

# PETERPOST

## Parish of St. Peter and the Winchester Martyrs

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FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – Year B

### Pivotal Moments VI – “Teachable Moments”

#### Fr Mark writes:

This is the sixth and final week of a six part series: Pivotal Moments.

We reflected on the importance of learning to listen to the Lord, as Samuel did, to experience the pivotal moments God has in mind for us. We discussed pivotal moments of growth, which often happen outside our comfort zone, just as they did for Jonah. Last week, we looked at making the most of pivotal moments in which God wants to do something new in our lives.

*By the way, if you missed any or all of this series, you can catch up with many of them online. Go to our website, by clicking [here](#).*

The Gospel from Mark this Sunday tells us that after an exhausting day of preaching, Jesus spends the evening healing people, both physically and spiritually. People were bringing people to Jesus Christ. Why? So that Jesus could heal their souls and bodies and restore their broken lives by the power of the Holy Spirit. Perhaps one thing we’ve managed to learn during this pandemic is that all of us are in need of some sort of healing. That’s why our parish mission is to bring people closer to Jesus Christ in hope and joy, confident of that healing which he alone can offer.

The Gospels show us that Jesus had the power to heal and he took time to do so, even when it was inconvenient for him. He had compassion for people and would heal them even when it was an interruption or unexpected. Jesus was and is a healer. He can heal you of your past hurts and hang-ups and wounds, if you let him.

While Jesus healed people and loved to heal people, it was not the driving purpose of his life, it was not the value that directed his life. We discover his number one value and number one priority in the verses ahead.

*In the morning, long before dawn, he got up and left the house, and went off to a lonely place and prayed there.* (Mark 1:35)

Jesus had a habit of getting up very early in the morning to spend time with his heavenly Father. He would go to a deserted place so that he could be all alone. He did it first thing in the morning so that his time with his Father would direct his day and his actions.

Jesus is connected to his Father in prayer, away from everyone else when suddenly he is interrupted, by Simon and his companions who have “tracked Jesus down” It’s a little like, “I’ve been trying to get a hold of you. It is incredibly urgent. What are you doing out here? Why did you turn your phone off?”

We’ve all experienced the pressure to let other people’s opinions and agendas run our schedule and rule our lives. Sometimes that pressure can be very intense. The urgency of other people’s expectations for us can be very hard to resist. We feel the pressure from friends and family, from our customers or colleagues.

While we certainly have responsibilities to all those people, we’ve got to be careful not to allow their opinions of what we should or shouldn’t do be the guiding factor of our life. That isn’t necessarily the formula for a happy life, a successful life or the life God wants for us. God wants us to find freedom in Him rather than be puppets on other people’s strings.

Peter comes to Jesus with energy and excitement but Jesus slows the moment down. Jesus chooses to step back and use this moment as an opportunity to interact with Peter at a deeper level.

Teachable moments require a change of pace.

Jesus has the presence of mind not to get caught up in the pressure Peter is putting on him. Instead, he sees this moment as an opportunity to show Peter something that is very important for him to understand. Jesus makes the most of this moment to teach a valuable lesson to the man whom he will eventually put in charge of the movement he will call the Church.

Jesus uses this moment to teach Peter the value that drove his whole life:

*‘Let us go elsewhere, to the neighbouring country towns, so that I can preach there too, because that is why I came.’ And he went all through Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and casting out devils.* (Mark 1:38-39)

Jesus didn’t live for the crowd. Instead, he lived for an audience of one. He connected with his heavenly Father on a daily basis and it was God’s plan and purpose that drove Jesus’ actions and agenda. Even more important to Jesus than healing people was fulfilling the will of his Father.

If you think about it, this is really a pivotal moment. If Jesus had only listened to the crowd, his ministry would have been confined to that one little town of Capernaum. He would have been a big fish, of course, but in a very small pond.

But because he lived for an audience of One, his ministry became a world-wide, world-changing ministry.

Jesus did not get caught up in the pressures of the moment, but rather he seized the moment to teach Peter an incredibly important lesson going forward. And he could seize the moment precisely because he had a clear understanding of his highest priority and purpose. Jesus took advantage of the moment when crowds were vying for his attention to teach Peter the importance of making God’s purpose the number one priority in his life. This was an incredibly valuable lesson for Peter if he was going to lead the Church in the future.

What is the highest priority or greatest value that you want to pass on to the people whom you lead or influence? What one or two values or priorities do you most want to impress upon the people whom you influence? And have you been intentional about that?

The people who are under your authority or within your sphere of influence look to you to understand their priorities in life. But, at some point your time of influence will end. Your employees will move on or your children will move out and go to study or work or to raise a family. And when they look back at they’re time with you, they will remember a few key moments, potentially pivotal moments in which you taught them...something...positive or negative.

