

For those who have died: Mary Crooke, Deacon Bill Baines, Michael Hanley, John McDonagh, Robert Gilligan, Irene Lewis, Stephano Zorzan

Funerals: **Mary Crooke** (Monday 5th August 9.00am Requiem followed by Bushbury Crematorium), **Robert Gilligan** (Wednesday 21st August Streetly Crematorium)

Please keep in your prayers: Bridie McDonagh, Jane McDonagh, Mary McCrank, Glen Preece, , Caroline Holland, Tom Bradley, Maureen Salmon, Joyce Walsh, Eddie McDonagh, Suzy McDonagh, Marie McKenzie, Philip Gormley, Francis Keane, Anne Russell, Maureen Byrne, William Kelly, John Farrell, Ann Gilraine, Margaret McNulty, Cornelius Cronan, Tom Brennan, Thomas McHugh, Tara Ford, Michael Welsh, Simon Woods, Chris Kane, Jim Malachi, Monica Carrington, Michael McHugh, Anne Scott, James Swindel, Reg Ford, Chris Voice, Lisa Dean and Danny Dean, Winnie Lawlor, Margaret Bednall, Sandra, John Magnier, Sheila Cronin, Maureen Rowland-Aitken, Elaine and David Sumner, Jackie Logan, Brenda Guest, Graham Lawlor, Robert Sweeney, Dayna Haywood, John Eccles, Gerry Stokes, Frank Gallagher, Mary Chester, Ann Mountford, Jim Lowndes, Patrick McDonagh, Gillian Ilsley

Pope Francis Prayer Intention: We pray that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick confer to those who receive it and their loved ones the power of the Lord and become ever more a visible sign of compassion and hope for all.



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CONFESSIONS: Sat 10.00 to 10.45am & before mass or by appointment

ADORATION: Tues 9.00am—9.50am & Sat 10.00-10.50am

BAPTISMS: Sun at 11:45am by appointment

ROSARY: 20 mins before mass

CHOIR: Sing at 10.00am mass. **Anyone can join.**

**** CHILDREN'S LITURGY **:** During Sun 10:00am Mass

TEAS and COFFEE: After Sun 10:00am Mass in Parish Hall. **All Welcome**

St. Peter's Catholic Church, Bloxwich



Ubi Petrus ibi Ecclesia ibi Deus

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PARISH NEWSLETTER **Sat 27th / Sun 28th July 2024**

17th SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

Sat Entrance **215** Offertory **302** Communion **862** Recession **684**

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GOD'S FOOD FOR US— Now the focus has changed to the other great sacrament of life, the Eucharist (*John 6:1-15*). The starting-point on which Jesus will reflect is the feeding of the five thousand. In the synoptic Gospels the background (and so the meaning) of this wonderful feeding was Jesus as the shepherd, taking pity on the sheep without a shepherd, feeding them on the green grass beside the flowing waters. In John, however, the allusion goes further back, to Moses giving the people manna in the desert: Jesus goes up the mountain, as Moses went up the mountain of Sinai, and the Pass-over, the festival of the trek through the desert, was near (verses 3-4). We will hear that the manna given by Moses was not the true bread from heaven—rather a foreshadowing of something greater in Jesus. This is identified up as one of the seven signs worked by Jesus, and they immediately recognise him as a prophet. As a first step he is acting as did the prophet Elisha, who fed his hundred followers with ten loaves (2 Kings 4.42-44), but now the gift of Jesus is on a far larger scale: five loaves among five thousand men. If we look further back, Jesus is also acting as the prophet Moses, who gave the whole people manna, and they all had enough. A further numerical reminiscence is given by the twelve baskets of scraps, representing the twelve tribes of Israel. **Universalis**

SAFEGUARDING NOTICE: *The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Elizabeth Briars. They can be contacted at: sg.stpeters.bloxwich@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240/ safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.*

