ST PETER'S CHURCH

(with St Joseph's, Hurst Green)

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25th October 2026 **THE NEWSLETTER** **30th Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year A)**

Mass Schedule

Date	Time	Mass Intentions	Feast
Sa 24th	5.30pm St P's	Priest's Intention	Vigil of the 30th Sunday of OT (Year A)
Su 25th	9.30am St J's	For the Parish	30th Sunday of OT (Year A)
	11.00am St P's	Priest's Intention	
Mo 26th	No Mass		Weekday in Ordinary Time (Week 30)
Tu 27th	8.00am St P's	Communion Service	Weekday in Ordinary Time
Wed 28th	8.00am St P's	Communion Service	Sts Simon and Jude Apostles
Th 29th	No Mass		Weekday in Ordinary Time
Fr 30th	8.00am St P's	Robert Jackson A	Weekday in Ordinary Time

(Each Saturday during term time 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 Wilkinson, Sheila Holden, Sarah Bolton, Alice Holden, Cyril Wilcock, Fr Joseph Dooley SJ, Nora Gornall and Susan Blackburn. *May they rest in the peace of the Lord.*

Readings at Mass

	30th Sunday on OT (Year A)	Feast of All Saints
First	Exod 22; 21 – 27	Rev 7; 2 – 4, 9 – 14
Second	I Thes 1; 5c – 10	1 John 3; 1 – 3
Gospel	Matt 22; 34 - 40	Matt 5; 1 – 12a

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 Helen Addy, who died recently. She taught at the college for many years. Please keep her husband and son in your prayers too. Her funeral will take place on Tuesday 3rd November at 11am in St Peter's, followed by a private burial.

Praying with the Pope in October 2026
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 illness.

Look at www.ThePopeVideo.org for more information



Which is the greatest commandment?

Today
Is the 30th Sunday of Ordinary Time. In the gospel the Pharisees ask Jesus about which of the commandments is the most important. Fr Adrian Howell will celebrate the Masses this weekend. Thank you, Fr Adrian.

Pupils on Half Term
As our pupils are on half term, there is no benediction on Saturday, but confessions are available from 4.30 to 5.15 pm. The 11am Sunday will be a quiet one.

Half term at St Joseph's
St Joseph's primary are also on half term this week.

Fr Tim Away
Fr Tim is currently away from the parish on holiday and returns on Thursday. While he is away, the 8am morning Mass will be replaced with a Communion Service. Mass as normal on Friday.

Saying the Holy Rosary as a parish
October is a special month in honour of Our Lady. We have put up the special banners in St Peter's. We will recite the rosary as a parish every Wednesday at 7pm. This Wednesday we will gather at Linda Blakey's house (1 Whalley Road, opposite the war memorial). All welcome.

ParkPlay
Thank you to all our regular Parkplayers. Hurst Green Parkplay has now been going for a year. Unfortunately, we do not have a Play Leader for the next few Saturdays, and there will be no Hurst Green Parkplay on until November.

Next Sunday
Is the feast of all Saints. In the gospel Jesus teaches the beatitudes – our pathway to being a saint.

Next Sunday 11am Mass
The pupils are not back yet, but many OS will attend the 11am Mass next Sunday, so there will be singing.

All Souls' Day Mass in the Cemetery
Will take place on Monday 2nd November in our cemetery chapel. After the Mass, all of our loved ones graves will be blessed. Also, we will bless the new Stations of the Cross.

Remembrance Sunday
This year this falls on Sunday 8th November. On that day the 9.30 Mass will be in St Peter's. We gather at the war memorial in the village at 10.45am for the annual service. Avenue Road will be closed to traffic.

New Parish Pastoral Council
Currently 4 people have put their names forward for the new Pastoral Parish Council. Thank you. We can aim for an initial meeting shortly,

Prayers for Pope Leo
Let's keep Pope Leo in our prayers. He is due to embark on a 12 day visit to South America next week.

Date for your diary
There is a Community Social Event on Saturday 14th November at 7pm in the Memorial Hall. Quiz, pie and peas, bar, raffle and tombola! Entry by ticket only - £10 pp - Contact Niall 07786 432360 or Anne 07973 729281

Retreat at Theodore House
Fr Roger Dawson SJ is leading a retreat at Theodore House entitled: *'Be still and know that I am God'*: Exploring Mindfulness, Psychology and the Christian Life from Friday 20th November to– Monday 23rd November. More information and bookings via the Christian Heritage Centre website.

Mass Count
Over four weekends recently we have counted the number of people attending Mass

	5.30pm	9.30am	11am	Total
20 Sep	43	34	411	488
27 Sep	57	36	353	446
4 Oct	319	33	43	385
11 Oct	60	33	351	444
Average	120	34	290	**443**

Largely the numbers depend on which Mass the boarders attend. The average last year was **415**

Sts Simon and Jude
We celebrate these apostles feast this week on Wednesday. But why is St Jude the patron saint of lost causes? Unfortunately his name is similar to Judas Iscariot, who betrayed Jesus. In the New Testament he has a brief letter encouraging us to be strong. He is happy to intercede for us in hopeless situations.