Hopefully, it will be a lesson in what you value. They’ll remember a time when you sacrificed money or popularity or comfort so that you could defend the values you hold. They’ll remember the times when they saw you passionately, purposefully defend your priority.

While you can’t plan for teachable moments, you can prepare for them by knowing what is most important, by staying focused on the main thing. And that best happens in a daily quiet time, a daily prayer time.

In prayer you can return your focus to what you care about most, or what you should care about most, and then make sure they’re reflected in your priorities and choices. Then be on the lookout for circumstances and opportunities that provide teachable moments.

Moments matter. Because life comes down to a series of moments, some of them pivotal. And in each and every one of them, God is at work.

#### Lent 2021 – We’re going to get ourselves connected

Our vision for Lent is that it’s a time of connection. I want all of us to come out of the other side of Lent plugged in, recharged, alive with the joy of Easter. I want us to be more connected with God and more connected with each other, so we can support each other and together be supported by Christ.

Last week, I invited you to begin asking yourself, and asking God, “what grace or gift or help would I like from God this Lent?” Please keep that conversation going.

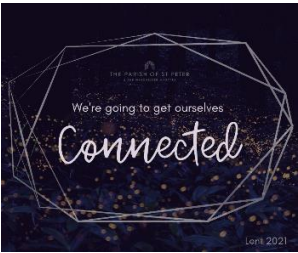
***This week, I’m inviting each and every one of you to engage in our parish offering for Lent in one of three ways: re-boot; re-discover or re-charge.***

**Re-boot** – if you feel like you need to “re-boot” your spiritual life, I’d like to invite you to participate in Alpha. It’s an 11 week course that creates space where we can explore the big issues of Christian faith in a relaxed and informal way. You can register [here](#).

**Re-discover** – if you feel like you’ve got a hunger to know Jesus better or a thirst to explore some of the teachings of the Catholic Church, I’d like to invite you to register for either (i) [Gospel of Mark](#) or (ii) “[Discovering More about Lent](#)”

**Re-charge** – if you’re batteries feel flat and you feel like you’re running on empty, I’d like to invite you to sign up here, where you can choose any or all of the following: (i) receive a [short daily message](#) from the parish; (ii) receive a slightly longer [weekly message](#); or (iii) join Fr Mark for a [weekly guided prayer](#) on Zoom (cameras off during prayer ☹️).

*Let’s get ourselves connected this Lent.*





[Note from the editor – Fr Mark is praying hard that these links work!]


