

St Peter & St Raphael, Stalybridge

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The Presentation of the Lord

2nd February 2025

Mass Times and Intentions for the coming week

Sat	1st February	6:30pm	Teresa Cannings
Sun	2nd February	11:00am	Arthur Howard
Mon	3rd February		no mass
Tue	4th February	9:30am	Eucharistic Service
Wed	5th February		no mass
Thurs	6th February		no mass
Fri	7th February	10:45am	Funeral Service - Vittorio Forgetta
Sat	8th February	6:30pm	Michael Maher
Sun	9th February	11:00am	Arthur Treanor

This Coming Week

Tues: 10:30am-Choir Practice in the Church 1:00pm - Prayer Group

Thurs: Over 60s Bingo

SANCTUARY LAMP: is lit for the Parishioners of St Peter and St Raphael.

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, Maisie Almond, Father Denis Maher, Pat Walker, Tony Bain, Patricia Murphy, Anna Zuball, Margaret Waugh, Vittorio Forgetta and Winifred Edwards and all our recently deceased and offer prayers for their families.

FUNERALS THIS WEEK: Mr Vittorio Forgetta, Friday 7th February - 10:45am

CONFESSION: Saturday at 11:30—12 noon or by appointment.

BAPTISM: This week we welcome into our Parish Family Willow Myla Knight who will be baptised here this weekend.

MONEY MATTERS: The collection total for 26th January was £549.20.
Thank you for your generosity.

COUNTERS - Stephen and Pauline

PARISH NOTICE

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Today we celebrate the Presentation of the Lord when Mary and Joseph took the child Jesus to be presented in the Temple and heard the prophetic words of Simeon who spoke about the death and resurrection of Christ.

SVP Coffee Morning - **Next Sunday 9th February** the SVP invite you to come and join them for refreshments after 11am Mass in the Parish Hall. It is a lovely opportunity for Parishioners to come together for teas and coffees and the SVP are hoping to do this on the second Sunday of each month

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 list to go up will be that for St Peter's School and their **Prayer Sponsors Party will be on Monday 10th February at 2:15pm**). Please sign your name on the list at the back of Church.

MAISIE MOO'S MISSIONS - Good news we are now able to donate blood in memory of a very special young lady, Maisie Almond.

We are delighted to be able to announce that you can now book your blood donation appointment at All Saints Catholic College, Birch Lane, Dukinfield SK16 5AP. Their first session is on Thursday 10th April. Please book your blood donation appointment via the NHS Blood Donation website.

<https://my.blood.co.uk/your-account/sign-up/?intent=blood>. Maisie attended All Saints Catholic College, and so it is fitting that this is the first venue that

will hold sessions. Thanks All Saints for your continued support and for generously providing hall space for free. PLEASE DONATE IF YOU CAN

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 - Greystones need towels, either new or used. They have also made a particular request for toiletries, toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap, shower gel, shampoo, deodorant etc. Please leave at the back of Church marked for Greystones. Many thanks.

Tomas Miller - On Thursday we said goodbye to our visiting student Tomas as he returned to the Seminary, (Oscott College, in Birmingham). We give thanks for the weeks he has spent with us and he has asked Father Philip to pass on his gratitude for all the kindness shown to him during his stay, he asked us to keep him in our prayers as he continues his discernment about the calling to become a priest and assure us that he will keep us in his prayers.