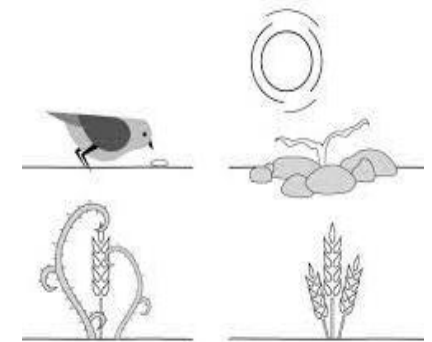


# St. Paul's Newsletter

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*The Parable of the Sower... what  
type of soil are you?*



## Fr Peter H Burke

### USUAL Weekly Service Times

Mon 9:30am Word & Communion  
Weds 9:30am Mass  
Fri 9:30am Word & Communion  
Sat 6:30pm *Monthly Vigil 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday's*  
Sun 10:00am Mass

(Hand Sanitiser Available on Entry / Exit)

## 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday In Ordinary Times - Sunday 16th July 2023

### God's powerful loving words....

For God to speak, it is the same thing as to do; to promise is the same thing as to bring about. When God says "Let there be...." there is. The first reading for today reminds us that God's word is not an empty one, but brings about what it was sent to do. As God's word made the first beginning, so God also makes new beginnings. And the Gospel passage sees Jesus as God's word in action. Jesus is healing, forgiving, freeing people from what holds them captive, enabling people to live with hope and promise for a new future. But Jesus also speaks words of love, and words of love are offered, freely, inviting a response. And the response that Jesus received varied greatly. The parable makes clear the number of those who, after an initial enthusiasm, could not make a whole-hearted response to the offer of love that Jesus made. At times we might feel that we are not making the right response either, our concerns and our worries, our weaknesses and our failings might not let our love grow. Yet the parable wants us to have confidence and be patient with ourselves. Like all seeds, the word of God takes time to grow. As long as we take time to nourish the Word in our hearts God is with us in the waiting... and it might take a lifetime... and if we give it time, the word will grow in us and bring about a rich harvest.

### Thought for the week

It takes time to become young.

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Mass Intention			
Saturday	15 <sup>th</sup> Jul	6:30pm	Parishioners
Sunday Mass	16 <sup>th</sup> Jul	10:00am	Margaret Raynor RIP, Mary Murnane RIP & Robinson Int's
Weds Mass	19 <sup>th</sup> Jul	9:30am	Adrian & David Jarvis RIP
Sunday Mass	23 <sup>rd</sup> Jul	10:00am	Patrick Murphy RIP
Weds Mass	26 <sup>th</sup> Jul	9:30am	Parishioners
<b>Sacrament of Forgiveness (Confession) 5:30pm before Monthly Saturday Vigil</b> In St Paul's Church Sacristy <u>or</u> by personal appointment. Tel: St. Paul's: 01625 872606 or St. Albans: 01625 423446; please leave your name & contact no. if you get an answer machine.			
<b>Mass on Facebook:</b> <a href="https://www.facebook.com/St-Pauls-Poynton-198491870726932/">https://www.facebook.com/St-Pauls-Poynton-198491870726932/</a> <b>Mass Intentions Ring: 07783 235145</b> (Mon-Fri: 9:30-12:30) / email: <a href="mailto:stpaulspoynton@gmail.com">stpaulspoynton@gmail.com</a>			
<b>Popes Prayer Int's July: For a Eucharistic life:</b> We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and all their brothers and sisters.			
Preparation, Responsibilities & Mass Priest / Ministers			
<b>Cleaning:</b> 30/7 Marie C		<b>Piety:</b> 23/7 Ronnie R	
<b>Tea/Coffee:</b> 16/7 Marie, Tony, Tim & Debbie		<b>Flowers:</b> Eleanor C	
		<b>Banking:</b> Marie P	
		<b>Sun 23rd July 10:00am</b>	
<b>Priest</b>		<b>Fr John Rafferty</b>	
<b>Euch. Min's</b>		Ros / Hugh	
<b>Readers</b>		John H	
<b>Welcomers</b>		Bernadette & Bill	
<b>Sacristan</b>		Sheila B	
<b>PowerPoint</b>		John	
Parish Newsletter			
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<b>Parish Cheques to be written out to:</b> ST PAUL POYNTON <b>St. Paul's Primary School website:</b> <a href="http://www.stpauls.cheshire.sch.uk">www.stpauls.cheshire.sch.uk</a> <b>St. Paul's Pre-school website:</b> <a href="http://www.stpauls-pre-school.co.uk">www.stpauls-pre-school.co.uk</a>			
<b>Safeguarding:</b> Our Parish Safeguarding representative Christina Starkie. Contact through the Parish Office: 07783 235145. Diocesan Safeguarding Coordinator Andrew O'Brien Tel: 0151 652 9855			
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<b>St. Alban's Contact Details:</b> Fr Peter Burke / Fr Paschal Ihesiaba, Tel: 01625 423446			

We warmly welcome Bishop Mark Davies & Father Peter Burke who will celebrate our Masses this weekend.

**Bishop Mark Davies Visitation – Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2023**

Please join us for our Vigil on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> July at 6:30 or

Family Mass on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> July at 10am

After Sunday's Mass Fr. Peter invites you to join him in celebrating Bishop Mark's visit - please come along, enjoy some BBQ sausages & delicious cakes on the back patio.

**Congratulations to our Confirmation candidates who were Confirmed recently by Bishop Mark Davies at St Albans Church.**

St. Paul's candidates had the front pew and all families commented that the service was lovely.