<div data-bbox="108 127 1143 360">  <div> <h1>Alpha Online</h1> <p>YOU ARE INVITED. YOU ARE WELCOME....</p> </div> </div> <div data-bbox="298 400 1010 478"> <p><b>Is there more to life than this? What am I doing here? Is there a God?</b></p> </div> <div data-bbox="177 503 1080 581"> <p>Alpha is an 11-week course that creates a space where we can explore the big issues around faith and unpack the basics of Christian faith in a relaxed and informal way.</p> </div> <div data-bbox="229 634 358 767">  <p>WE GATHER</p> </div> <div data-bbox="572 634 717 780">  <p>WE LISTEN &amp; WATCH</p> </div> <div data-bbox="909 634 1034 767">  <p>WE DISCUSS</p> </div> <div data-bbox="554 832 715 870"> <p><b>JOIN US</b></p> </div> <div data-bbox="364 895 919 1062"> <p><b>MONDAY EVENINGS 8pm – 9.15pm</b> (from 22nd February)</p> <p><b>or during your lunch break on WEDNESDAYS, 12.30pm – 1.30pm</b> (from 24th February)</p> </div> <div data-bbox="108 1146 1100 1283"> <p>To register, visit <a href="http://www.catholicwinchester.org.uk/alpha">www.catholicwinchester.org.uk/alpha</a> or scan the QR code</p>    </div>	<div data-bbox="1167 127 1927 422"> <p><b>Welcome.....</b> If this is your first time reading the newsletter, then you are particularly welcome. Please get in touch - we'd love to tell you about everything that's going on here, and invite you to join us. Just to start you off, elsewhere in the newsletter you will find our services, our virtual church timetable and other activities. Look at our website <a href="https://www.catholicwinchester.org.uk/">https://www.catholicwinchester.org.uk/</a>, or our <a href="#">Facebook page</a> or email <a href="mailto:office@stpeterswinchester.org.uk">office@stpeterswinchester.org.uk</a></p> </div> <div data-bbox="1167 453 1824 537"> <p><b>Re-greening” our lives – taking advantage of Ordinary Time</b></p> </div> <div data-bbox="1167 574 1945 845"> <p>We're now into Ordinary Time, and the priest's and deacon's vestments, and the cover on the ambo, are now green (see the photo). Deacon Martin has written a short reflection on what Ordinary Time means, and what we can do to use this opportunity to "re-green" our own lives. Click on the link to have a read.... <a href="https://catholicwinchester.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/Ordinary-Time-January-2021.pdf">https://catholicwinchester.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/Ordinary-Time-January-2021.pdf</a></p> </div> <div data-bbox="1389 876 1715 1308">  </div>
<div data-bbox="506 1395 1070 1442"> <p><b>Current lockdown regulations</b></p> </div> <div data-bbox="108 1454 1469 1563"> <p>We want everyone to stay safe and take due care: we – all of us - have been given a responsibility by being allowed to continue going to church so it’s important that we observe the social distancing regulations. We’ve had a trust placed in us, and we must respect that: that’s the only way we can keep our churches open.</p> </div> <div data-bbox="108 1603 1469 1787"> <p><b>PLEASE REMEMBER THAT YOU MUST (BY LAW) WEAR A FACE COVERING IN CHURCH AT ALL TIMES, UNLESS YOU HAVE AN AGE, HEALTH or DISABILITY REASON FOR NOT DOING SO (SOME PEOPLE ARE LESS ABLE TO WEAR FACE COVERINGS, AND THE REASONS FOR THIS MAY NOT BE VISIBLE TO OTHERS. PLEASE BE MINDFUL AND RESPECTFUL OF SUCH CIRCUMSTANCES). YOU MAY REMOVE YOUR FACE COVERING BRIEFLY AND TEMPORARILY TO RECEIVE COMMUNION, AND IF YOU ARE PROCLAIMING THE READING AT MASS.</b></p> </div> <div data-bbox="108 1824 1469 2004"> <p>It’s also particularly important that you keep your distance from those in the congregation from other households, and don’t socialise or stop and chat with them at the end of Mass, either inside or outside church. Please: wave, nod, smile and greet from a distance. We know how hard that is, none of us likes it, but we have to observe the rules in the hope of a better future... And remember that <b>all services from St Peter’s are livestreamed</b> so you can always take part from home.</p> </div>	<div data-bbox="1497 1395 1921 1463"> <p><b>Charges for parking in the Library Car Park on Sundays</b></p> </div> <div data-bbox="1497 1504 1935 1724"> <p>This is a gentle reminder that parking in the Library Car Park on a SUNDAY is no longer free - there is a charge of £2 for all day parking. The fine is £25 if paid within 14 days or else £50.</p> </div>
<div data-bbox="102 2082 506 2113"> <p><b>Update/Changes to our website</b></p> </div> <div data-bbox="102 2122 959 2299"> <p>We've been making some changes to our website: you may have had problems accessing it this week, but it should be OK now. It’s still a work in progress, so let us know what you think about the changes The link is still the same: <a href="#">The Parish of St Peter and the Winchester Martyrs</a></p> </div>	<div data-bbox="987 2082 1935 2299"> <p><b>Newsletter</b> We are planning on making some changes to the newsletter - so we’d love to hear from you if you have any comments. Do you think it’s too detailed or too long? What do you think of the cover email? Do you read every word, or just skim? Which features do you like, and which would you get rid of? Email <a href="mailto:editor@stpeterswinchester.org.uk">editor@stpeterswinchester.org.uk</a> Thanks to everyone who has already sent in comments – we are reading them all carefully.</p> </div>
<div data-bbox="108 2371 828 2405"> <p><b>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, ‘Adoration’</b></p> </div> <div data-bbox="108 2411 895 2473"> <p><i>We cannot encounter God and remain unchanged however subtle the encounter.</i></p> </div> <div data-bbox="108 2480 963 2545"> <p>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (Adoration) takes place every day in St Peter’s Church. Come spend time with the One who knows you best!</p> </div> <div data-bbox="108 2582 782 2818"> <p>Times: <b>8am – 9am</b> weekdays <b>11am – 12pm</b> every day except Sunday, when it is 11 till 11.45 because of mass To participate online or see the recorded services for Morning Prayer &amp; Adoration and Night Prayer &amp; Adoration, go to our YouTube channel <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCbGgrcbDyLY75pmCAopfLlg/live">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCbGgrcbDyLY75pmCAopfLlg/live</a></p> </div> <div data-bbox="808 2554 1014 2738">  </div>	<div data-bbox="1040 2371 1612 2405"> <p><b>Parish Financial Report to August 2020</b></p> </div> <div data-bbox="1040 2445 1884 2477"> <p>The Parish Financial Report is now available to view on the Parish website.</p> </div> <div data-bbox="1040 2517 1949 2753"> <p>We will be holding an open meeting when members of the Parish Finance and Property Advisory Committee will be presenting this Financial Report and you will have the opportunity to ask questions about the Parish finances. You are warmly invited to attend the meeting which will take place by Zoom on Thursday 18th February at 19:45. To confirm your attendance <a href="#">please register here</a>.</p> </div>



