

St. Paul's Newsletter

Mass Intention

Vigil Mass	25th	6.30pm	Mary Catherine Moore
Sunday Mass	26th	10:00am	Parishioners
Monday	27th	9.30am	Word & Communion
Tuesday	28th	9.30am	Word & Communion
Wednesday	29th	9.30am	Mary Doyle
Thursday	30th	7.30pm	Word & Communion
Friday	31st	9.30am	Word & Communion
Vigil Mass	1st	6.30pm	William Bracken
Sunday Mass	2nd	10:00am	Parishioners

Preparation Responsibilities & Mass Ministers 1st & 2nd Apr 2017

Church cleaning	Barbara Tomlinson & Moira Moore		
Flowers	No Flowers During Lent		
Piety 6.30 pm	Bridie Stephen		
10.00 am	Ronnie Ryder		
Counting	John Long		
Eucharistic Ministers	Sat 1st	6.30pm	Janet Oldham & Brendan Hickey
	Sun 2nd	10:00am	Leo Turnbull, Sheila Beaumont & TBA
Readers	Sat 1st	6.30pm	Nano Duffy
	Sun 2nd	10:00am	Chris Grant
Altar Servers	Sat 1st	6.30pm	James Pimblett & Reuben Beck
	Sun 2nd	10:00am	Peter Robinson
Sacristan	Sat 1st	6.30pm	Janet Oldham
	Sun 2nd	10:00am	Jacqui Feely
Little Church	Sun 2nd	10:00am	Marie Coughlan & Nina Cassidy
Musicians	Sun 2nd	10:00am	Ros & Hugh
Welcomers	Sat 1st	6.30pm	Mary & John Scanlon
	Sun 2nd	10:00am	Maureen & Peter Leigh
PowerPoint	Sat 1st	6.30pm	Martin Wilson
	Sun 2nd	10:00am	Duncan Grant

To add something to the **newsletter**, kindly contact the Presbytery via tel. **872606** or email stpaulspoynton@gmail.com with the details. The deadline for items for inclusion is Thursdays at 10am. Thank you for your support!

Our Parish website: www.stpaulspoynton.org.uk
 Our School website: www.stpauls.cheshire.sch.uk
 Our Pre-school website: www.stpauls-pre-school.co.uk

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Fr Peter H Burke

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Weekly Service Times:

Mon	9.30am	Word & Communion
Tues	9.30am	Word & Communion
Weds	9.30am	Mass
Thurs	7.30pm	Word & Communion
Fri	9.30am	Word & Communion
Sat	6.30pm	Vigil Mass
Sun	10:00am	Sunday Mass



4th Sunday of Lent 25th & 26th March 2017

There's more to it than meets the eye.....

Last week we read about "living water", this week we are invited to consider whether we live in the light or the dark - whether we see or whether we don't see. We so often have to judge by appearances, by what we see with our eyes, taste with our tongues, or how things feel to our sense of touch.... We know that God sees the heart, and so often in the Scriptures we know that there seems to be an upside down way of judging things.... The last come first, the weak are the strong... and in the Gospel today we read how the blind man sees, not just with his eyes, but also with faith, and the Pharisees who can "see", become increasingly blind to the realities in front of them.

Thought for the week

None are so old,
as those who have outlived enthusiasm

We warmly welcome Monseigneur O'Neill who will kindly be celebrating masses with us this weekend.

Thank you for your generous offerings last Sunday, which totalled £401.87p and thanks for your Family Fast Day offerings which we are pleased to let you know totalled £490.00.



Coffee & cake will be available for all parishioners in the conservatory This Sunday following morning Mass

LENT: Morning Prayers of the church: Mon, Weds and Fri mornings at **9.20am** during lent.
Stations of the Cross: Tues 7th at 9.20am and Thurs 9th at 7.20pm and each subsequent Tues morning and Thurs evening.

Little Church Lenten Tree: This week's focus word is "Healing". We will be talking with the children about how in different times and ways we bring God's healing to others through our prayers and our actions. The leaves this week depict Jesus healing a blind man.

MARPLE CHORAL SOCIETY, Sat, 1st Apr 2017 at 7.30pm Faure: Requiem, Britten: Rejoice in the Lamb. Norbury Parish Church, Hazel Grove, SK7 4RF Tks: £12 on the door. Students / under 18 half price. To reserve ring 01663 763509.

Well Spring Silent Auction: Fri 7th April at 7pm for 7.30pm start at The Wellspring Harvey St. SK1 1YD. Entrance by ticket only, priced at £10 which includes a hot pot supper and glass of wine. They can be purchased from Pat 0161 483 5061 or Pauline 0161 427 2763.

