

ST PETER'S CHURCH

(with St Joseph's, Hurst Green)

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THE NEWSLETTER

20th Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year C)

Mass Schedule

Date	Time	Mass Intentions	Feast
Sa 16 th	5.30pm St P's	John Whiteside L	The Vigil of 20 th Sunday of OT
Su 17 th	9.30am St J's	For the Parish	20 th Sunday of OT
	11.00am St P's	Mary Moss L (D&L H)	
Mo 18 th	No Mass		St Alberto Hurtado SJ P
Tu 19 th	8.00am St P's	Jean Taylor A	Weekday in ordinary time (Week 20)
Wed 20 th	8.00am St P's	Mary Moss L (RG)	St Bernard Abbot D
Th 21 st	No Mass		St Pius X Pp
Fr 22 nd	8.00am St P's	John Dillon L	The Queenship of Mary

(Holy Hour and Benediction are suspended for the summer, but confessions from 4.30pm Saturday)

L = Lately Dead, A = Anniversary of Death, R = Remembrance M = Martyr, V = Virgin, B = Bishop, Pp = Pope
 P = Personal Intention, S = Sick, B = Birthday F = Founders Mass D = Doctor, P = Priest, R = Religious

Please pray for the following, the anniversary of whose deaths occur at this time: Eileen Mary Holden, John Graham Darren, Hamish Williamson Kirkpatrick, Leonard Newbold and Bernadette Armstrong. *May they rest in the peace of the Lord.*

Readings at Mass

	20 th Sunday of OT (Year C)	21 st Sunday of OT (Year C)
First	Jer 18; 4 - 6, 8 - 10	Isaiah 66; 18 - 21
Second	Heb 12; 1 - 4	Heb 12; 5 - 7, 11 - 13
Gospel	Luke 12; 49 - 53	Luke 13; 22 - 30

Diocesan Website:

<http://www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk>

for information on our Diocese and what is happening.

Prayers Please

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Mary Moss who died suddenly and unexpectedly. Remember Felix and the family in your prayers too. Her funeral will take place in St Peter's on Thursday 4th September at 1pm.

Praying with the Pope in August 2025

For mutual coexistence

Let us pray that for societies where coexistence seems more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political religious or ideological reasons.

Look at www.ThePopeVideo.org for more information



I have come to cast fire on the earth

Today

Is the 20th Sunday of Ordinary Time. In the gospel Jesus instructs his disciples that his teaching will be a source of division.

Holy Hour and Benediction over the summer

Very few parishioners now come to the Holy Hour and Benediction on a Saturday evening. Fr Tim has decided to suspend it over the summer, but it will resume once the pupils return. He will still be available for confessions in St Peter's on a Saturday from 4.30pm.

St John the Evangelist events

On Saturday there is a "music/coffee/cake" event in St John's church from 10.30am – 12.30pm. Please support this if you can.

Weddings this week

Two couples will be celebrating the Sacrament of Marriage in our church this week. Please pray for Connor Blacker-Meek and Melanie Brogan, and Oliver Duffy and Amy Walsh on their special days.

Next Sunday

Is the 21st Sunday of Ordinary Time. In the gospel someone asks Jesus if only a few will be saved.

New Head at St Joseph's

The Governors of St Joseph's are pleased to announce a new headteacher for the primary school. She is Mrs. Jane McCormack who is currently the Deputy Headteacher of Holy Souls Roman Catholic Primary School, Blackburn. We wish Jane every success in her forthcoming role. I am sure she can count on the support of the parish as she settles into her new school.

Parish Confirmations

The bishop has given a date for confirmations for candidates from the Ribble Valley churches (Clitheroe, Whalley and Stonyhurst). Confirmations will be on Tuesday 23rd September at 7pm at St Mary's, Langho. We keep our candidates in our prayers.

Date for your Diary

Once more Caritas Salford is holding a sponsored walk to raise funds. They are doing the Tolkien Trail on Saturday 13th September. More information on their website.

Blesses Carlo Acutis canonisation

This had to be postponed because of the death of Pope Francis. It has been rescheduled and will take place on Rome on Sunday 7th September. Blessed Carlo will be the first saint born in this century. He is a patron saint of the internet and of youth.

Mount St Mary's College

There has been much reaction to the shock announcement of the immediate closure of Mount St Mary's College and its prep school, Barlborough Hall. Please keep the staff and pupils in your prayers. Unfortunately, a substantial donation to see them through this year never materialised. Attempts to save the school have so far proved to be unsuccessful.

Pope Leo to the youth of the world

Pope Leo addressed the youth gathered in Rome for World Youth Day on 3rd August. He spoke in English, Italian and Spanish. These are some extracts from his holily:

"We are closer than ever to young people who suffer the most serious evils, which are caused by other human beings."

"We are with the young people of Gaza. We are with the young people of Ukraine, with those of every land bloodied by war."

"My young brothers and sisters, you are the sign that a different world is possible. A world of fraternity and friendship, where conflicts are not resolved with weapons, but with dialogue." "Aspire to great things, to holiness, wherever you are,"

"Do not settle for less. You will then see the light of the Gospel growing every day, in you and around you."

More than one million young people gathered in Rome to celebrate with the Holy Father, from an estimated 150 different countries. They camped out where they could and many lost their voices through singing! All enjoyed a tremendous atmosphere.

Pope Leo announced that the next World Youth Day will be, in Seoul, South Korea from 3rd to - 8th August 2027.

The one million youth are part of the estimated 32 million people who will visit Rome during this Jubilee year.