<p><b>STREET PASTORS - STILL THERE WHEN NEEDED, AND RECRUITING NOW</b></p> <p>Times change, and lockdowns come and go, but the city's Street Pastors have been out there when we can, offering reassurance, safety and support, by caring, listening and helping.</p> <p>Right now we are recruiting, for training starting (online if necessary) probably in early March. We are looking for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Street Pastors for our April-October only, early Friday evening, non-city centre teams.</li> <li>• Street Pastors for our later (Covid permitting) teams on either Friday or Saturday evening.</li> <li>• Prayer Pastors who will EITHER pray at home OR from our base in Jewry St while their team is on the streets.</li> </ul> <p>If you are even slightly interested, contact Mark Hibbert-Hingston for more information, on <a href="mailto:winchester@streetpastors.org.uk">winchester@streetpastors.org.uk</a> or 07740 288654. Find us on Facebook, Instagram or our website.</p>	<p><b>Useful Contacts</b></p> <p>Clergy: Fr Mark Hogan (Parish Priest); Fr Anthony Chiatu Njingo (Assistant Priest); &amp; Fr Stephen Vooght</p> <p>Deacon Gerard Dailly and Deacon Martin McElroy</p> <p>Director of Evangelisation and Leadership: Allegra Mutanda</p> <p>Finance Manager Annette Parr,: Facilities and Resources Manager Sean Reidy</p> <p>Pastoral team: Rosanne Walker, Jo Donaldson</p> <p>To get in touch with them, and for other general matters, please contact the Parish Office: 01962 852804 <a href="mailto:office@stpeterswinchester.org.uk">office@stpeterswinchester.org.uk</a> .</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PeterCares : <a href="mailto:petercares@stpeterswinchester.org.uk">petercares@stpeterswinchester.org.uk</a></li> <li>• Prayerline: <a href="mailto:prayer@stpeterswinchester.org.uk">prayer@stpeterswinchester.org.uk</a></li> <li>• Newsletter: <a href="mailto:editor@stpeterswinchester.org.uk">editor@stpeterswinchester.org.uk</a></li> <li>• Newsletter list: <a href="mailto:hello@stpeterswinchester.org.uk">hello@stpeterswinchester.org.uk</a></li> <li>• St. Peter's School Office: 01962 852820</li> <li>• St. Thomas More's Stockbridge: please email Anne Keenan at <a href="mailto:anne@annekeenan.co.uk">anne@annekeenan.co.uk</a></li> <li>• For stewarding and volunteering: please email Anna <a href="mailto:annasmyllie@outlook.com">annasmyllie@outlook.com</a></li> </ul>
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<div>  <div> <p><b>PLEASE PRAY FOR</b> the repose of the souls of those who have died recently:</p> <p>Carmel Wright RIP Bernard O’Keefe RIP Helena Mary O’Leary RIP Pat Cowling RIP</p> </div>  </div>	<p><b>FAMILY MASS – SATURDAYS, 3.30PM</b></p> <p>We want to support our families - please know there’s a special mass for you at St. Peter’s at the moment: 3:30pm on Saturday’s. It’s there if you’d find it helpful (but there’s no pressure on you to come) - we’ll keep it going as long as there’s a need (and if we stop we’ll start again as soon as there is a need). It will always be livestreamed for live viewing, or catch up later</p>
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	<div>  <p><b>Responding to the prompt (of the Holy Spirit)</b></p> <p>A Portsmouth Diocese Meeting Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> February 10am to 1pm on Zoom</p> <p>This online event, organised by a team working with our own Fr Mark (in his diocesan role), is an opportunity to inspire and to hear from others about how we, as Church, in Portsmouth Diocese have responded – or how we might respond-- in practical ways, to the Great Commission (Mt 28: 19).</p> <p>Register at <a href="http://www.tinyurl.com/6th-feb-21">www.tinyurl.com/6th-feb-21</a> to receive the Zoom link.</p> <p>Opening with prayer led by Fr Kelvin from Boars Hill Carmel near Oxford. Fr Mike Schmitz will challenge and inspire us, in a video, to respond to the spirit just as the apostles did at Pentecost. In breakout rooms we will share how we think we might respond to Jesus’s commission, or share what has already worked, or could work. Others will give short introductions to their approach to Mission.</p> </div>
<p><b>Thank you</b></p> <p><i>After 6 seasons of <b>Alpha, Liz Eastham</b> is stepping down from coordinating Alpha in the parish to take up other opportunities to use her gifts and engage in the mission of the parish. Through her generosity, dedication and faith, many people of faith and none have come to encounter Christ in new and life-changing ways. Liz’s love of Jesus is a true witness to us all and she will be missed on the Alpha Team. Please pray for the new Alpha Core Team in this new season of ministry</i></p>	
<div>  <p>This Lent, CAFOD invites you and the whole Catholic community of England and Wales to join the Big Walk for Water <a href="#">Join the Big Walk for Water!   CAFOD</a> virtual event on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> February . We are asking everyone to walk in solidarity with those who have to walk to collect water each day like Abdella from Ethiopia. You can walk 5 miles or just around your garden but please walk so that we can make this an event to create awareness of water poverty and to raise funds for those living in poverty around the world. If you are a keen walker could you Walk for Water as a personal Lenten challenge by walking 10,000 steps a day, every day, for 40 days to raise funds for CAFOD’s Lent appeal. Find out more at <a href="https://cafod.org.uk/Fundraise/Walk-for-Water">https://cafod.org.uk/Fundraise/Walk-for-Water</a> Please contact Jo Lewry <a href="mailto:jlerwry@cafod.org.uk">jlerwry@cafod.org.uk</a> for more information <a href="mailto:portsmouth@cafod.org.uk">portsmouth@cafod.org.uk</a></p> </div>	<p><b>For young people:</b> We are still having our two <b>youth groups</b> for year 7-9, and for year 10-13, but online! Dates for next sessions are 3rd Feb (y7-9), and 24th Feb (y10-13). We play games, do activities and have discussions about chosen topics, and then end in a prayer. It starts at 7pm for the year 7-9s and 7.30 for the 10-13s. Anyone is welcome, you do not have to be Catholic!</p> <p>We're also holding a <b>virtual drop in</b> on Mondays from 12.30pm - 1.30pm for anyone in year 7 and above. You do have to sign up so that we know who is coming into the group, but you can do this in 5 minutes, so you could sign up and then follow the link directly into the meeting. It's an open space to come and chat, so feel free to drop by! Email <a href="mailto:youthstuff@stpeterswinchester.org.uk">youthstuff@stpeterswinchester.org.uk</a> to get the links for any of these, and for more information.</p>

