

St Peter & St Raphael, Stalybridge

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Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

26th January 2025

Mass Times and Intentions for the coming week

Sat	25th January	6:30pm	Maisie Almond - Birthday memories
Sun	26th January	11:00am	Pat Walker - Birthday memories
Mon	27th January	12:30pm	Funeral Service - Margaret Waugh
Tue	28th January	9:30am	Mass - Special Intention
Wed	29th January	9:15am	St Peters Enrolment Mass - Year 3
Thurs	30th January	9:30am	Mass - Special Intention
Fri	31st January	9:30am	Mass - Special Intention
Sat	1st February	6:30pm	Teresa Cannings
Sun	2nd February	11:00am	Arthur Howard

This Coming Week

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

Thurs: No Over 60s Bingo this week

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 and all our recently deceased and offer prayers for their families.

FUNERALS THIS WEEK: Margaret Waugh, Monday 27th at 12:30pm

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

BAPTISM: This week we welcome into our Parish Family Mylee Rose Mayers who will be baptised here this weekend.

MONEY MATTERS: The collection total for 19th January was £668.09. Bank payments from 31st Dec to 9th Jan total £646.00. Thank you for your generosity.

COUNTERS - Mary

PARISH NOTICE

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In today's Gospel Jesus begins his public ministry as he reads the word of the Prophet Isaiah words of hope and proclaiming good news to the poor. We ask that this week we too can be a sign of Christian hope to all who we meet.

Uniformed Mass (Church Parade) - Sunday 26th Jan - The Rainbows, Brownies and Guides will be joining us once again this **Sunday 26th January** at the 11:00am Mass for Church Parade. The girls will parade their flags into the Church and will help with the readings and prayers and there will be a coffee morning in the Church Hall after Mass. Everybody welcome please support our Uniformed Groups. Thankyou.

Pro-Life Speaker and collection - Thankyou for your generous response to Hugh Fitzpatrick as he made his annual appeal on behalf of the pro-life charity SPUC. The total raised at St Peter and St Raphael was £338.00 and with an additional £50.00 from St James, the total was £388.00. Many thanks.

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

An Invitation to learn more about the Jubilee Year 2025 - A special day will be held at **St Joseph's Stockport on Saturday 1st February** beginning with Mass at 10:00am and include presentations by our catechetical, marriage and family life, CAFOD and Caritas Diocese of Shrewsbury teams. Please see the notice board for more information.

Tomas Miller - This weekend Tomas begins his final Sunday with us before he returns to Seminary at the end of the week. It has been a short placement but he has been involved in so many aspects of Parish life and we thank him for his contribution and pray for him as he continues his journey discerning the call of Christ to the priesthood. Tomas will say a few words at all our Masses and it will be our opportunity to say thankyou for his time with us.