St John Passion by Cantores Oecumenica at Holy Angels Church, Hale Barns on Sun 9th April at 4pm. Entry is free. Poster in church or info at www.cantoresoec.org

CTiP (Churches Together in Poynton): **Palm Sun 9th Apr, 12.30-12.45**, Joint Service at St. Georges: Dedicating Poynton Cross in the name of Jesus Christ, to the glory of God. Join us for hymns & a blessing from Bishop Libby. **Easter Sunday 16th Apr at 6.30pm**, St. Georges 'Creative Sunday', you are invited to bring along something you've enjoyed from this year of worship: e.g. a hymn, a prayer etc.

SVP: Next meeting will take place on **Monday, 10th April at 6.00pm** in the conservatory.

Easter Sunday 16th Apr at 6.30pm, St. Georges 'Creative Sunday', you are invited to bring along something you've enjoyed from this year of worship: e.g. a hymn, a prayer etc.

Day of Reflection on Pope Francis' Exhortation 'The Joy of Love': 10.30am - 3pm, Weds 26th April at LACE, Croxeth Drive, Sefton Park, Liverpool, L17 1AA and led by Father Chris Thomas, the well-known Charismatic. Cost £20 including lunch.

Alpha at St Albans begins on **Thurs 27th April at 7pm** in the Parish Centre. Alpha is an opportunity to explore life and the Christian. Everyone is welcome, of any faith background or none. The evening includes a light supper. The programme runs for 10 wks., includes a 'Holy Spirit' afternoon in the Parish Centre on **Sun 11th June**. If you are interested in joining us and can commit to the dates and times, please sign up on the list in the church entrance. For more information email Helen at maccalpha@gmail.com or contact Hannah on 07428 519652.

All Hallows Catholic College Year 5 Open Mornings 9.30am-11am Monday 15 May & Friday 16 June 17 & **Year 5 Introduction Evening** 6pm-8pm Thursday 15 June 17, Tel. 01625 426138

St. Simon's Catholic Primary School, has two permanent posts required for Sept 2017. There are further details on the noticeboard.

Oberammergau Passion Play 2020 is held every 10 years, and is due to be performed throughout summer of 2020. If you're interested in joining a group from Poynton for an Oberammergau based break in 2020, see poster in church for further details. To register your interest contact: Dave McClelland, Tel: 01625 877797 or email dave.mcclelland@ntlworld.com.

Active Kids 2017: We're collecting Sainsbury's vouchers which schools can exchange for equipment. Place yours in the envelope at the back of church and we'll forward them to school.

Lent is a traditional time for "giving alms" – a very practical and positive way to do this is by bringing tins of foodstuffs, especially meats, sausages etc., and placing them in the box in the porch, and these are taken down to the Wellspring Centre in Stockport which provides meals every day for the homeless of the town.

Please remember in your prayers those who are sick: Fr. Peter, Fr. Harry, Gabriel Drew, Daniel Burke, Sandra Bradley, Chris Nuri, Nicholas Kirk, Sheelagh O'Hanlon, Mary Tooby, Chris Browne, Madeleine Williams, Max Emerson, Monica McDonnell, John Biggar, Elliott Richardson, Joyce Keating, Peggy Burke, Bea Heyes, John White, Margaret Wilson, Maura Agnew, Elizabeth McNiff, Catherine Vermuden, Carol Jamiesen, Joseph Martin, Doris Lear, Bobbie Drakeford, Mandy Hawkyard, Paul Bianchi, John Traynor & Janet Birtles.

*Please remember Felix Kampelmann in your prayers, he died on Tues 21st March.
Please also remember his family, particularly Thekla who is one of our parishioners.*

We remember in our prayers those with anniversaries round about now: Steven Cohen, Harry Winder, Bridget Knowles, Jane Williams, Rita Boggan, Eileen Slater, John Creek, Mary Moore, Teresa Dixon, Eileen O'Donnell, Josephine Clancy, William Thomason, Josie Hardcore, Andrew Maloney, Charles Holmes, Alicia Hessian, Jean Cunningham, Felix Marley.

Sunday Mass in our Missals

Entrance Antiphon	477
Readings / Gospel	477
Lenten Preface	51
Eucharistic Prayer	17
Communion Antiphon	488

Gospel Acclamation:

Glory to you O Christ, you are the Word of God

I am the light of the world says the Lord,
Anyone who follows me will have the light of life

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A Lenten Moment With St. Francis of Assisi

About giving St. Francis wrote:

"Everything people leave after them in this world is lost, but for their charity and almsgiving they will receive a reward from God."