<p><b>Apologies if you have had problems</b> receiving the newsletter by email – we are victims of our own success. With so many people signing up, the distribution system buckled under the numbers! Doing our best to put it right, tell us if you have issues.</p> <p><a href="mailto:editor@stpeterswinchester.org.uk">editor@stpeterswinchester.org.uk</a></p>	<p><b>PRAYER CORNER:</b></p> <p>Each week, this section will contain an intercession that I hope every parishioner will pray for during the coming week. In this way, we will all pray to the Lord for the parish’s mission, because “<i>if the Lord does not build... in vain do the builders labour</i>” (Ps 127:1) <b>Fr. Mark</b></p> <p><b>This Week’s Intention</b> Let us pray that we will reach out to people in need with kindness, patience and persistence so that we may help them experience God’s love and grace.</p> 
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Message from St. Peter’s School

Dear Parents

‘The Presentation of Our Lord in the Temple’

This week we focused, as a school on Jesus being presented at the temple in Jerusalem as was commemorated in Tuesday’s feast of Candlemas. In the reading the children heard how Simeon described Jesus as ‘the light of the world.’ It is a term we often use to describe Our Lord so we considered the importance of light in our lives and how we need to let the light of Christ shine upon us, and through us for others to see.

*“Sovereign Lord, now let your servant die in peace as you have promised.  
I have seen your salvation, which you have prepared for all people.  
He is a light to reveal God to the nations, and he is the glory of your people Israel!”*

Luke 2: 29-32

Through using William Holman Hunt’s painting we reflected on...

- Do we remember that Jesus is the light to show us the way?
- Do we open our door to Jesus?
- Do we let Christ’s light shine through us?

This painting can be seen at St Paul’s Cathedral and at Keeble College, Oxford.

Dear Lord

As we begin each day let us remember that you are our light to guide us, comfort us and support us as we do our best each day.  
Let us open our door to you; welcoming you into our lives.  
Christ be our light.

Amen

The Gospel challenge is for the children to find out about other stories in the Bible about light.

analogies from this occupation.

*‘And Jesus said to them: Come after me, and I will make you to become fishers of men.’*

Mark1:17

Best wishes, Louise Buxton (Miss), Headteacher



Gospel of Mark - Scripture Reflection series with Deacon Martin

Deacon Martin invites you to join him, and other parishioners, on a journey through the Gospel of Mark.

