**St Peter’s & St Raphael’s Stalybridge**

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**Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**5th November 2017**

**Mass Times and Intentions for the coming week**

Sat 4th Nov **6:30pm** Josie Welch

Sun 5th Nov **11:00am** Bernadette O’Brien

Mon 6th Nov **9:15am** Rachel Rogers

Tues 7th Nov **9:15am** Eucharistic Service

Wed 8th Nov **1:00pm** Eucharistic Service **UCM** Thurs 9th Nov 10:00am St. Raphael’s Whole School Mass School Intention

Fri 10th Nov **9:15am** Gordon Whitbread **St. Leo the Great**

**Sat 11th Nov 12:15pm Jack Bowker St. Martin of Tours 6:30pm Mary Aicken**

**Sun 12th Nov 11:00am Paul Duncroft**

**CONFESSIONS AND EXPOSITION :** 11.30am onwards

**THE SANCTUARY LAMP** is lit for Cath Tetlow.

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:** Please remember the sick and housebound in your daily prayers.

**BAPTISM :** we welcome into our parish family Ghillie Sam Rushton and Flora Skye Rushton who were baptised here this weekend.

**MONEY MATTERS**

**Offertory collection for last weekend £861.95, *thank you for your generosity.***

**Cafod Family Fast Day** raised a total of £299.35, many thanks.

**Also,** thank you to St. Peter’s Playgroup for their donation towards the up keep of the parish hall.

**APF Red Mission Boxes -** are now being counted please bring your box into church, leaving them in the sacristy and take a new box which are at the back of church. If anyone would like their box collecting please ring Loretta on 0161 303 1967. Thank you.

**Mary’s Meals -** The Old £1 coin is no longer legal tender, if you have any that you do not want please place them in the box at the back of church and they will be sent to Mary’s Meals. As it only costs £13.90 to feed a child at school for a whole year every £1 counts.

**Third World Group -** Many thanks for your generosity to our special collection. £526.29 was raised which will go a long way to help our friends in the Third World.

**PARISH NOTICES**

**TODAY IS THE THIRTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME. pg 149**

**In todays Gospel Jesus speaks as the gentle Messiah, the one who helps us with our burdens, we pray that we too may be that sign of hope to others.**

**THIS WEEK**

**Tues :** Choir Practice

**Wed :** UCM meeting

**Thurs :** Over 60’s Bingo at 1.30pm in the Parish Hall, all welcome.

 **7.30pm Prayer Group, everyone welcome**

**Fri :** SVP meeting

**Next Sun :** 2-4pm Italian Friends meet in the Parish Hall, all welcome.

**Diocesan Annual Mission Appeal -**  this weekend (4th/5th Nov) we will be welcoming Sister Michela Pirra from the Comboni Sisters who work together, mostly overseas, reaching out to the people most in need. We will be holding a retiring collection after both weekend Masses, please give as generously as you can.

**Pound Sunday -** thank you for your response to the Pound Sunday collection and stall previews. We look forward to receiving your filled carrier bags over the next few weeks.

**UCM -** Eucharistic Service Wednesday 8th November followed by meeting in the Parish Hall. Speaker Dr. Liz Needham. All ladies welcome.

**UCM Christmas Meal -** Ladies, once again you are invited to join the UCM for its Christmas Meal on Fri 8th Dec. This will be a three course carvery and there will also be entertainment. There is a list at the back of Church with more information. If you would like to join the UCM on the 8th Dec please add your name to the list at the back of Church and also tick which options of meal/drink you would like. Please note that the full amount must be paid by the 25th Nov.

**Christmas Fair -** only four weeks away. The Fair is on Saturday 25th November and donated items can be brought along to Church or the Presbytery any time before then. Please be as generous as you can. There is also a list at the back of Church asking for helpers before and after the Fair. Pease add your name if you can help. Many thanks.

**St. Peter’s School -** have availability for their Nursery Unit from January 2018, morning sessions only - 15 hours per week. Please contact school for more details.

**Foodbank Collection -** are urgently in need of instant mash, coffee, fruit juice and cordials. Please leave in the collection box at the back of church. Thanks in advance for your continued generosity.

**Greystones -** are looking for small 1 or 2 man tents. If you have one you no longer need please bring to church or contact Rob White on 0161 338 6982.