

## St Peter & St Raphael, Stalybridge

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

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**Parish Office Hours:** Mon & Wed 8.45am -13:45pm, Fri: 9:20am - 13:20pm

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### Second Sunday of Easter

27th April 2025

Mass Times and Intentions for the coming week

Sat	26th April	6:30pm	Mass - Colin Kelly
Sun	27th April	11:00am	Mass -Tony Bain
		<b>2:00pm</b>	<b>Divine Mercy Service -Lead by Deacon Antony</b>
Mon	28th April	9:30am	Mass - for Bishops of England and Wales
Tue	29th April	9:30am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Wed	30th April	1:30pm	<b>Pauline Frier - Funeral Service</b>
Thurs	1st May		No Mass
Fri	2nd May	9:15am	St James Class Mass - Nursery
Sat	3rd May	6:30pm	Mass - Martin Turnbull Ross
Sun	4th May	11:00am	Mass - Parishioners

### This Coming Week

**Tues: 10:00am** - 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, Norah Cousil, Robert Lees, John Stanley Bain, Joseph Seddon, Pauline Frier and all our recently deceased & offer prayers for their families.

**FUNERALS THIS WEEK:** Wed 30th April-Pauline Frier-Led by Father Philip.

**SOLEMNITIES THIS WEEK:** We continue our Easter celebrations.

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

**BAPTISM:** This week we welcome into our Parish family Matilda Jane Kelly who will be baptised here this weekend.

**MONEY MATTERS:** The total for the Easter collection was £811. Bank payments received from 2/1 to 31/3 were £3,347.00. Thank you for your generosity.

**COUNTERS** - Stephen and Pauline

## PARISH NOTICE

### Second Sunday of Easter (Page No: 256)

Today we continue our rejoicing in this Easter week as we celebrate the Second Sunday of Easter, also known as Divine Mercy Sunday. As we rejoice in the resurrection of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ we give thanks for the merciful love of God that we experience each day.

**Pope Francis** - On Monday morning we heard the sad news of the death of Our Holy Father, Pope Francis. We give thanks for his years of dedicated service to our Church and now pray for his eternal rest. As we pray for the Holy Father we also pray for the Church across the world that we may be guided by the love on the Holy Spirit at this important time.

**Divine Mercy Service** - This Sunday at 2:00pm Deacon Antony will be leading a special service for Divine Mercy Sunday as we reflect on the love of God this Easter. All are welcome to join Deacon Antony as he leads prayers and readings for Divine Mercy Sunday.

**MARY'S MEALS:** if you have a Mary's Meals collection box can you please bring in to church as soon as possible. Please leave in the sacristy and you can collect a replacement from the back of church. Many thanks for your continued support. Rob White

**Caritas Boxes** - Caritas boxes are due for emptying, please leave these at the back of Church. Any problems please call Moya Evans on 0161 338 6615. Thank you, Moya

### **Red Box 2024: Thank You!**

In 2024, St. Peters & St. Raphaels raised £716.95 through our Red Boxes and donations to Missio and the Mill Hill Missionaries. Thank you! Our missionary community here at St. Peters & St. Raphaels is part of a worldwide network of people supporting missionaries overseas through prayer and financial assistance. Your support of Missionary Priests, like Fr Glenn MHM working with a rural community in Tompong, Cambodia, enables people to come together to celebrate the Eucharist and to work together to improve the lives of the whole community. Visit [missio.org.uk](http://missio.org.uk) to find out more.

**Assisted suicide Bill** - Committee Stage of the assisted suicide Bill has ended. It is now weaker and less safe than it was before. 300+ amendments that sought to strengthen safeguards in the Bill and protect vulnerable groups were rejected by Bill supporters, including protection for people with disabilities and domestic abuse victims. ***Please take action now - collect a red and white postcard, fill out your details and post it to your MP today!***

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