

St Peter & St Raphael, Stalybridge

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

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Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

2nd August 2026

Mass Times and Intentions for the coming week

Sat	1st August	6:30pm	Mass -Michael Maher - BR/ Patrick Finn - RIP
Sun	2nd August	11:00pm	Mass - Melissa Hughes / Parishioners
Mon	3rd August		No Mass
Tue	4th August		No Mass
Wed	5th August		No Mass
Thurs	6th August		No Mass
Fri	7th August	12:30pm	Mary Barlow - Funeral Mass
Sat	8th August	6:30pm	Mass - Priest's Intention
Sun	9th August	11:00pm	Mass - Parishioners

This Coming Week

Tues: 10am Choir Practice in Church **No Prayer Group until Sept**

Thurs: Over 60s Bingo as usual **except closed 27th Aug/3rd Sept**

Sunday: SVP Coffee morning

SANCTUARY LAMP: burns for the Choir of St Peter and St Raphael

RECENTLY DECEASED: we keep in our prayers, Irene Faulds, Dorothy Rogers, Anthony Walker, Ann McMyler, Mary Barlow and all our recently deceased and offer prayers for their families.

BAPTISM: This weekend we welcome into our Parish family Erica Raine Dean-Downend who will be Baptised here this weekend.

MONEY MATTERS: Collection totals will be provided in September. Thankyou very much for your generosity.

COUNTERS: Stephen & Pauline

PARISH NOTICE

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As we continue with Matthew's Gospel, we are introduced to the feeding of the at least 5,000. Again, we are being reminded that with God everything is as it should be. There is no hunger, or strife. There's no fighting over food and sustenance.

There just simply is the banquet of plenty for all who believe.

Diocesan News - If you have not already been aware last week the Bishop announced that Father Owen will be staying with us permanently and taking up the position of Parish Priest of St Peter & St Raphael and St James. Please pray/continue to pray for his ministry among us.

SVP Coffee Morning - this Sunday 2nd August after 11:00am Mass - Parish Family. Meet and make new friends and catch up with old friends at the SVP sponsored Coffee Morning. Free Refreshments. All Welcome.

Congratulations - Many congratulations to Stephen and Pauline Giblin and also Colin Earnshaw who were all invited to recent Garden Parties at Buckingham Palace in recognition of their 30 plus years volunteering with Willow Wood. What a tremendous accolade to receive for such dedication to the Golden Rule.

UCM Charity Walk - To raise funds for this year chosen charity, Willow Wood. A number of our UCM Ladies will be doing a 4K charity walk around Dovestone on **Tuesday 8th September**. If we are not able to access Dovestone there will be an alternative local venue for the walk and we will give further details nearer the date. If you would like to sponsor our ladies, there is a sponsor form on the notice board. Any monies will be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

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 - need men's jogging bottoms and toiletries, Please leave at the back of Church clearly marked for Greystones. Thank you.

Parish Office - This will be the last Newsletter for the summer, if you have anything urgent please leave a message or email the Parish Office, it will usually be monitored as regularly as possible so please do be patient