See Confirmation group photo on our parish website: <https://stpaulspoynton.org.uk/>

**Offertory Donations**

We Welcome Your Donations. There are many ways to donate:

**Offertory Baskets:** Cash, Cheques & Offertory Envelopes (Cheques to: ST PAUL POYNTON)

**Standing Order Form:** Copy available in the church porch / Also available on our website.

**New Online Giving Link:** <https://app.investmycommunity.com/st-paul-poynton-diocese-of-shrewsbury>

If donating online you will need to **USE THE NEW LINK!**

**Our church receives no outside funding, we rely solely on your generosity.**

Perhaps you'd consider remembering St. Paul's in your will.

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**Eucharistic Ministers Training Session:** Thank you to all who attended last week's training session. We are looking forward to developing and welcoming our new team!

If you have any queries, please feel free to email Chris Starkie: [chris.miles.starkie@gmail.com](mailto:chris.miles.starkie@gmail.com)

**Holy Communion for Housebound / Care Home Parishioners:** We are almost ready to start taking Holy Communion to more housebound parishioners inc. those in local care homes. If you, or anyone you know would like to receive the Holy Eucharist at home, ring or email the parish office **asap**. We need up-to-date details to make necessary arrangements.

**Has your child has made their First Communion? Would they like to become an Altar Server?**

If so, advise the school office on 01625 877688 / parish: 07783 235145. Training will be provided.

**Pastoral Assistant/Personal Assistant based at Sacred Heart Church, Floatshall Rd, M231HP**

Rate of pay: £13 per hour. Interviews take place on 25 July. Closing date: Tues 18 July 12 noon.

CV's to Pauline McCulloch, [recruitment@dioceseofshrewsbury.org](mailto:recruitment@dioceseofshrewsbury.org) For further details please follow link <https://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/latest-vacancies/>

**Missio:** There are a few copies of the Summer edition of Mission Today at the back of Church. Please feel free to take one. If you would like to have a box at home please contact the office.

**Piety:** Cards & gifts are on display at the back of the Church. If the Piety room is closed / no one is on duty, please place payment in the 'wall box' marked PIETY in the porch.

**THE WELLSRING** welcome your donations such as tinned meats/fish, soup, vegetables, shampoo /shower gel, roll on deodorant, toothpaste & brushes. Place items in the box in the church porch.

**Reflections on Vatican II, in Part III On The Church.** This time, we ask the question: 'Why is the Church?' Why does she exist...? The Council's answer is that her mission is to call all people of all times to holiness, which is why she must evangelise. What this means for us is given in Lumen Gentium Chaps 5 and 6, taken together. Podcast 9 and its handout are now available on the diocesan website at [dioceseofshrewsbury.org](http://dioceseofshrewsbury.org) in the section on 'News and Events'. *There are a few copies of a leaflet outlining the content of all of the podcasts in the parish porch and one on the noticeboard should you wish to take a photo of it.* If you have difficulty accessing this material or have questions and reflections, please don't hesitate to contact Barbara via E: [barbara.davies@dioceseofshrewsbury.org](mailto:barbara.davies@dioceseofshrewsbury.org) or T: 07730 526821.

**UK Catholic newspapers FREE OF CHARGE:** [www.ChurchPaper.co.uk](http://www.ChurchPaper.co.uk) - over 600 editions!

**Medjugorje Pilgrimage:16th-23rd Sept.** 8-day pilgrimage to Medjugorje. Staying at Hotel Regina on a full-board basis. Cost £675 p/person sharing. If you are interested in finding out more or joining this pilgrimage, send an email to [unitedheartspilgrims@gmail.com](mailto:unitedheartspilgrims@gmail.com) or phone 07942 373728. (Deposit of £300 payable NOW to Northern Star Travel).

**Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 27<sup>th</sup> Jul – 4<sup>th</sup> Aug 23,** under the leadership of Bishop Mark. Brochure/booking forms on pilgrimage website <https://shrewsburypilgrimage.co.uk> young pilgrims age 16-22 who wish to join us in Lourdes and offer their time/energy to assist and serve the sick/elderly pilgrims contact Sandy Fairy at Youth Mission Team [youth@dioceseofshrewsbury.org](mailto:youth@dioceseofshrewsbury.org)

**Diocesan Pilgrimage to Holy Land 8<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> Feb 24.** See brochure on noticeboard & on Diocesan website: <https://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/diocesan-pilgrimage-to-the-holy-land-2024/>

**Mary's Meals:** Donate online: <https://donate.marysmeals.org/> or donate by post Registered at Craig Lodge, Dalmally, Argyll, Scotland, UK, PA33 1AR

**Please remember in your prayers those who are sick especially:** Eileen O'Donnell, Dave Uden, Gerard Miller, Mary Rosevere, Margaret Morris, Ian Loutit, Alice Arrowsmith, Mary Scanlon, Cath Slaney, Henry Gardner, Fr Jim McGrath, Gerrard Trainor, Margaret Loughrey, Linda Williams, Doris Lear, Betty Rice, Ethel Ranson, Margaret Haddock, Carla McKenzie, Mr & Mrs Armstrong, John Williams, Sheila Butler, Julie Balston, Harry Neely, Veronica Nolan, Jeanette Dutton & Hilary Jamieson.

**We remember in our prayers those with anniversaries:** Francis Sugden, Margaret Rayner, Augusto Cabrito, Paul Lindop, Pauline Lynch, Anna McKenna, Henry Hanson, Harry Frost, Margaret Harrison, Bridget Wynne, Brian Quinn, Barbara & Clifford Griffin, Gordon Whitehurst & Maria Robello.

**We pray for the repose of:** Mary Murnane may she rest in peace. We pray too for her family and friends at this time.

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Thanks to Warren  
**I HAVE A FEELIN' THOSE SEEDS WE PLANTED WEREN'T SEEDS OF KINDNESS AFTER ALL**