

OFFERTORY COLLECTION Thank you for your generous offerings, last weeks collection came to £1424.00 St. Philip’s Offertory amounted to £303.26

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**

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CHURCH CLEANING - Team 3 are on duty this week

‘OPEN THE WINDOW - OUR ADVENT RETREAT DAY’

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 called '**Open the window**' where she will explore how we open the window to Christ, allowing his humility, love and compassion to guide us towards Christmas. She'll be looking at what the Bible says about the coming of the Messiah and how we can apply that to our preparations. 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 really popular, so do plan to come and enjoy both the spiritual and the social elements. All are welcome

PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM

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 **25th October** between 4.00 and 6.00 pm. We will be having an entertainer on the 25th of October he called Sean Sloan. Any parishioners you like join us at 4-30 would be most welcome. Hopefully we will be having our bingo session and food and refreshments. Future dates for **LAMBS** are: 29th November, 13th December, 31st January, 28th February, 28th March, 25th April, 30th May, 27th June, 25th July

AUTUMN GROUND CLEAR UP "A Date for your diaries! The autumn grounds clean up will take place on Saturday November 7th this year, commencing at 9.00am. Many hands make lightwork. Everybody welcome. Please bring gloves, loppers, spades, barrows, brushes, leaf blowers and other such useful implements. For catering purposes please add your name to the list on the notice board in the porch at the back of the church.

SAVE THE DATE 80’s and Motown Night

Put on your dancing shoes and join us for an evening packed with unforgettable classics, iconic 80’s anthems and smooth Motown hits! Saturday 7th November from 7.00 pm Tickets £10 each including light snacks and nibbles. Bring your friends, grab a drink and make it a night to remember. Call Rita on 07483114783 for tickets but be quick, it's bound to be a sell out.

FOODBANK

Thank you so much to those wonderful parishioners who quietly and persistently fill our food bin at the back of the Church so that we have a constant flow from St Peter's to the Foodbank at the Baptist Church. Currently there is a particular shortage of tinned potatoes and rice pudding, though other items are still very acceptable. We have also been asked to appeal especially for Advent calendars that contain a daily surprise for busy fingers. There is great joy when these are added to food parcels for needy families especially where there are young children. Please help us respond to this appeal if you can. Good bless you for your continuing kindness.. Thank you

ST PHILIPS FOODBANK Many thanks to the parishioners at St. Philip's for their very generous donations of over £310 in the last few weeks.' Thanks very much.

HOLY FATHER’S
PRAYER INTENTIONS
FOR OCTOBER
FOR MENTAL HEALTH
MINISTRY
LET US PRAY THAT THE
MENTAL HEALTH
MINISTRY BE
ESTABLISHED
THROUGHOUT THE CHURCH
, HELPING TO OVERCOME
THE STIGMA AND
DISCRIMINATION OF
PERSONS WITH MENTAL
ILLNESSES

**THE WORD
OF GOD**

FIRST READING:
Ephesians 1:
15-23

Psalm 95
Ascribe to the Lord
glory and power

SECOND READING:
1 Thessalonians 1-5

**GOSPEL
ACCLAMATION:**

ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA
Shine as lights in the
world, holding fast to
the word of life
ALLELUIA

GOSPEL READING:
MATTHEW 22:
15-21

Therefore render
to Caesar the
things that are
Caesar’s, and to
God the things
that are God’s

The Sacrament
of Reconciliation
will be celebrated
in the Sacristy on
Saturday morning
11am – 11.45am
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 XXIX
PSALTER WEEK I

Saturday 17th October 2026 St Ignatius of Antioch
11.00—11.45 am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament followed by Benediction
12.00 Noon Healing Mass for the Sick and Housebound
6.00 pm Mass at St. Philip’s - Ann Kelly—Recovery from Surgery
Readings: Ephesians 1: 15-23; Psalm 8; Luke 12: 8-12

Sunday 18th October 2026 - TWENTY NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
8.30 am Jack Kirwan RIP CHOIR
10.00 am Michael and Elizabeth Burke RIP FOLK GROUP
11.00 am Syro Malabar Mass in St. Philip PRAISE BE!
6.00 pm Isabelle Parry RIP
Readings: Isaiah 45: 4-6; Psalm 95; 1 Thessalonians 1-5; Matthew 22: 15-21

DAY OF SPECIAL PRAYER FOR WORLD MISSIONS

Monday 19th October 2026 – St Peter of Alcantara
12.00 pm Tommy and Kath Smart RIP
Readings: Isaiah 52: 7-10; Psalm 96; John 15: 9-17

Tuesday 20th October 2026
12.00 pm Terry McGuire RIP
Readings: Ephesians 2: 12-22; Psalm 84; Luke 12: 35-38

Wednesday 21st October 2026
12 Noon Service of Word and Communion
Readings: Ephesians 2: 2-12; Psalm Isaiah 12; Luke 12: 39-48

Thursday 22nd October 2026 – St John Paul II
12.00 pm Angela Flanagan RIP
Readings: Ephesians 3: 14-21; Psalm 32; Luke 12: 49-53

Friday 23rd October 2026 - St John of Capestrano
12.00 Noon Pope Leo - Thanksgiving for successful surgery and a speedy recovery
Readings: Ephesians 4: 1-6; Psalm 23; Luke 12: 54-59

Saturday 24th October 2026 – St Anthony Mary Claret
11.00—11.45 am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament followed by Benediction
12.00 Noon Vera Whittaker RIP
6.00 pm Mass at Offerton – People of the Parish
Readings: Ephesians 4: 7-16; Psalm 121; Luke 13: 1-9

