

## St Peter & St Raphael Stalybridge

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### Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

22nd January 2023

#### Mass Times and Intentions for the coming week

Sat	21st January	6:30pm	Parishioners
Sun	22nd January	11:00am	Bernard Higgins
Mon	23rd January		No Mass
Tues	24th January	9:00am	St Peters Class Mass - Year 4
Wed	25th January	9:15am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Thurs	26th January	10:00am	St Raphaels Mass
Fri	27th January		No Mass
Sat	28th January	6:30pm	Philip Giblin
Sun	29th January	11:00am	Parishioners

**SANCTUARY LAMP:** is lit for the Michael Clarke and Parishioners of St Peters and St Raphaels.

**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 Teresa Topping, Bernard Hill, Bernard Higgins, Barbara Carey and Jack Bamford, Jeff Linney and all our recently deceased and offer prayers for their families.

**CONFESSION:** 11:30—12 noon in the presbytery or by appointment

**BAPTISM:** This week we welcome into our Parish Family Maya Garcia-Stewart, Pippa Grace Costello and Duffy Renae Costello, who will be baptised here this weekend.

**MONEY MATTERS** - With apologies for the delay, collection total for week of 25/12 £948.79, 01/01 £539.20, 08/01 £540.61 and 15/01 £487.27.

Thank you for your generosity.

**COUNTER:** Ann & Mary

## PARISH NOTICES

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In today's Gospel Jesus appoints his first Apostles. We give thanks that each one of us has been called to faith and discipleship by Christ and on this weekend remember those children who will be enrolling for First Sacraments this year.

### This Coming Week

Tues: 10:30am - Choir Practice in the church

Tues: 1:00pm - Prayer Group

Thurs: Over 60's Bingo

**Reader Rotas** - Could the readers please collect their new rotas from the Sacristy

**First Sacramental Programme** - If you have a child/children who do not attend our two parish schools, in year 3 or over and would like them to make their First Forgiveness and First Holy Communion in 2023, please contact the office leaving your name and contact telephone number so that a member of our First Sacramental Team can contact you with details.

**Prayer Sponsors** - An important part of our preparation of First Sacraments has been the involvement of the Parish in praying for the children who are on the programme, but alongside the general prayers of parishioners we also invite some of you to sign up to be prayer sponsors. It is a very special ministry of prayer that guides the children at this time. If you would like to help as a prayer sponsor (the first list to go up will be that for St Peter's School and their Prayer Sponsors Party will be on **7th February at 2:15pm**). Please sign your name on the list at the back of Church.

**Toastie Tuesday – 24<sup>th</sup> January from 8:15am** - Rob White would like to invite children to come to the St Peters School hall with a family member to enjoy a piece of toast and a drink before school on Tuesday morning. Donations will be collected for Mary's Meals. Rob has long been an advocate and a champion of Mary's Meals and has visited our schools to speak to the children about how they can help other school children in a different part of the world.

**GOOD NEWS** the uniformed groups - Rainbows, Brownies and Guides - after a very long break due to the pandemic, are now able to join in and help at the 11 o'clock Mass each month (Church Parade). The first one will be this Sunday the 22nd January. The girls will parade their flags into church and will help with the readings and prayers. There will be a Coffee Morning, in the Hall, after each Church Parade. This month the Guides will be selling cookies in aid of Mary's Meals. We hope you will be able to support them.

**Thank you from Mind** - Please see the lovely poster which we have received on the church noticeboard. This is from Mind and is big thankyou to the UCM and St Peter's and St Raphael's Parish for the £850.00 which has been raised for the Charity. This will help them with their vital work to help people feel great and support them when they don't, a very worthy charity supported by the UCM.

**Retired Priests' fund** - Thank you for your generous response to the Retired Priest's fund. We will let you know the amount raised soon.