St Peter & St Raphael, Stalybridge

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Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

20th July 2025

Mass Times and Intentions for the coming week

Sat	19th July	6:30pm	Mass - Special Intention
Sun	20th July	11:00am	Mass - Teresa Cannings
Mon	21st July	9:30am	St Raphael's School Leavers Mass
	22nd July	9:15am	St Peter's School Leavers Mass
Wed	23rd July		No Mass
Thurs	s 24th July		No Mass
Fri	25th July		No Mass
Sat	26th July	6:30pm	Mass - Special Intention
Sun	27th July	11:00am	Mass - Parishioners

This Coming Week

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

Thurs: Over 60s Bingo Friday: SVP Meeting

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, David Taylor, Paul Mazurek, Pauline Brayshaw and all our recently deceased and offer prayers for their families.

FUNERALS THIS WEEK: There are no Funerals in the Parish this week. **SOLEMNITIES THIS WEEK:** There are no week day solemnities this week.

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

BAPTISM: This week we welcome into our Parish Family Henry Stephen Bright who will be baptised here this weekend.

MONEY MATTERS: The collection total for 25th July was £641.30. Thankyou. COLLECTION FOR SEAFARERS: The total for this collection on the weekend of 19th/20th July was £287.20. Thank you for your generosity COUNTERS: Peter

PARISH NOTICE

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In today's Gospel Jesus visits the sisters Martha and Mary to share the word of God. As we take the opportunity to give thanks for our families and Friends, we offer our payers for all those we are close to especially those who may be most in need.

<u>SVP - Raffle</u> - There is another opportunity to buy tickets for the SVP raffle this weekend, which raises money to go towards their important work in the community. We give thanks for all the good work of the SVP and assure them of our prayers and our support.

End of the School Year - The coming week brings us to the end of the school academic year and we offer our prayers and thanksgiving for another successful year in our schools as we give thanks for the achievements of St Peters School and St Raphaels School and also pray for our friends at St James the Great, Hattersley. We wish all concerned a very happy school holiday, hopefully a time of rest, recreation and some good weather!

A thank you for this years Confirmation—Friday 18th July 2025 - Father Philip and Deacon Antony would like to thank all those who were involved in the Confirmation programme, particularly the young people who have represented the Parish by the commitment that they have shown. We would also like to thank our Altar Servers who gave up their time to serve at the Confirmation Mass and the help that they gave to make the Mass run so smoothly. We now offer our prayers for our Confirmation candidates and ask that they may be truly blessed in the years ahead.

World day for Grandparents and the Elderly - Sunday 27th July 2025 - We will celebrate this day in honour of all grandparents and elderly members of our congregation next week. This day, established by Pope Francis, is dedicated to recognizing the vital role of grandparents and the elderly within families and communities. The theme for this year is "Blessed are those who have not lost hope".

Parish Pilgrimage day to Shrewsbury to Celebrate the Jubilee Year - Wednesday 17th September 2025 - The arrangements have now been made for this very special day at Shrewsbury Cathedral as we celebrate the Jubilee Year of Hope. The coach has been booked and the cost is £20.00 per person. There is a list at the back of Church to sign for those Parishioners who would like to come along. All are very welcome.

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