

OFFERTORY COLLECTION Thank you for your generous offerings, last weeks collection came to £1212.34
St. Philip's Offertory amounted to £350.60 July/August paid by card £2583.41

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 1 are on duty this week

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.

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.

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. There will be the usual disco, crafts food and good company.

Future dates for **LAMBS** are: 29th November, 13th December, 31st January, 28th February, 28th March, 25th April, 30th May, 27th June, 25th July

PARISH SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVE

We are seeking to appoint a Parish Safeguarding Representative for St Philip's. The person appointed would assist and advise the parish clergy on safeguarding matters and help to promote a robust safeguarding culture. Training will be provided by the Diocesan Safeguarding Team and will take approximately 2-3 hours depending on existing knowledge of safeguarding procedures. No previous experience is required. This is a volunteer post. If you would like to learn more about this position, please contact Fr Philip, Fr Kevin or Deacon John.

PLEASE NOTE THE ONE-WAY SYSTEM THROUGH THE CAR PARK The entrance is off Green Lane, the exit via Charles Street.

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.

SPONSORED MARATHON - For St. Peter's Bereavement Support

I am running the Majorca Marathon on October 18th in memory of two beautiful humans, Alex and Sarah, who 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 also 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>.

SAVE THE DATE Calling all you 80's and Motown Lovers! Have we got a night planned for you! Our next parish event will be on Saturday 7th November when you can dance the night away to great music courtesy of our very own DJ Disco Dan. More details in the newsletter next week!

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/>

THE ANNUAL BABY MEMORIAL SERVICE is hosted in partnership with [Stockport Sands](https://www.stockportsands.org.uk/) and is held at St. George's Church (28 Buxton Rd, Stockport, SK2 6NU at 2.00 pm. This special service offers a quiet, supportive space for families, friends, and anyone affected by the loss of a baby to come together, reflect, and remember alongside the local [Stockport NHS](https://www.stockportnhs.uk/) chaplaincy team.

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:
ISAIAH 5: 1-7

Psalm 79
The vineyard of
the Lord is the
house of Israel

SECOND READING:
PHILIPPIANS 4: 6-9

GOSPEL
ACCLAMATION:

ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA
I CHOSE YOU OUT OF
THE WORLD, SAYS
THE LORD, THAT YOU
SHOULD GO AND
BEAR FRUIT, AND
THAT YOUR FRUIT
SHOULD ABIDE
ALLELUIA

GOSPEL READING:
MATTHEW 21:
33-43

'THE STONE
THAT THE
BUILDERS
REJECTED HAS
BECOME THE
CORNER
STONE'

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 Kevin Hogan
Deacon John McKay

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

Ordinary Time Week XXVII
PSALTER WEEK III

Saturday 3rd October 2026

11.00—11.45 am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament followed by Benediction
12.00 Noon Mathew Mathew
6.00 pm Mass at St. Philip's - William Green RIP
Readings: Job 42: 1-3.5-6.12-17; Psalm 118; Luke 10: 17-24

Sunday 4th October 2026 - TWENTY SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8.30 am Fonpass Daviny Porashcal CHOIR
10.00 am Vito Angrisani RIP FOLK GROUP
11.00 am Syro Malabar Mass in St. Philip
2.30 pm Inclusion Mass
6.00 pm People of the Parish PRAISE BE!
Readings: Isaiah 5: 1-7; Psalm 79; Philippians 4: 6-9; Matthew 21: 33-43

Monday 5th October 2026 St Maria Faustina (Helena) Kowalska

12.00 pm Sheila Knight RIP
Readings: Galatians 1: 6-12; Psalm 110; Luke 10: 25-37

Tuesday 6th October 2026

12.00 pm Patricia Dorian RIP
Readings: Galatians 1: 13-24; Psalm 138; Luke 10: 38-42

Wednesday 7th October 2026 - Our Lady of the Rosary

9.15 am Mass at St. Philips - Marie Glennon RIP
12.00 pm Service of Word and Communion
Readings: Acts 1: 12-14; Psalm Luke 1: Luke 1: 26-38

Thursday 8th October 2026

12.00 pm Seamus Gallogley RIP
Readings: Galatians 3: 1-5; Psalm Luke 1: Luke 11: 5-13

