

St. Paul's Newsletter

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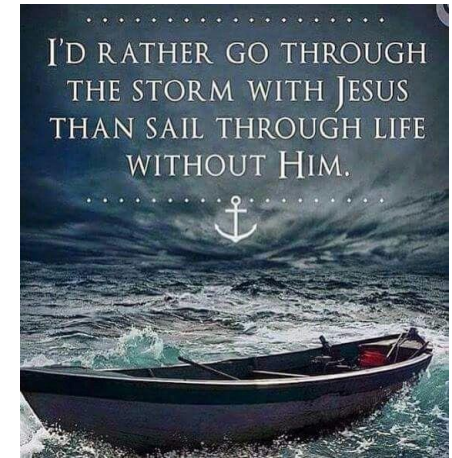
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Fr Peter H Burke

USUAL Weekly Service Times

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

(Hand Sanitiser Available on Entry / Exit)



Nineteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time - Sunday 13th August 2023

Walking on water

Today's gospel is a very symbolic story. The boat going through stormy waters represents the early Church through times of persecution. It also represents the struggle the early Christians had in knowing that the Lord was with them, to see them through the crises they faced. Peter's struggle between faith and doubt, likewise, was a reflection of the time he had told Jesus he would never deny him, yet when faced with the challenge in the courtyard by the maid servants, he denied he even knew Jesus. Peter's later encounter with the Risen Lord, assured him of the love that Jesus had for him. A love in which he was held secure.

We all have to weather crises in our lives, seemingly having to walk on water; not at all sure of the next step we are going to take, whether we will go under or survive. Jesus tells us to have courage, not to be afraid. Inevitably we will be anxious about many situations; we will not be sure how we will get through. However, as we gather round the altar, we celebrate the reality of the Lord's presence and ask Him to deepen our faith and our trust in his abiding presence at the very heart of our lives.

Thought for the week

The best exercise for the heart is to bend over backwards for someone else.

*Fr. Peter invites you to attend our Saturday evening Vigil or Sunday Family Mass.
Refreshments available in the Presbytery Conservatory after Sunday's Mass.*

Mass Intention			
Saturday Confession Evening Vigil	12 th Aug	5:30pm 6:30pm	Parishioners
Sunday Mass	13 th Aug	10:00am	Dorothy Bailey RIP Ann. & Parishioners
Monday Vigil	14 th Aug	7:30pm	Parishioners
Tuesday Mass	15 th Aug	9:30am	John Molloy Special Int's
Weds Requiem Mass	16 th Aug	10:30am	Patrick Moore RIP (No 9:30am Mass)
Sunday Mass	20 th Aug	10:00am	Parishioners
Weds Requiem Mass	23 rd Aug	11:30am	Vanda Isherwood RIP (No 9:30am Mass)
Confession: 5:30pm (before the Sat. Vigil), in the church Sacristy OR by personal appointment: Tel. St Paul's: 01625 872606 / St. Albans: 01625 423446; leave name & contact no.			
Mass on Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/St-Pauls-Poynton-198491870726932/			
Mass Intentions Ring: 07783 235145 (Mon-Fri: 9:30-12:30) / email: stpaulspoynton@gmail.com			
Popes Frances' Prayer Intentions for August for World Youth Day: We pray the World Youth Day in Lisbon will help young people to live and witness the Gospel in their own lives.			
Preparation, Responsibilities & Mass Priest / Ministers			
Cleaning: 27/8 Anne & Kevin M		Piety: 20/8 Sheila S	Flowers: Eleanor C
Tea/Coffee: 10/9 Teresa K		Banking: Marie P	
Sunday 20th August 10am			
Priest		Fr Tony Myers	
Euch. Min's		Sheila B	
Readers		Judith J	
Welcomers		Fountain Family	
Sacristan		Sheila B	
PowerPoint		John	
Parish Newsletter			
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Parish Cheques to be written out to: ST PAUL POYNTON St. Paul's Primary School website: www.stpauls.cheshire.sch.uk St. Paul's Pre-school website: www.stpauls-pre-school.co.uk			
Safeguarding: 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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St. Alban's Contact Details: Fr Peter Burke / Fr Paschal Ihesiaba, Tel: 01625 423446			

We warmly welcome Father Peter Burke to celebrate our Masses this weekend.

Note: NO LITTLE CHURCH this Sunday due to holidays, next session Sun 10th Sept.

Feast of the Assumption on Tuesday 15th August 2023 is a Holy Day of Obligation.

Mass Times:- Monday 14th Aug, Vigil at 7:30pm & Tuesday 15th Aug Mass at 9:30am.

The Assumption is the oldest feast day of Our Lady, but we don't know how it first came to be celebrated. Its origin is lost in those days when Jerusalem was restored as a sacred city, at the time of the Roman Emperor Constantine (c. 285-337). By then it had been a pagan city for two centuries, ever since Emperor Hadrian (76-138) had levelled it around the year 135 and rebuilt it as Aelia Capitolina in honour of Jupiter.

