

ST PETER'S CHURCH

(with St Joseph's, Hurst Green)

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THE NEWSLETTER

Fourth Sunday of Advent (Year B)

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Mass Schedule

Date	Time	Mass Intentions	Feast
Sa 23 rd	5.30pm St P's	The Nicholson & Wilcock Families	Vigil of the 4 th Sunday of Advent (B)
Su 24 th	9.30am St J's	For the Parish	4 th Sunday of Advent (Year B)
	11.00am St P's	Carol Ann Thomasson A	
	5.30pm St P's	For the children of the Parish	Christmas Vigil Mass
	9.00pm St P's	For the Parish	Christmas Night Mass
M 25 th	9.30am St J's	For the Parish	Christmas Day
	11.00am St P's	Rosemary Grimshaw (SP int)	
Tu 26 th	8.00am St P's	James Lee L	Feast of St Stephen M
W 27 th	8.00am St P's	John & Mary Wilcock A	St John Apostle and Evangelist
Th 28 th	No Mass		The Holy Innocents MM
F 29 th	8.00am St P's	Tim Rabbitt L	St Thomas Becket BM

(Each Saturday there are confessions and a Holy Hour from 4.30pm with Benediction at 5.15pm)

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. James Wilcock, William Duxbury, Michael Crotty, Francis Bretherton, Richard Platt, Carol Ann Thomasson, Florence Shallman, Joseph Holden, Mary Holden, Richard Henry Bolton and Bernard Edward Snape. *May they rest in the peace of the Lord.*

Readings at Mass

	4 th Sunday of Advent (Yr B)	Holy Family (Year B)
First	2 Sam 7; 1 - 5, 8 - 12, 14, 16	Ecclus 3; 2 - 6, 12 - 14
Second	Rom 16; 25 - 27	Heb 11; 8, 11 - 12, 17 - 19
Gospel	Luke 1; 26 - 38	Luke 2; 22 - 40

Diocesan Website:

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

for information on our Diocese and what is happening.

Frances Wilcock RIP

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Frances (of Bilsbury Cottages) who died in the week. Please remember her family in your prayers too. Funeral details to follow.

Praying with the Pope in December 2023

For persons with disabilities

We pray that people living with disabilities may be the centre of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusive programmes which value their active participation.

Look at www.ThePopeVideo.org for more information



You are to bear a son

This Sunday

Is the 4th Sunday of Advent. In the gospel the Angel tells Mary that she is to have a baby of the Holy Spirit. Sunday is also Christmas Eve, so see the Mass schedule below for vigil Masses..

The Christmas Collection

This collection goes to the Society of Jesus in recognition of the fact that we still have a Jesuit here at Stonyhurst. Please be generous.

Donations to the Crib

This year donations to the crib will go to the *Friends of the Holy Land* charity, which assists needy Christian families in Gaza, the West Bank and Israel.

Piety Stall in St Peter's

Has a selection of Christmas cards and gifts. A smaller selection is available outside the St Joseph's Chapel.

Coffee Stop

Takes place in the bowling pavilion on Thursday at 1.30pm. Come for a cuppa and a post-Christmas natter.

White Gates locked and closed

The white gates half way down the Avenue will be locked and closed for the Christmas season. They will be open for the main Sunday and Christmas Masses, but otherwise you need to use the SMH entrance.

Next Sunday

Is the feast of the Holy Family. In the gospel Jesus is presented in the temple and Simeon recognises him as the Christ.

Food bank and Caritas donations

Thanks to all those who donated to our local food bank and to Caritas Salford Maryvale Parent and Baby Unit. You have made a huge difference to the life of someone this Christmas. Thank you.

Diocesan Synod

Thanks to all who took part in the Diocese of Salford Synod. Our parish responses have been collated for the report we send into the diocese. A summary of the report will appear in the Christmas *Parish Extra*.

Trees down in the cemetery

Two trees have blown down in the cemetery due to the high winds last week. Please take extra care when visiting the graves of your loved ones.

Christmas and New Year Mass times

Sat 23rd Dec	5.30pm Mass in St Peter's (4th Advent)
Sun 24th Dec	9.30 am Mass in St Josephs (4th Advent) 11.00am Mass in St Peter's (4th Advent) 5.00pm Carols in St Peter's 5.30pm Mass including procession to crib In St Peter's (please bring your baby Jesus) 8.30pm Carols in St Peters 9.00pm Mass of Christmas in St Peter's <i>There is NO Mass at MIDNIGHT this year.</i>
Mon 25 th Dec	9.30am Mass in St Joseph's 11.00am Mass in St Peter's
Week after Christmas	Tue, Wed and Fri—Mass at 8am in St Peter's
Sat 29th Dec	Exposition at 4.30pm Mass at 5.30pm
Sun 30th Dec	9.30am Mass in St Joseph's 11.00am Mass in St Peter's
Mon 1st Jan	9.30am New Year's Day Mass in St Joseph's

Christmas Greetings

Fr Tim and Fr Peter would like to wish everyone a happy and blessed Christmas. May his peace reign in your hearts and in your homes.



Happy Christmas