Throughout this year, most of our Sunday gospels (and those at weekday Mass) are from Mark's gospel. So we hope this series will help you put each of those gospel readings in context - as we'll read and reflect together on a chapter each week.

The format of each session will be discussion-based, plus a summary of each chapter's key themes from Deacon Martin. There'll also be plenty of opportunities to ask questions, and meet other parishioners. Don't worry if you can't attend every session: you'll be given the materials from each week's session to catch up if you want.

The sessions are taking place weekly over Zoom, on Friday evenings, from 19:45-21:30, **starting Friday 5th March.**

To join us, and get more details, please register via the following link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZludOGtqD4oGdaE2DG12xsvz4CgBP3AxqWz>

If you have any questions, please email [formation@stpeterswinchester.org.uk](mailto:formation@stpeterswinchester.org.uk).

We hope you will join us, not only to learn about Mark's gospel, but more importantly to get to know its subject: "Jesus Christ, the Son of God" ([Mk 1:1](#)).

*Frontispiece of the gospel of Mark, from the Lindisfarne Gospels (Cotton MS Nero D IV), courtesy of the British Library.*





<p style="text-align: center;"><b>CWL News</b></p> <p>“We always look forward to our link up and before we get involved, CWL prayers are said, any apologies given from those who could not make it and any business dealt with. Our topic last week was fridge magnets which caused some hilarity; we showed some favourite ones, someone has forty four - and a large fridge! One Member’s fridge is non-magnetic so there are a few on her microwave instead, which say “Love doesn’t make the world go round, love is what makes the ride worthwhile.” Another, “If you can’t change something, change the way you think about it.” There were several with family photos, also some from a holiday destination, you only have to look at a particular one and immediately you are transported back there, triggering happy memories, relished even more now because of the times we are living in. A few more; “The road to success is always under construction,” “ Bloom where you are planted,” “Great things take time and” “Smiles are always in fashion,” all certainly food for thought.</p> <p>Two of our Members have had their vaccinations and will be following on for the second one in due course, other Members are due to have their vaccination very soon. Some have had the Pfizer vaccine, others Oxford/Astra-Zeneca but of course, both for Covid 19. For those who haven’t had one yet and perhaps need reassuring, it’s all very well organised at the various Centres, most people seem to go to Badger Farm. On arrival, check in with one of the team, on to the nurse, details checked, any allergies etc. Afterwards a wait for fifteen minutes, then one is free to leave. No-one seems to have had any side effects, just thankful to have had it, as if one has been given some armour against this awful disease, but at the same time, remembering not to be complacent, still adhering to advice, taking the same precautions. It will be so good when everyone has had the vaccination, free to look forward to a new normality and as has been noticed, taking time to value life more. Clapping for the NHS brought out everyone’s appreciation in lots of ways in the Community. A picture seen says “It’s just the little kindly things, the won’t you let me help you things that make our pathway light, that make the world seem bright.”</p>	<p><b>Readings and Antiphons</b>  <b>Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2021 – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>  <b>Entrance Antiphon - Ps 94: 6-7</b></p> <p>O come, let us worship God  and bow low before the God who made us,  for he is the Lord our God.</p> <p><b>First reading - Job 7:1-4,6-7</b></p> <p><b>Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 146(147):1-6</b>  <i>R/ Praise the Lord who heals the broken-hearted.</i></p> <p><b>Second reading - 1 Corinthians 9:16-19,22-23</b></p> <p><b>Gospel Acclamation - Jn8:12</b></p> <p>Alleluia, alleluia!  I am the light of the world, says the Lord;  anyone who follows me will have the light of life.  Alleluia!</p> <p><b>Gospel - Mark 1:29-39</b></p> <p><b>Communion Antiphon - Cf. Ps 106: 8-9</b>  Let them thank the Lord for his mercy,  his wonders for the children of men,  for he satisfies the thirsty soul,  and the hungry he fills with good things.</p>
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## Virtual Church Programme - Week commencing 7<sup>th</sup> February

All public liturgies are also live streamed.

	Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> Feb 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time	Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Wed 10 <sup>th</sup> Feb St Scholastica	Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> Feb Our Lady of Lourdes	Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup> Feb
8am – 9am		Public Morning Prayer & Adoration	Public Morning Prayer & Adoration	Public Morning Prayer & Adoration	Public Morning Prayer & Adoration	Public Morning Prayer & Adoration	9am Public Mass @ St Peter’s
9.20 – 9.50am	Children’s Liturgy Online (See website for registration)						
10am	Sunday Mass <i>Live stream only</i>		Public Mass @ St Peter’s	Public Mass @ St Peter’s	Public Mass @ St Peter’s		
11.15am	St Peter's Tea Room <i>Zoom Virtual room</i>						
11am – 12noon		Holy Hour (Adoration) @ St Peter’s	Holy Hour (Adoration) @ St Peter’s	Holy Hour (Adoration) @ St Peter’s	Holy Hour (Adoration) @ St Peter’s	Holy Hour (Adoration) @ St Peter’s	Holy Hour (Adoration) @ St Peter’s
12noon	Public Mass @ St Peter’s						
12.15pm		Public Mass @ St Peter’s				Public Mass @ St Peter’s	
2.55pm		Divine Mercy chaplet <i>Zoom virtual room</i>	Divine Mercy chaplet <i>Zoom virtual room</i>	Divine Mercy chaplet <i>Zoom virtual room</i>	Divine Mercy chaplet <i>Zoom virtual room</i>	Divine Mercy chaplet <i>Zoom virtual room</i>	
3.30pm							Family Mass @ St Peter’s
5.30pm	Public Mass @ St Peter’s						Public Mass @ St Peter’s
7pm		Public Mass @ St Peter’s	Public Mass @ St Peter’s	Public Mass @ St Peter’s	Public Mass @ St Peter’s	Public Mass @ St Peter’s	
9pm	Night Prayer - <i>Live Stream only</i>	Night Prayer - <i>Live Stream only</i>	Night Prayer - <i>Live Stream only</i>	Night Prayer - <i>Live Stream only</i>	Night Prayer - <i>Live Stream only</i>	Night Prayer - <i>Live Stream only</i>	Night Prayer - <i>Live Stream only</i>

To access the Zoom virtual sessions, click <https://zoom.us/j/4388694572>  
Alternatively, sign into Zoom and enter **Meeting ID:** 438 869 4572.  
**Password:** 376428.

[PLEASE CLICK HERE TO PARTICIPATE IN MASS ONLINE](#)  
  
[Click here if you wish to see recorded services](#)

Mass Timetable	30 <sup>th</sup> January – 6 <sup>th</sup> February 2021			
Date	Mass Times & Intentions			Livestream/Public
SATURDAY – February 6 <sup>th</sup> <i>Saints Paul Miki and his Companions</i>	9 AM	Mass	Soul of Margaret Merryman	Livestream, public
	3.30 PM	Family mass at St Peter’s		Livestream, Public, booking reqd
	5.30PM	Vigil Mass	All Souls in Purgatory	Livestream, Public, booking reqd
SUNDAY – February 7 <sup>th</sup> 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time	8 AM	THERE IS NO 8.00AM SUNDAY MASS UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE		
	9 AM	Mass at St Thomas More’s		Public, booking reqd *
	9.15 AM	Mass at St Stephen’s		Public, booking reqd
	10.00AM	Mass	Catenian – Deceased Brothers	Livestream only
	11 AM	Mass at St Gregory’s		Public, booking reqd
	11-11.45 AM	Adoration & private prayer		Open to public
	12 Noon	Mass		Livestream, Public, booking reqd
	5.30PM	Mass	For the Dead in Cemeteries	Livestream, Public, booking reqd
MONDAY – February 8 <sup>th</sup> <i>St. Josephine Bakhita</i>	12.15PM	Mass	Soul of Richard Spencer and Concelebrating Local Priests	Livestream & public
	7.00PM	Mass		Livestream & public
TUESDAY – February 9 <sup>th</sup>	10AM	Mass	Soul of Margaret Merryman	Livestream & Public
	10 AM	Mass at ST GREGORY’S		Public
	7.00PM	Mass		Livestream & public
WEDNESDAY – February 10 <sup>th</sup> <i>St. Scholastica</i>	10AM	Mass	Jeremy Bull RIP	Livestream & public
	7PM	Mass		Livestream & public
THURSDAY – February 11 <sup>th</sup> <i>Our Lady of Lourdes</i>	10AM	Mass		Livestream, Public
	7 PM	Mass	Soul of Edward Hill	Livestream, Public
FRIDAY – February 12 <sup>th</sup>	10 AM	Mass at St Gregory’s		Public
	12.15PM	Mass	Maureen & Gerard Leyden RIP and members of Leyden family, living and deceased	Livestream, Public
	7 PM	Mass		Livestream, Public
SATURDAY – February 13 <sup>th</sup> <i>Our Lady on Saturday</i>	9 AM	Mass		Livestream, Public
	3.30 PM	Family mass at St Peter’s		Livestream, Public, booking reqd
	5.30 PM	Vigil Mass	K.J. John RIP	Livestream, public, booking reqd

All at St. Peter’s, except where stated. \*To book mass at St Thomas More’s Stockbridge, email Anne [anne@annekeenan.co.uk](mailto:anne@annekeenan.co.uk). If you would like a phone number to call her, please ring the office 01962 852804 to ask for it.  
All other bookings via website homepage - [The Parish of St Peter & the Winchester Martyrs](#) - or call office 01962 852804

Note that the **FAMILY MASSES** (3.30pm Saturdays) are always at St Peter’s for now.

