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THE NEWSLETTER

21st Sunday of OT (Year A)

Mass Schedule

Date	Time	Mass Intentions	Feast
Sa 26 th	5.30pm St P's	Paul Wilson A	Vigil of the 21 st Sunday of OT
Su 27 th	9.30am St J's	For the Parish	The 21 st Sunday of Ordinary Time (A)
	11.00am St P's	Louise Bracken L	
M 28 th	No Mass		St Augustine BD
Tu 29 th	8.00am St P's	Communion Service	The Martyrdom of St John the Baptist.
W 30 th	8.00am St P's	Communion Service	St Margaret Clitheroe M
Th 31 st	No Mass		Weekday in Ordinary Time (Week 21)
F 1 st Sept	8.00am St P's	Margaret John L	St Edmund Arrowsmith SJ M

(Each Saturday there 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. Jo (Josephine) Nicholson, Alice Wilcock, William (Bill) Ramsdale, Bill Phillips, Philip Hardman, Anne Rita Marsland, Catherine Murtagh and Robert Hardman. *May they rest in the peace of the Lord.*

Readings at Mass

	21 st Sunday of OT (Year A)	22 nd Sunday of OT
First	Isaiah 22; 19 – 23	Jer 20; 7 – 9
Second	Rom 11; 33 – 36	Rom 12; 1 – 2
Gospel	Matt 16; 13 – 20	Matt 16; 21 – 27

Diocesan Website:

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

for information on our Diocese and what is happening.

Praying with the Pope in August 2023 For World Youth Day

We pray that the World Youth Day in Lisbon will help our youth to live the Gospel and give witness to Christ in their lives.

Look at www.ThePopeVideo.org for more information



On this rock I will build my church

This Sunday

Is the 21st Sunday of Ordinary Time. In the gospel, Jesus tells Peter that he is the Rock upon which he will build his church.

Fr Adrian

Thanks to Fr Adrian Howell for covering for Fr Tim last weekend. Fr Tim had a great retreat!

During the Holidays

There will be Holy Hour on Saturdays at 4.30pm, Benediction at 5.15pm and the Vigil Mass at 5.30pm in St Peter's.

Also there will be Mass at 11am in St Peter's each Sunday morning.

The Fr Tim Away

Fr Tim is away from the parish again this week from Monday to Wednesday. He is going to Paris to visit Fr Philip Endean who is now in end of life care. This means that once again the 8am Mass on Tuesday and Wednesday will be replaced by Communion Services. If anyone would like to send a card to Fr Philip, please let Fr Tim have it by Sunday evening. Please keep Fr Philip in your prayers.

Wedding Blessings

Please pray for Mathew Cox and Eleanor Carol who will celebrate the sacrament of Marriage in our church this week.

Next Sunday

Is the 22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time. In the gospel Peter tries to dissuade Jesus from going up to Jerusalem to suffer. Jesus tells him to "get behind me Satan!".

Results

The A Level and the O Level results have now been published. For Stonyhurst, they are a strong set of results with most students receiving predicted grades and some doing exceptionally well. Now our students have to make decisions about their future. Please keep them in your prayers.

Back to school

This is the last week of the summer vacation for many of our students. Let's keep them in our prayers as they prepare for the new academic year,

Eucharistic Ministers

A new academic year lies just around the corner. Fr Tim is looking for people to train as Eucharistic Ministers to help give the chalice at weekend Masses. If you are interested, please let him know.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

A new course will begin in September for those who wish to be baptised as Catholics or who wish be received into our church. If you, or someone you know would like to join the course, please let Fr Tim know. Baptisms and receptions usually take place at around Easter time.

Booklets for September

Please find the September issue of the *Messenger Magazine* and the *Day by Day* booklets at the back of the church. There are also some new prayer cards. Please help yourself.

Why come to daily Mass?

The church has always underlined the importance of coming to Mass on a Sunday and on important feast days. However, some Catholics like to come to Mass on weekdays as well. This is increasingly difficult in our neighbouring parishes, where one parish priest has to cover several parishes. Parishioners there only get the opportunity of weekday Masses once or twice a week.

We are fortunate here as there is a parish Mass three times a week: on a Tuesday, Wednesday and a Friday. The time of our weekday Masses is 8am and they are celebrated in St Peter's. This means that, during term time, pupils have the opportunity to attend Mass before their school day begins. Some members of staff also take advantage of the Mass. On occasion we welcome guests from Theodore House. In the *Our Father* we pray that we receive *each* day our "daily bread". While we have the invitation to come to the altar of the Lord during the week to receive the Body of Christ, let us willingly accept this call.

It is a sacrifice to make the effort to come to weekday Masses, but then this gives us an opportunity of showing the Lord how much we love him and how important he is to us in our daily lives.