OFFERTORY COLLECTION Thank you for your generous offerings, last weeks collection came to £1060.37 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 54674660**

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CHURCH CLEANING - Team 6 are on duty this week

LAMBS additional needs group will meet in the Parish Centre on Sunday 29th November the between 4.00 and 6.00 pm 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: 13th December,31st January,28th February, 28th March, 25th April, 30th May, 27th June, 25th July

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.

KNIGHTS OF SR. COLUMBA Catholic Men. Make a Difference – please see poster at the back of Church

Fairtrade and Eco Christmas Fair Saturday 14th November 10.30-3.00
Stockport Guildhall SK1 3UA.
Stalls with a choice of Fair Trade, sustainable and environmentally friendly gifts and foods from around the world. Free admission and parking. Music, Children's Activities, Raffle, Refreshments and Cakes. Parking and disabled access at rear of hall. www.stockport-fairtrade.org.uk

Stockport Ecumenical Christmas Carol Singing @ Aldi on 9th December
Come and sing with BBC Songs of Praise!
One of the world's longest-running TV programmes invites you to a special event at Christ Church West Didsbury.

Please see notices at the back of Church for both of these events

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.



HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR NOVEMBER

THE PROPER USE OF WEALTH
Let us pray for the proper use of wealth, that not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness ,it may always be put at the service, the common good and solidarity of those who have less.

THE WORD OF GOD

FIRST READING: Wisdom 6: 12-16

Psalm 62: For my soul is thirsting, O Lord,my God

SECOND READING: Thessalonians 4: 13-18

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA Stay awake and be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect ALLELUIA !

GOSPEL READING: MATTHEW 25: 1-13

'Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour'

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated in the Sacristy on Saturday morning 11am – 11.45am during Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

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ALL MASSES FROM ST PETERS WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE LIVE STREAM
www.churchservices.tv/stockport
Ordinary Time Week XXXI
Psalter Week III

Saturday 7th November 2026
11.00—11.45 am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament followed by Benediction
12.00 Noon James Keane RIP
6.00 pm Mass at St Philips - Sr Bernadette O'Dwyer RSM
Readings: Philippians 4: 10-19; Psalm 111; Luke 16: 9-15

Sunday 8th November 2026 Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
8.30 am People of the Parish PRAISE BE!
10.00 am Damien and Tony Byrne – Birthday memories CHOIRS
11.00 pm Syro Malabar Mass in St Philips
6.00 pm Abraham M, Chinnamma Abraham , John T and Aleyamma RIP PIANO
Readings: Wisdom 6: 12-16; Psalm 62; Thessalonians 4: 13-18;Matthew 25: 1-13
REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY - DAY OF SPECIAL PRAYER FOR ALL WAR VICTIMS

Monday 9th November 2026 The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica of the Most Holy Redeemer
12.00 pm Marie Glennon RIP
Readings: Ezekiel 47: 1-2.8-9. 12; Psalm 46; John 2: 13-22

Tuesday 10th November 2026 - St Leo the Great
12.00 pm Enda Donegan RIP
1.45 pm Funeral Service for Margaret Woodall at Stockport Crematorium
Readings: Titus 2: 1-8, 11-14: Psalm 36; Luke 17: 7-10

Wednesday 11th November - St Martin of Tours
9.15 am Mass at St. Philips - Veronica Leine RIP
12 Noon Allan and Wyn Robertshaw RIP
Readings: Titus 3: 1-7; Psalm 22; Luke 17: 11-19

Thursday 12th November 2026 – St Josaphat
12.00 pm Requiem Mass for Andrew Clayton
Readings: Philemon 1: 7-20; Psalm 145; Luke 17: 20-25

Friday 13th November 2026
12.00 Noon Kathryn Trueman RIP
Readings : 2 John 4-9; Psalm 118; Luke3 17: 26-37

Saturday 14th November 2026
11.00—11.45 am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament followed by Benediction
12.00 Noon The Farr Family
6.00 pm Mass at St Philips - People of the Parish
Readings: 3 John 5-8; Psalm 111; Luke 18: 1-8