Night prayer (livestream only) every evening from St Peter’s, 9pm  
Morning Prayer (open to public) every weekday, Monday to Friday, 8am, followed by Adoration till 9am  
St Peter’s also open for Adoration and private prayer every day 11 till 12 (11.45 on Sundays)  
Confessions are usually available (without booking) on Saturdays, 11 till noon, then 4.30 to 5  
ALL SERVICES (INCLUDING MORNING PRAYER, NIGHT PRAYER & ADORATION) FROM ST PETER’S ARE LIVESTREAMED

Children’s Liturgy Online

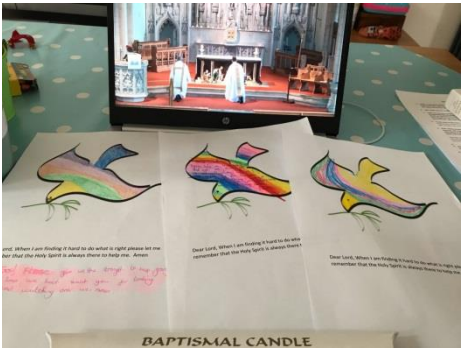
Our weekly Children's Liturgy is running now via our online Zoom platform. The sessions take place at 9:30am - 9:50am on Sundays, so you are then free to join in with the 10am livestreamed Mass if you wish. To make the sessions as secure as possible, you will need to pre-register here:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUpd-CgqDsJHdFJaIMzv9TVFB4lu-9cEITv>



You will then receive an email with an individual ID (please don't share this with anyone) and a few safeguarding reminders.

Printable activity & colouring sheets are put up in advance on the website: <https://catholicwinchester.org.uk/young/childrens-liturgy-online/> and the other details are there too. We look forward to seeing you there!



## Discovering more about Lent

### A series of six evening sessions

Lent is a time when we are invited to repent, which means to turn back to God, to take stock of our lives and to resolve to deepen our love of God and our neighbour.

In this series we help one another to discover more about some of the practices that help us to do this. We will look at some of the beautiful scriptures on forgiveness and love for our brothers and sisters, the teaching of the Church, and the wonderful gift of the sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation.

Sessions will be led by: Fr Stephen Vooght, Tony Darlison, Mike Elks, Mike Slinn, Rosanne Walker.

If you would like to join us, please register using this link:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZEvd-2tpiktGtaM32RT\\_QLzazWSkZ57Yxhs](https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZEvd-2tpiktGtaM32RT_QLzazWSkZ57Yxhs)

If you have any questions please e-mail [formation@stpeterswinchester.org.uk](mailto:formation@stpeterswinchester.org.uk)

### What is Lent? Tuesday 16 February 19:45 – 21:00

Reflect on Jesus' forty days in the desert following His baptism, as he prepared for his ministry. Deepen your understanding of how you are invited to imitate Jesus this Lent.

### Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving Tuesday 23 February 19:45 – 21:00

Learn about why the Church, since the earliest times, has recommended the three 'pillars' of Lenten devotion: prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Develop your understanding of prayer and fasting and share practical ideas for Lenten observance.

### Called to Serve Tuesday 2 March 19:45 – 21:00

Listen to how the third 'pillar' of Lent, almsgiving, is a call to service. Deepen your understanding of prayer as the source of love, and service of our neighbour as a consequence of love.

### Service in Scripture Tuesday 9 March 19:45 – 21:00

Meditate on some beautiful passages from the scriptures in which the Lord speaks to us of the nature of His love for us and His command to imitate him by loving our brothers and sisters.

### Service in Church Teaching Tuesday 16 March 19:45 – 21:00

Discover more about how the Church has helped interpret Jesus' teaching on service in the form of her social teaching, and reflect on what it might mean in our lives now.

### Penance and Reconciliation Tuesday 23 March 19:45 – 21:00

Explore this beautiful sacrament, instituted by Jesus Christ, in which He heals us, gives us 'pardon and peace', reconciles us to Himself and to His Church, and gives us grace to strengthen us on our path to holiness.

## Gospel of Mark - Scripture Reflection series with Deacon Martin



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Join us for a journey through  
the Gospel of Mark

Weekly, discussion-based  
sessions with a summary of  
each chapter's key themes  
from Deacon Martin

Friday evenings on Zoom  
19:45-21:30  
Starting 5th March 2021

To join, and get more details, please register  
by clicking on [this link](#)

*All welcome!*