Friday 9th October 2026 - St John Henry Newman

12.00 Noon Nimo Netto – Birthday Memories
Readings: 2 Timothy 4: 1-5; Psalm 96; John 18: 9-17

Saturday 10th October 2026

11.00—11.45 am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament followed by Benediction
12.00 Noon Terry Cunningham RIP
6.00 pm Mass at St. Philip's - People of the Parish
Readings: Galatians 3: 22-29; Psalm 104; Luke 11: 27-28

Sunday 11th October 2026 - TWENTY EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8.30 am Peter Geyerhosz RIP PIANO
10.00 am Sheila and Alan Appleby Intention JUNIOR CHOIR
11.00 am Syro Malabar Mass in St. Philip
6.00 pm Eileen Gladstones Intention PIANO
Readings: Isaiah 25: 6-10; Psalm 22; Philippians 4: 12-14. 19-20 Mathew 22: 1-14

DAY OF SPECIAL PRAYER FOR PRISONERS AND THEIR DEPENDENTS

Your prayers are asked for:

LATELY DECEASED Joan Hales whose Requiem will be at Our Lady's on Tuesday 6th October at 10.30 am followed by Cremation at Stockport Crematorium at 12.00 pm.

ANNIVERSARIES THAT OCCUR AROUND THIS TIME: Tom Davies, Clare Wroe, Michael Fogarty, Pat Dorrian, Vito Angrisani, Michael Burke, Tom Dunstan, Maura Burnett, Regina Macpherson, Gerard Kenny, Nicolina Cooke, David Yates, Kathleen Simpson, Bernard Pye, Umberto Tavini, Philippa Cranwell, Christine Slater, Kathleen Leigh, Therese Bailey, Bernadette Shannon, Terry Cunningham.

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.

BAPTISMS: We welcome into our Parish Community Leo Anthony Morrison who was Baptised here last week-end.

GOSPEL Matthew 21: 33-43

At that time: Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, 'Hear another parable. There was a master of a house who planted a vineyard and put a fence round it and dug a wine press in it and built a tower and leased it to tenants, and went into another country. When the season for fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants to get his fruit. And the tenants took his servants and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other servants, more than at first. And they did the same to them. Finally he sent his son to them, saying, "They will respect my son." But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, "This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and have his inheritance." And they took him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. When therefore the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?'

They said to him, 'He will put those wretches to a miserable death and let out the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the fruits in their seasons.' Jesus said to them, 'Have you never read in the Scriptures: "The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes"? Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people producing its fruits.'

BEREAVEMENT GROUP

The next meeting will be on Tuesday 13th October when we will be having 'Craft Remembrance' in preparation for November. If you would like more information about the Bereavement Group please contact Helen on 07854928072 or email admin@stpetershazelgrove.org. You are welcome no matter how recently or how long ago you lost a loved one.

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING The Bereavement Group would like to thank everyone for their kind donations in aid of the Macmillan Nurses. All raffle prizes, cakes and donations were gratefully appreciated. We raised £482.29 in total. Raffle prize numbers not claimed are Pink tickets 85 and 432 Orange ticket 709, please contact Helen in the office. Unclaimed Raffle prizes pink 432 85 orange 709 please call in the Parish office to collect prize.

JOIN US at FOOTSTEPS on THURSDAY 15 OCTOBER AT 7.30pm

We have the privilege of hearing **Joe O'Brien** share some of her thoughts and experiences on the captivating topic of "**Prayer: it's good to talk!**"

Joe is a nurse with over 40 years' experience, a home educator and avid reader. An evangelical who became Catholic, her own journey of faith has been one of questions, discoveries and a continuing search for truth. Joe is a relaxed seeker rather than someone who claims to have all the answers; she's particularly interested in discovering how prayer can become a joyful, life-giving conversation with a God who loves us.

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.

Remember, many of our talks have been recorded and are available on our parish website: <https://stpeterscatholic.church/Parish-News-Events/#talks-section>.

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.

ST PETER'S YOUTH GROUP (SPY) 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 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

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, 7th 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.

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

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'.

HELP NEEDED

We are always looking to welcome new helpers who can help to set up, serve, bake, drive, or help on a regular basis at our chai and chat group. Contact Clare for an informal chat via stpetershelpers@gmail.com or come along to our social and quiz night on 2nd October.

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

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.

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