labourers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard. And going out about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the market-place, and to them he said, "You go into the vineyard too, and whatever is right I will give you." So they went. Going out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour, he did the same. And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing. And he said to them, "Why do you stand here idle all day?" They said to him, "Because no one has hired us." He said to them, "You go into the vineyard too." And when evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his steward, "Call the labourers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last, up to the first." And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius. Now when those hired first came, they thought they would receive more, but each of them also received a denarius. And on receiving it they grumbled at the master of the house, saying, "These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat." But he replied to one of them, "Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius? Take what belongs to you and go. I choose to give to this last worker as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or do you begrudge my generosity?" So the last will be first, and the first last.'

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@stpetershazलगrove.org. You are welcome no matter how recently or how long ago you lost a loved one.

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

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 Gaskell <https://gofund.me/3a138ccc3>.

PRISONS WEEK is an annual, Ecumenical week of prayer for all touched by the criminal justice system. The theme this year is 'All are invited' Matthew 22:1-14. See poster at the back of Church. It takes place 11-17 October. Further details are available at www.prisonsweek.org / @Prisons week / #Prisons week

The themes of Prisons week will be among the thoughts shared at the Footsteps event on [12-11-2026](https://www.prisonsweek.org) at 7:30 in the Parish Centre.

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

Healing Mass, Saturday 17 October at 12.00 noon

The Healing Mass will take place at St Peter's at 12.00 noon on Saturday, 17 October. It will be followed, as usual, by lunch in the Parish Centre catered by Reflections, High Lane. The Healing Mass is open to everyone, but you must book by Wednesday, 08 October if you wish to attend the lunch. (Menu: Cottage pie followed by gateaux).

Please phone Sandra 07748 684388 by 08 October if you wish to join us for the lunch. You should also let Sandra know if you have any special dietary requirements. There is no charge for the lunch but there will be an opportunity to make a donation towards the cost if you wish to do so.

This is always a very popular event in our calendar and we look forward to welcoming you at St Peter's on the day.

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

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

CARDS

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

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