Sunday 25th October 2026 – THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
8.30 am Dorothy Hillier RIP - Wedding Anniversary Remembrance
10.00 am 95th Birthday Intention – Erika Morgan
11.00 am Syro Malabar Mass in St. Philips
6.00 pm Beloved Diana King RIP 1ST Anniversary
Readings: Exodus 22: 20-26; Psalm 17; 1 Thessalonians 1: 5-10; Matthew 22: 34-40

Your prayers are asked for:

LATELY DECEASED **Ian Frame** whose Funeral Service will be held at St Peter's on Tuesday 20th October at 1.30 pm, **Kathleen Ogden** whose Funeral Service will be held in the Rowan Chapel at Stockport Crematorium on Thursday 22nd October at 10.45 am. **John Hardy** whose Funeral Service will be held at St. Peter's on Tuesday 3rd November at 1.30 pm, Stanley Sutton whose Funeral Service will be held at St. Peter's on Friday 6th November at 10.00 am followed by burial at Mill Lane Cemetery

ANNIVERSARIES THAT OCCUR AROUND THIS TIME: Veronica Driffield, Alice Brook. Teresa Dakin, Elizabeth Miskell, Kenneth Burgess, Tommy Smart, Ken James, Bernard Cooke, Emile Ludwilla, Brian Burgess, Christina Nolan, Frances Wilson, Margaret Hargreaves, Bishop Brian Noble, Almut Livesey, Pat Melia, John Hand, Veronica Mulroy, Kathleen Coleman, Harry Hillier, Jeremiah O'Keffe, Peter Derryhouse,

BAPTISMS: We welcome into our Parish Community Heidi Patricia Fielding, Evie Claire Fielding and Alec Frederick O'Brien who were Baptised here last weekend

BAPTISM PREPARATION The dates for the next Baptism Preparation sessions are 24th and 31st January 2027@11am in the Parish Centre (after 10am Mass). If you would like to register for the January 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.

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 22:15-21

At that time: The Pharisees went and plotted how to entangle Jesus in his words. And they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, 'Teacher, we know that you are true and teach the way of God truthfully, and you do not care about anyone's opinion, for you are not swayed by appearances. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?' But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, 'Why put me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin for the tax.' And they brought him a denarius. And Jesus said to them, 'Whose likeness and inscription is this?' They said, 'Caesar's.' Then he said to them, 'Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's.'

BEREAVEMENT GROUP

The next meeting will be on Tuesday 23rd October at 6.00 pm in the Members Lounge when we will be having our annual Chippy Night. If you wish to join us please let Helen know and also if you would like to have a full fish or half a fish. 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.

THURSDAY 12 NOVEMBER

Do come and join us at **FOOTSTEPS** - the last one this year - on Thursday 12 November to hear **James Gallogly** presenting '**The Lord works in strange ways**' - **Faith and Prison Ministry**. James will be sharing insights and experience from his work as an RC Chaplain and Family Liaison Officer in the prison service. We hope you'll be there to enjoy our informal, friendly event which takes place at 7.30pm 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.

Remember, many of our talks have been recorded and are available on our parish website:

<https://stpeterscatholic.church/Parish-News-Events/#talks-section>.

HAZEL GROVE CHURCHES TOGETHER

The Christian communities in Hazel Grove are re-launching Hazel Grove Churches Together. The ecumenical group will seek to find ways of working and worshipping together. We are looking for people who would be willing to represent St. Peter's in this important endeavour. If you are interested, please speak to Fr Kevin for further details

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.

St Peter's Youth Group (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 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

ROSARY FOR PEACE

On Thursday 22nd October at 3pm Pope Leo invites Catholics all around the world to join together in saying the Rosary for Peace. The event will be live streamed in church on the day. If you are able to join us in church for the Rosary please sign up on the sheet at the back of Church. The event will also be live streamed on the Church's Webcam via Church Services tv. If you are unable to take part in either of the above but would still like to participate in the World Rosary for Peace you can register as an individual at <https://hcfm.org/pray-for-peace/>

ST PETER'S HELPERS

Help needed We are always looking to welcome new helpers who can help set up, serve, bake, drive, or help on a regular basis at our chai and chat group. Contact Clare for an informal chat via stpeters@gmail.com

CARDS

Hand made birthday and occasion cards will be available in the Parish Centre after the 8.30 and 10.00 Masses on Sunday 25th 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'

SENSORY 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.

SAINT PETER'S BOOK CLUB

Our first recommendation is **The Book of Longings by Sue Monk Kidd** - this is the story of Ana, the daughter of Matthias, who lived in first century Galilee and has been allowed to learn to write, in a time when very few women were taught this skill. Our second recommendation is **Poor by Katriona O'Sullivan**. Through this memoir the author speaks about her hardship growing up as a child of parents who were drug addicts, and how often it was school and kind teachers that taught her that she deserved more than what she had. Finally, **Theo of Golden by Allen Levi**, is a heartwarming story about the power of kindness when a mysterious older man moves to the small Georgia town of Golden for one year. Our next meeting is on the 19th January - please contact Alison McGarr on 07792 107152 if you would like to join us.

ST SIMONS - HLTA Post

We are seeking an enthusiastic, highly skilled, and adaptable Higher Level Teaching Assistant (HLTA) to join our team. Working alongside class teachers and the leadership team, you will play a central role in delivering high-quality learning across the school.

The details can be found on Greater Jobs Stockport and our Website: <https://www.st-simons.stockport.sch.uk/>