Sunday 15th November 2026 Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
8.30 am Peter Hayward PIANO
10.00 am Fr. Taylor's Intention FOLK GROUP
11.00 pm Syro Malabar Mass in St Philips
6.00 pm Stuart Ryder RIP PIANO
Readings: Proverbs 31: 10-13. 19-20.30-31; Psalm 127;Thessalonians 5: 1-6; Matthew 25: 14-30
WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE POOR

Your prayers are asked for:

LATELY DECEASED Margaret Woodall whose funeral service will be at Stockport Crematorium in the Rowan Chapel at 1.45 pm on Tuesday 10th November**. Andrew Clayton** whose Requiem Mass will be here on Thursday 12th November at 12 Noon.**Richard Gregg** whose Requiem Mass will be here at St. Peter's on Thursday November 19th at 12.00 Noon followed by burial at Mill Lane Cemetery. **Barbara Stringer**

ANNIVERSARIES THAT OCCUR AROUND THIS TIME Bernard Smith, Frank Scholey,William Keenan,Winifride Cartwright, Arthur Mowatt, Idris Jack Morgan, Jonathan Collins,Dorothy Green, Sheila Blakeley,Jenette Riley,Jim Meehan,James Meikleham,Olivia Lawton,Dorothy McPartland, Nirimalla (Nimi) Netto,Domonic Dickin,Celia Barrow,Ian Hall,Thomas John Geeling,

THANK YOU
Rachel and John would like to thank you for all your love, kindness and support following the recent death of Rachel's Mum, Margaret Birch.

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 25: 1-13 At that time: Jesus told his disciples this parable, 'The kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, they all became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a cry, "Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him." Then all those virgins rose and trimmed their lamps. And the foolish said to the wise, "Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out." But the wise answered, saying, "Since there will not be enough for us and for you, go rather to the dealers and buy for yourselves." And while they were going to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the marriage feast, and the door was shut. Afterwards the other virgins came also, saying, "Lord, lord, open to us." But he answered, "Truly, I say to you, I do not know you." Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

BEREAVEMENT GROUP
Our next event will be on Friday 27th November at 1.30 pm when we will be having a Winter Lunch in the Members Lounge .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.

PARISH PASTORAL TEAM - Would you like to help make a difference in our parish? Please approach Fr Philip if you'd like to join the Parish Pastoral Team. We meet 4–5 times a year to share ideas, discuss pastoral needs and explore ways we can support and strengthen our parish community.

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

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.

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 **TONIGHT** 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

ALPHA

Alpha continues at St Philip's, Half Moon Lane, Offerton SK2 5LB this Tuesday at 7.30 with: 'How does God guide us?'
There's a place for you

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 stpetershelpers@gmail.com

Cards
Birthday, occasion and **Christmas** cards will be on sale after the 08.30 and 10.00 Masses on: 01, 08, 15, 22 and 29 Novenber, 06 and 20 December. There is a very varied selection of cards including both religious and non-religious Christmas cards and cards suitable for children. As usual, all of the proceeds will be use to support local good causes.

Cuppa and Chat Tuesday 17th November 1.30-3.00 main hall
Everyone is welcome to our friendly drop in Cuppa and Chat, it's a great way to get out and have a relaxed chat to friends old and new. Free, with an opportunity to make a small donation if you wish. We would love donations of cakes on the day please from 12.15. No booking needed. Helpers to drive, bake, set up, welcome, serve and chat are most welcome.

Christmas Lunch Tuesday 15th December 1.00-3.00 main hall
A reminder of the date for our forthcoming Christmas lunch with special visits from some of our schools, more information on how to book in due course. This year we will be tying up our goody bag deliveries with the Christmas Lunch too.

Helpers welcome. If you've ever thought about getting involved on an occasional basis, please do get in touch. We have our regular gatherings and our Chai and Chat group help people with conversational English too. Please get in touch with Clare if you are interested in learning more: stpetershelpers@gmail.com

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