For 200 years, every memory of Jesus was obliterated from the city, and the sites made holy by His life, death and Resurrection became pagan temples. After the building of the Church of the Holy Sepulchre in 336, the sacred sites began to be restored and memories of the life of Our Lord began to be celebrated by the people of Jerusalem. One of the memories about his mother centred around the "Tomb of Mary," close to Mount Zion, where the early Christian community had lived. On the hill itself was the "Place of Dormition," the spot of Mary's "falling asleep," where she had died. The "Tomb of Mary" was where she was buried. At this time, the "Memory of Mary" was being celebrated. **Later it was to become our Feast of the Assumption.**

NOTICE: Mass scheduled for 9:30am Weds 16th Aug is cancelled. (Funeral at 10:30am).

Summer Break: PowerPoint, Little Church volunteers and other volunteers are on holiday during August. We ask you to continue to keep them and their families in your prayers.

Prayer for Volunteers: We pray Lord that Your shield of power and love would be over their every moment leading up and during their volunteer service.

We pray that You let no weapon formed against to prevail. Go before them in all areas of their lives and keep them safely set apart for the service You have prepared for them. Amen.

Annual Parish Meeting / Get-together is planned to take place in October in church after a 10am Mass. We hope to confirm the date asap. Please look out for further details.

If you have any ideas or topics you wish to be raised, or questions to be put forward, please let the parish office team know so that we can make the parish discussion as organised, relevant and worthwhile as possible. Call 07783 235145 or e-mail: stpaulspoynton@gogglemail.com

All parishioners are encouraged to contribute and attend.

Are you interested in making a difference by hosting a family fleeing the war in Ukraine?

If so, please take home an SJOG Hospitaller Services flyer from the church porch. Or scan the QR code on the poster on our noticeboard.

CAN YOU HELP? WE NEED VOLUNTEERS:

Tea & Coffee team - support 2-3 times a year, **Cleaning Church** on rota,

Sacristan team: arrive 30 mins before Mass, open up & close up after Mass.

Sacramental teams: Baptisms, Communion or Confirmation.

Altar Serving team: Needs a co-ordinator and servers. **Welcoming:** meet & greet parishioners

Sweeping grounds 2 p/year), putting **Bins out** on Thurs eve's.

All enquiries to the parish on: 07783 235145 or e-mail: stpaulspoynton@gogglemail.com

Offertory Donations Welcomed... 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 use the LINK ABOVE. Our church solely relies on your generosity.

Father Bill will celebrate his last Mass (due to retirement) at St Mary's in Congleton on Thursday 17th August at 9:15am - for information for anyone who may wish to attend.

Parish Secretary/Admin Vacancy: Our Lady & the Apostles, SK3 8BQ 16hrs p/wk/£13 p/h. Closing date 11 Sept. Email CV to Fr Onuoha Email: stockport3parishes@gmail.com (details: <https://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/latest-vacancies/>)

CAFOD is recruiting! Community Participation Coordinator required. Details: <https://cafod.org.uk/work-with-us> Closes: 13 Aug Email. John Woods jwoods@cafod.org.uk

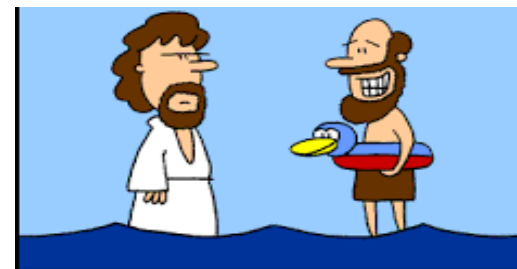
Maryvale Institute, Birmingham-Study part-time, by distance learning for a Bachelor of Divinity (BDiv) or a Licence in Divinity. The Maryvale Higher Institute of Religious Sciences (HIRS) is the only ecclesial institute of this kind in the English-speaking world. **The Ecclesiastical BDiv** five-year part-time, collaborative-learning degree programme in Catholic theology providing a comprehensive exposition and analysis of Christian. **The Licence in Divinity:** Pathway in Catechetical Sciences is another qualification of the Holy See, distinct from an STL, it is a three-year, part-time, programme aimed at those in leadership positions in catechetics/other positions of responsibility. Contact: Deacon Dr Harry Schnitker at: researchcentre@maryvale.ac.uk

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: Delores Reavey, Geoff Scholes, Martin Whitesmith, John Rosevere, John Seville, Edward Gledhill, Louise Barlow, Lillianne Johnstone, Simon Cookson, Elizabeth Barber, Desmond Burke, Claire Hopkinson, Ellia Clayton Jnr, Jeanette Routon, Patrick Illott, Ann Black, Ann Shuker & Frances Quinn

We pray for the repose of: Patrick Moore, Vanda Isherwood and James Kelly may they rest in peace. We pray too for their family and friends at this time.

Mass in our Missals	Sun
Entrance Antiphon	114
Introductory Rites	7
Readings & Gospel	114-116
Profession of Faith	11
Communion Antiphon	116



(See Matthew 14:24-33)
PETER'S EARLY ATTEMPTS TO WALK ON WATER WITH JESUS DISPLAYED AN INADEQUATE AMOUNT OF FAITH