

**Please keep in your prayers:** John & Bridie McDonagh, Jane McDonagh, Margaret Hunt, Veronica Mary McCrank, Glen Preece, Paddy McLoughlin, 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 Gilrairie, Margaret McNulty, Cornelius Cronan, Tom Brennan, Thomas McHugh, Tara Ford, Michael Welsh, Simon Woods, Chris Kane, Christine Linnell, Jim Malachi, Monica Carrington, Michael McHugh, Anne Scott, James Swindel, Reg Ford, Chris Voice, Fr Brian Brown, Lisa Dean and Danny Dean, Winnie Lawlor, Margaret Bednall, Sandra, John Magnier, Sheila Cronin, Maureen Rowland-Aitken, Elaine and David Sumner, Peter Hart, Jackie Logan, Brenda Guest, Graham Lawlor, Terence Dixon, Robert Sweeney, Dayna Haywood, John Eccles, Gerry Stokes, Fr. Hugh Sinclair, Mgr Graham Wilkinson, Fr Dominic Innamorati, David Harrison, Frank Gallagher

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Are you envious because I am generous? The first will be last and the last will be first. Matthew 20:16  
THIS PARABLE BUGS ME.  
THE FIRST GUYS GET TOTALLY RIPPED OFF!

YOU KNOW, WHEN YOU THINK ABOUT ALL THE PEOPLE JESUS CALLED, YOU AND I HAVE COME LATE IN THE DAY.

I LOVE THIS PARABLE!



**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



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PARISH NEWSLETTER **Sat 23rd/ Sun 24th September 2023**

**25th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**SATURDAY** Entrance 285 Offertory Communion Recession 209

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## OUR WAYS vs GOD'S WAYS

We can never hope fully to understand God's generosity. We are very good at working out who is deserving of good fortune and who is not - unfortunately for us, God's gifts go to those God chooses, not those we choose. An example is forgiveness: those who have done the most wrong are those who receive the greatest forgiveness when they turn to God. Remember: "God's ways are not our ways; God's

thought are not our thoughts". {Isaiah 55:6-9} "Why be envious, because I am generous?" {Matthew 20:1-16}

**HARVEST FESTIVAL IS SUNDAY OCTOBER 8th:** Collections of food will be placed at the front of the altar by the Divine Mercy Picture. This will then be taken to the Food bank. **FAMILY FAST DAY (CAFOD envelopes available in entrances)**

**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](mailto:sg.stpeters.bloxwich@rcaob.org.uk) or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240/ [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk) if you have any concern.

## MASS/SERVICE TIMES, FEAST DAYS and ACTIVITIES

Sat 23 Sep	10.00am	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	
Sat 23 Sep	11.00am	Memorial St Pius of Pietrolcina	Holy Souls
Sat 23 Sep	5.30pm	<b>25th Sunday Ordinary Time Vigil</b>	<i>Pro populo</i> (people of the parish)
Sun 24 Sep	10.00am	<b>25th Sunday Ordinary Time</b>	Helen McGee Anniversary, Mary Staples Anniversary, Fallon Family, Peter Doughty Anniversary, Mary Staples Anniversary, Margaret Stringer RIP
Sun 24 Sep	1-2.30pm	Sunday Communion	
Mon 25 Sep	6.00pm	Mass and Vespers in IHM Convent	Holy Souls
Tue 26 Sep	9.00am	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	
Tue 26 Sep	10.00am	Feria in Ordinary Time	Gerald Salmon Anniversary
Tue 26 Sep	11.00am	Finance Meeting (Ongoing)	
Tue 26 Sep	4.00pm	Rite of Christian For Adults (instruction)	
Tue 26 Sep	5.00pm	Rite of Christian For Adults (instruction)	
Wed 27 Sep	10.30am	Memorial St Vincent de Paul	St Peter's Foodbank and those in need
Wed 27 Sep	11.30am	Prayer Service The Lakes	
Wed 27 Sep	4.00pm	Governors Meeting St Peter's	
Thu 28 Sep	9.30am	Mass in St Peters School	Staff and Pupils of St Peters
Fri 29 Sep	7.00am	Mass and Lauds in IHM Convent Feast of Ss Michael, Gabriel and Raphael	Holy Souls
Sat 30 Sep	10.00am	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	
Sat 30 Sep	11.00am	Memorial of St Jerome	Sick of the Parish
Sat 30 Sep	5.30pm	<b>26th Sunday Ordinary Time Vigil</b>	Thomas Daniels Anniversary
Sun 1 Oct	10.00am	<b>26th Sunday Ordinary Time (and Reception into Church)</b>	Faulkner Family
Sun 1 Oct	1-2.30pm	Sunday Communion	

