

St Peter & St Raphael, Stalybridge

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Fifth Sunday of Lent

6th April 2025

Mass Times and Intentions for the coming week

Sat	5th April	6:30pm	Mass - Mary Mason
Sun	6th April	11:00am	Mass - Parishioners
Mon	7th April		No Mass
Tue	8th April		No Mass
Wed	9th April	9:15am	St Peter's Whole School Mass
		12:30pm	UCM Mass
		1:45pm	St Peters Easter Reflections Service
Thurs	10th April	9:15am	St Raphael's Whole School Mass
Fri	11th April	9:15am	Mass - Elizabeth Holt
		2:30am	St James School Reconciliation Service
			Palm Sunday
Sat	12th April	6:30pm	Mass - Parishioners
Sun	13th April	11:00am	Mass - Pat Walker

This Coming Week

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

Wed: 12:00noon - UCM Mass and Meeting **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, Dominic Petruzzelli Winifred Edwards, Moira Boyd, Bernard Kempster, Norah Cousil, Robert Lees and all our recently deceased & offer prayers for their families.

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

SOLEMNITIES THIS WEEK - Ferial Masses for Lent this week.

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

BAPTISM: We pray for our recently baptised.

MONEY MATTERS: Collection total for 30th March £463.50. Thank you for your generosity.

COUNTERS - Stephen & Pauline

PARISH NOTICE

The Fifth Sunday of Lent (Page No: 176)

In today's Gospel we hear a well known story from St John's Gospel where Jesus speaks about our need for forgiveness for our sins. We ask that during this time of lent an throughout this Jubilee Year we may always be aware of the sacrament of confession.

Mini-bus Trip to the Chrism Mass - Wednesday 16th April - There is a list at the back of Church to sign if Parishioners would like to join Father Philip and Deacon Antony on this trip to Wythenshawe for the Chrism Mass led by Bishop Mark. The minibus will leave St Peter's Church at 5:30pm in order to arrive in good time for the Mass which begins at 7:00pm.

SVP Coffee Morning - **Next Sunday 13th April** the SVP invite you to come and join them for refreshments after 11am Mass in the Parish Hall. It is a lovely opportunity for Parishioners to come together for teas and coffees and the SVP are hoping to do this on the second Sunday of each month.

Stations of the Cross for the Sundays of Lent -For the Sundays of Lent Deacon Antony will be leading us in stations of the cross and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. This will be for all the remaining Sundays of Lent including Palm Sunday and begins at 2:00pm

Palm Sunday and Holy Week Volunteers - Could you help! If you are a reader/ministers and are able to help at any of the Masses please sign the list on the notice board. Father is also looking for Holy Thursday candidates for Washing of Feet, please place your name on the notice board.

Weekly Offering Envelopes and Gift Aid - are available on the table at the back of the church. The boxes are arranged in alphabetical order. Please only take your own envelopes. If your circumstances have changed, e.g. you no longer pay tax, or if a box was put out for you but you now give by standing order, or you would like to start using gift aid envelopes, then please phone the office to leave contact details.

Missio Red Boxes - It is once again time to empty the Red Boxes. I will be paying in all monies at the beginning of April. Could holders of Red Boxes please bring them into church and leave them in the Sacristy before Easter. There is a supply of empty boxes at the back of church. **Please fill in your name and address on the label on the bottom of the box you are leaving. This is especially important if you gift aid.**

Third World Group -We would like to thank all those who supported the Baby Fair and helped to raise money for our brothers and sisters in need across the world.

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

Easter Flower Collection - There will be a collection after Mass this weekend for Flowers to decorate our Church at Easter. Thank you for your generosity.