

St Peter & St Raphael, Stalybridge

Part of Tameside Pastoral Area in the Diocese of Shrewsbury (A Registered Charity)

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Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

16th February 2025

Mass Times and Intentions for the coming week

Sat	15th February	6:30pm	Mass - Graham Lancake
Sun	16th February	11:00am	Mass - Sue G and Family

Mon	17th February		No Mass
Tue	18th February	9:15am	Mass - Special Intention
Wed	19th February	9:15am	Mass - Special Intention
Thurs	20th February		No Mass
Fri	21st February	9:15am	Mass - Special Intention

Sat	22nd February	6:30pm	Mass - Christopher Leach
Sun	23rd February	11:00am	Mass - The Hyde Family

This Coming Week

Tues: 10:30am- Choir Practice in the Church **1:00pm** - Prayer Group

Thurs: Over 60s Bingo

SANCTUARY LAMP: is lit for the Parishioners of St Peter and St Raphael.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: please remember the sick and housebound in your daily prayers. If you know of any sick or housebound parishioner who would like Holy Communion, please contact Fr. Philip.

RECENTLY DECEASED: we keep in our prayers, Margaret Waugh, Vittorio Forgetta, Margaret Brown, Dominic Petruzzelli, Winifred Edwards and all our recently deceased and offer prayers for their families.

FUNERALS THIS WEEK: There are no funerals in the Parish this week.

CONFESSION: Saturday at 11:30—12 noon or by appointment.

BAPTISM: We welcome into our Parish Family Blossom Ann Howson who will be baptised here this weekend.

MONEY MATTERS: The collection total for 9th Feb was £544.10.Thank you.

COUNTERS - Mary

Collection - Priests Retirement fund - Thank you for your generous response to the Priests Retirement fund collection, to support priests who have reached the retirement age of 75. As we know many Priests carry on working but to offer support for them is very important and a duty of care placed upon the Diocese. If anyone missed the collection last week and would like to give then please see Father Philip.

PARISH NOTICE

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In today's Gospel we read St Luke's version of the sermon on the mount. With Luke's special emphasis on the loving kindness of Christ and care for the poor. We ask that we can follow the Lord's loving example today.

St Raphael's First Forgiveness - We give thanks for last Wednesday's celebration of First Forgiveness for our St Raphael children who will soon be beginning their First Holy Communion preparation - we continue to keep the children and their families in our prayers.

Applications for this years First Forgiveness and First Holy Communion

If there are any remaining parents and children who do not attend our Catholic schools but would like to be part of the programme, please contact Father Philip as applications will close at the end of next week.

MAISIE MOO'S MISSIONS - Good news we are now able to donate blood in memory of a very special young lady, Maisie Almond.

We are delighted to be able to announce that you can now book your blood donation appointment at All Saints Catholic College, Birch Lane, Dukinfield SK16 5AP. Their first session is on Thursday 10th April. Please book your blood donation appointment via the NHS Blood Donation website.

<https://my.blood.co.uk/your-account/sign-up/?intent=blood>. Maisie attended All Saints Catholic College, and so it is fitting that this is the first venue that will hold sessions. Thanks All Saints for your continued support and for generously providing hall space for free. PLEASE DONATE IF YOU CAN

Food bank - Thank you for your continuing generosity in donations to the foodbank. All, dry, canned, packaged food and toiletries gratefully accepted and appreciated.

Greystones - Greystones need towels, either new or used. They have also made a particular request for toiletries, toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap, shower gel, shampoo, deodorant etc. Please leave at the back of Church marked for Greystones. Many thanks.

A message from our Diocesan Director of Schools, Mr Richard Woods -

A recruitment process for the Deputy Director of Schools is now underway, If you would like further information or candidate pack and application form please contact Liam Dowds, our Emmaus Advising Consultant, on 01737 652 043 or email him at ldowds@emmausleadership.me

Day of Special Prayer for Racial Justice - Today we offer our special prayers for racial justice in our country and across the world.