**BAPTISMAL, 1ST HOLY COMMUNION and CONFIRMATION FORMS:** these are available from Fr. David or Sr Tonia or Sue Kennedy. **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:** Children that are in non-Catholic Schools and have completed their Year 2 (ie: 7 years and above). **CONFIRMATION:** Children in non-Catholic Schools starting Year 6 or 10 years and above. Or adults baptised but not confirmed.

**ROOF WORK UPDATE**—As you know the roof is leaking badly at the back of Church. The cost is £9,000. We have been in touch with the company and we aim to start work at the start of October. **£9,222.73.** A parishioner has matched donations to a particular amount. The sponsored bike ride reached and exceeded its target. **Thank you very much on behalf of the Parish to everyone who has made donations large and small.**

## HARVEST FUN CHURCH

### SATURDAY OCTOBER 7th

#### in the Parish Centre. 1pm—3pm

Arts and Crafts, singing a bible story and prayers in the Church. Followed by refreshments. All children and adults welcome. Please give your names to Sue Kennedy or Rachel Flatley at 10am Mass or Liz Bryant at 5.30pm Mass or Sister Tonia.

#### ST PETER'S FOOD BANK UPDATE

A busy Monday helping 50 adults and 20 children. Also provided a crisis pack after closing for family with no food.

Thank you for your kind donations weighing 19.2kg.also a cash donation which will be used in the top up shop.

Always in need of Tinned Meats, fish , vegetables,potatoes, soup, rice pudding, long life milk , squash ,coffee & snacks.

**Our Harvest Festival is collecting food for the Food Bank.**

**St Peter's Foodbank is open in the parish Centre on Mondays 10am-12am.**

#### QUOTE OF THE WEEK

*"We should not accept in silence the benefactions of God, but return thanks for them."* - St. Basil the Great

#### HEALTH AND SAFETY

Annual PAT Testing and Fire Extinguisher testing has been completed. Please note that the benches 'sectioned-off' at the rear of the Church are for health and safety reasons. It is there that the roof is damaged by water. Please do not use the benches as indicated.

## 2nd Collection This Week

Father Hudson's Care is the Diocesan Social Care Service. They provide a range of services for people who are disadvantaged, marginalised or experiencing need. They work with people from all walks of life, offering friendship, care and support.

### ST PETER'S NURSERY

St Peter's Nursery currently have available spaces for 15 hours of care per week for children aged 3 and 4. They also offer 30 hours childcare for those who are eligible. To find out if you are eligible and to apply for the additional funding please visit the Childcare Choices Website. If you already have a code for 30 hours and would like your child to receive the early education at St Peter's Nursery or have any queries regard it please contact their school office on 01922710872. Please let anyone know who may be interested.

### RED BOXES \*\*AUTUMN EMPTYING\*\*

Boxes are being emptied between now and November 26th so please return your box to the table at the side entrance A.S.A.P. – Thank you.

### THIS WEEK'S READERS

1st Reading & Psalm 2nd Reading/Intercessions  
23-Sep Anthony Daniels Martin Bradley  
24-Sep John Stringer Sr. Felicitas

### ANNIVERSARIES

Those whose anniversaries occur this week include: **Isaac Taylor, Gerald Salmon, Tom Daniels, and Susan Gnosill.**

Last Weekend's Collection

Counting Team

Gift Aid **£291.50**

This week **SP/CH**

Non-Gift Aid **£279.60**

Next week **SP/CH**

2nd Collection **£123.05**

Last Weekend Mass Count

Catholic Evangelisation

225

## PARISH CENTRE BOOKING

Please contact George Pitt  
**07926 636159 (text only)** or  
[www.stpetersbloxwich.org.uk/booking.html](http://www.stpetersbloxwich.org.uk/booking.html)

*Thank You*

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