

St Peter & St Raphael Stalybridge

Part of Tameside Pastoral Area in the Diocese of Shrewsbury (A Registered Charity)
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Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

25th October 2020

Mass Times and Intentions for the coming week

Sat 24th Oct	6:30pm	
Sun 25th Oct	11:00am	Doreen Stenton
Wed 28th Oct	10:00am	Parishioners
Sat 31st Oct	6.30pm	Michael & Margaret Hemming
Sun 1st Nov	11:00am	Barbara Watson All Saints

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

RECENTLY DECEASED: we remember all our recently deceased and their families at this sad time of loss.

MONEY MATTERS

Offertory collection for weekend 11th Oct £814.47, and last weekend £521.20, *thank you for your generosity.*

Cafod Family Fast Day raised a magnificent total of £324.80, many thanks.

Mary's Meals Porridge Day - many thanks to everyone who contributed to Porridge Day. In addition to any donations made by text £395 was raised in cash.

Tameside East Foodbank Collection - we have now re-started the collection of food for our local foodbank. They are in desperate need of tinned meat, fish, fruit, vegetables, rice pudding, custard, pasta, instant mash, long life fruit juice/squash and long life milk. The collection box will be situated at the back of church near St. Peter, where you can place your items before being sealed. Please try and bring your donations in a carrier bag if you can. Any donations will be most gratefully received.

Mary's Meals/Little Way - If anyone has a Mary's Meals or Little Way box please bring it along to Church/Presbytery for emptying. They can be left with a steward at the back of church or handed in to Michelle during Office hours. Please ensure your name and address is on the box and they will be returned to you at home.

PARISH NOTICES

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Gospel Matt *hew* 22:34-40 The greatest commandment is: love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul and all your mind; the second: love your neighbour as yourself. These should be at the very centre of our lives, and should be revealed in the way in which we live. Loving God with all of our heart, soul and mind means to spend time with him each day, trying to learn more about him and his commandments. Loving neighbour means a firm commitment to put others first and self last: ensuring that we treat all people generously – whether we like them or not.

Next Weekend's Scripture Readings;

First Reading *Apocalypse* 7:2-4, 9-14

Second Reading 1 *John* 3:1-3

Gospel *Matthew* 5:1-12

Important - *In conjunction with the newly launched NHS Track and Trace App, we will display a QR Code on entrance to Church, should you wish to use this.*

Please don't forget to telephone Pat & Peter on 0161 330 1735 to book your place at the Mass you wish to attend. As we are not obliged to fulfil our Sunday Obligations at the moment don't forget our Mass on Wednesday morning at 10am which is a less busier Mass.

Church Heating - as we await guidelines from the Diocese regarding the church heating please make sure that you wrap up warm when attending Mass as the current Covid secure guidelines stipulate good ventilation in enclosed spaces, therefore we have to keep the main church doors open at all times. Thank you for your understanding and co-operation.

Safeguarding and Renewal of DBS Forms - In view of the disruption to parish life caused by the pandemic situation please be assured that any DBS forms requiring renewal will be dealt with as soon as the safeguarding office is working to full capacity. In the meantime, should there be any queries, please contact Stephen Giblin on the number given on the top of the opposite page.

UCM Prayer Shawls - During these unsettled times the UCM would like the shawls to go to anyone who is facing any challenges of any nature, whether it is illness, stress or family worries. As the members of the UCM are unable to meet at the moment, the Shawls are available for you to pick up after any of the Masses, if you wish. Alternatively you can ring Stella on 07854 061493 or Pat on 07784 135812 to arrange for a shawl to be delivered. The shawls will be "Covid Safe" (not handled for 72 hrs prior to distribution) and available after Masses.

Diocesan In-House Solicitor - The Diocese of Shrewsbury are looking to recruit an In-House Solicitor, who will be required to provide legal advice and support on a range of matters including employment and HR (including sponsor management for overseas workers), commercial, probate, litigation and academy conversion. Based at the Curial Offices in Birkenhead. Full details and application form can be found at <http://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/about-us/curia/vacancies> Completed applications should be returned to; recruitment@dioceseofshrewsbury.org Closing Date Friday 6 November 2020