MASS TIMES, FEAST DAYS and MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 27 Jul	11.15am	Our Lady on Saturday	Reparations to the Immaculate Heart
Sat 27 Jul	3.00pm	Rite of Christian For Adults (instruction)	
Sat 27 Jul	5.30pm	17th SUNDAY (Vigil)	Dorothy and Joseph Tennant RIP, Chris Mason intentions
Sat 28 Jul	10.00am	17th SUNDAY	Angie and Colin Wyre wedding anniversary, Tommy and Claire wedding anniversary, Red Boulton RIP
Sat 28 Jul	1.00pm	Sunday Communions	
Mon 29 Jul	6.00pm	Mass in IHM Convent Ss Martha, Mary & Lazarus	Sick of the parish
Tue 30 Jul	9.00am	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	
Tue 30 Jul	10.00am	Feria in Ordinary Time	Sharon and Jim Lowndes
Tue 30 Jul	11.00am	Finance Meeting Ongoing	
Tue 30 Jul	12.00am	Rite of Christian For Adults (instruction)	
Wed 31 Jul	10.30am	St Ignatius of Loyola	Vocations to the priesthood
Wed 31 Jul	11.30am	Prayer Service the Lakes	
Wed 31 Jul	4.00pm	Rite of Christian For Adults (instruction)	
Wed 31 Jul	6.00pm	Wedding Preparation	
Thu 1 Aug	10.00am	St Alphonus Ligouri	Persecuted Christians
Fri 2 Aug		NO MASS in Church	
Sat 3 Aug	9.30am	Mass in Featherstone HMP	All prisoners
Sat 3 Aug	10.00am	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	
Sat 3 Aug	11.15am	Our Lady on Saturday	Sick of the Parish
Sat 3 Aug	3.00pm	Rite of Christian For Adults (instruction)	
Sat 3 Aug	5.30pm	18th SUNDAY (Vigil)	Pro populo (people of the parish)
Sun 4 Aug	10.00am	18th SUNDAY	Pro populo (people of the parish)
Sun 4 Aug	1.00pm	Sunday Communions	



ST PETER'S PARISH WHATSAPP GROUP. To join: 1.) Give Fr. David or Sr. Tonia your WhatsApp phone number to add you manually or 2.) Send a WhatsApp message 'ADD ME' to the Parish WhatsApp number; 07840781301.

NOTE: SATURDAY MORNING MASS

IS NOW 11.15am
(due to prison commitments)

OSCOTT VISIT 17th NOVEMBER

As you know Fr. David teaches at Oscott College where the new priests are trained. We have booked to visit the college SUNDAY 17th NOVEMBER. We will leave the Church car park approximately 2.30pm. The tour starts at 3.30pm after registration. The seminarians will begin the tour in the museum. This is followed by afternoon tea in the refectory. After this there is a tour of the main public areas of the College ending in the Chapel. During this time you will have a Q&A session with the student priests. The day ends with evening prayer, adoration and benediction in the chapel. Departure at 6.10pm. The cost has not yet been made but there is a sign up sheet in the sacristy.

BUILDING UPDATE We had a woodworm infestation in the organ loft/gallery. The treatment necessitated the removal of all the carpets. The carpets will be replaced Saturday 3rd and 10th August all being well. This week a rat infestation was discovered in one of the outer storage sheds of the Church. It is a wooden structure that has deteriorated over time. It has been condemned and will have to be dismantled and replaced. The Church has to have a building report (Quinquennial) done every 5 years. A surveyor will assess the Church Building, Parish Hall and Presbytery and then outline what works require doing. This will be done mid-August.

PARISH CENTRE BOOKING Please contact George Pitt (07926 636159 (text only) or use the booking form www.stpetersbloxwich.org.uk/booking.html or email the Office stpeters.bloxwich.org.uk



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THIS WEEK'S READERS

27-Jul Shilla Pereira Christine Humphreys
28-Jul Sr. Felicitas John Stringer
Readers Rota The new readers rota has now been produced for the period August - October 2024 taking into account all notified holidays. *Please pick up your copy from the sacristy.*

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

Those whose anniversaries occur this week, include: **Michele Ranallo, Mark Walker, Kay Lwiindi, and Josie Purcel**

PARISH SACRAMENT PROGRAMMES

Dear All, Forms for First Holy Communion and Confirmation in 2025 are now available in the Sacristy. Please pick up a form from Fr. David or Sr. Tonia and submit it as early as possible. Classes will officially resume in September. This is open to all parish children from non-Catholic schools who are aged 8 years and above, or in year 3 by September. Confirmation is open to children in Year 6 by September or 11 years above.

Thank you, Sr. Tonia, Sue, and Liz

PARISH CHILDREN'S DAY WITH THE SAINTS AND MARY'S BIRTHDAY

If you want your child to participate in the 'Parish Children's Day' please pick up a notice sheet and consent form. Submit the form to Fr. David, Sr. Tonia, Sue Kennedy, Liz Bryant or Rachael. Replicas of Mary's apparitions and pictures of saints on the notice boards can help with costume ideas if interested.