#### Prayers By Rob Downes on behalf of National & International Ministry Team

**Romans 8:35 & 37** 'Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? ......No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.'

Heavenly Father, thank you for this promise. We pray for our Mission Partners both here in the UK and those in other countries that you will uphold them, especially:

**Craig & Elaine Watson:** We thank you for Craig and Elaine's work in Nepal with KISC school. Please be with them at a time of social unrest in Nepal coinciding with the recent election. Keep them safe and give them wisdom and energy in their work.

**Salim & Kay Munayer:** Thank you for their ministry of reconciliation working across divided communities in Jerusalem and beyond. We pray for their son Daniel who has taken over as Director of the Musalaha foundation. Give him wisdom and strength to help him meet this challenge. Be with Kay as she continues to support small scale olive wood traders from the West Bank. At this time we pray for protection as she may face hostility while selling their products in Christmas markets in Jerusalem.

**Dave & Kath Richardson:** Thank you for the important support they were able to share with families in Barlad on their recent trip to Romania. We pray for the positive impact this will have, particularly for the children of that area who have so little. We pray that through this work many will be drawn closer to you.

**Lindsay & Rachel Flintoff:** We thank you that Rachel was able to visit and support her family in Malaysia in the weeks before her mother died. Be with all the family in this time of sadness.

Lord, make us faithful in our prayers and support for all our mission partners and may they know your presence alongside them. We ask these things in Jesus' name. *Amen* 

Please pray for: (no names at present) *E-mail* <u>office@stpetersparish.info</u> *if* you want your name to appear on this list as consent must be given by the individual concerned.

Praver Chain: amanda	@stpetersparish.info /599900	
Parish Office: Open Mon to Fri 9.30am-3pm	599900/ 599901	office@stpetersparish.info
Revd. Alan Saunders (Vicar)	07767 643444/ 848624	alan@stpetersparish.info
Revd. Dave Brae (Associate Minister)	847038	dave@stpetersparish.info
Elian Winstanley and Phil Weaver (Wardens)		wardens@stpetersparish.info
Youth Minister (post vacant)		
Amanda Blease (Parish Business Manager)	599900	amanda@stpetersparish.info
Sam Wolstencroft (CAP Centre Manager)	599903 / 07934 716509	samwolstencroft@capuk.org
www.stpetersparish.info St Peter's	Halliwell <b>()</b> Stpetersh	alliwell HalliwellParish



 Welcome to St. Peter's.
 We are 4 churches:

 St. Peter's,
 St. Andrew's, Barrow Bridge and Smithills Fellowship

 One Parish—One Church—One Vision

## Sunday 4th December 2022

**Rev Alan Saunders writes...** I am loving our new Kingdom Values sermon series and I am particularly encouraged to see numbers growing at our weekly parish-wide 6.30pm services. Last week Dave Brae spoke on the *Impossible Kingdom* and you can watch his excellent talk here: <u>https://youtu.be/9A9WUFb6y04</u>. This week I will be speaking on *Kingdom Integrity* from Matthew 5:27-37.

**Pais Team Update** – Thanks to those who have **PAIS**MOVEMENT responded to the request to explore becoming hosts.

If you want to explore the idea of hosting a youth worker from Jan-July for the 7 months or just a 12 week term, please get in contact ASAP! The deadline is **TODAY (4th).** 

**Season of Return** – This week we launch details of our Christmas services, and you'll see a festive feast of opportunities available for us all to enjoy. Christmas is the best time to invite friends to church, so let's all get involved -

we've printed thousands of flyers to give away and created a Season beautiful design that you can share with friends on social media.

<u>Services:</u> Today is the Second Sunday in Advent. Our morning services reading is Matthew 3:1-12, theme: John the Baptist prepares the way. St. Peter's Church: 10.30am Livestream: <u>https://youtu.be/EEBzgLZyHPO</u>. This will be a Communion service. 6.30pm Theme: (See above). <u>Our sister churches</u>: 10am Smithills Fellowship (Time Out); 10.30am Barrow Bridge and 10.30am St. Andrew's (Communion).

Lighthouse (Ages 4-13): Taking place in St. Peter's Parish Centre from 10.20am - 11.45am TODAY. Contact Ben on 07512 753201/ lighthouse@stpetersparish.info for info.



PrayerZone- worship. pray. seek: Our next session is at 8pm
 NEXT Monday (12th) in St. Peter's Church. Please join us for an hour of dynamic prayer. Everybody welcome.

Parish Office, St. Peter's Parish Centre, 347 Church Road, Bolton BL1 5RR

#### General activities this week at St. Peter's Parish Centre:

**Monday 5th:** 10am-12noon The Coffee Room. This cafe is open to everyone; 10.30am Strength and Balance class (FULL). То go 599900/amanda@stpetersparish.info; on the waiting list, contact Tuesday 6th: 10am-11.30am Little Wiggles. All parents and carers welcome at this group for babies and toddlers. No need to book, just turn up!; 7.30pm-9pm TREAD. Youth group for years 7+. Contact Ben on 07512 753201. Wednesday 7th: 10am Open Door. Coffee until 10.20am. Carols. ladies 846490. All welcome. Contact Sandra Lewis on Thursday 8th: 10am Aerobics. All welcome. Contact Paula on 07913 408141; 1pm-2.45pm The Well Toddler Group. All welcome. 926650/janeheath@heathnet.plus.com Contact Jane 07472 on Friday 9th: 10.30am Friday Life. All welcome. Contact denis.collier@gmail.com; 8pm Stressbusters. All welcome. Contact Geoff Barlow on 561760 / 07835 388732. Saturday 10th: 9am-12noon (age-related sessions) INTERACT School of Performing Arts. Contact Emma on 07896 724531

#### General activities at St. Andrew's (Hope Centre)

Tuesday 6th: 9.45am-11.30am TOTS Parent and Toddler Group. Contact Julie on 07835 014470 for details.

Wednesday 7th: 9am-1pm The Hub. Drop-in session. A warm welcome awaits and friendly conversation, refreshments and fun activities.



Please pray for JAXON RYAN PARRY who is being baptised TODAY (4th) in St. Peter's Church. We thank God for the gift of this child and for his BAPTISM parents, godparents, family and friends on this special occasion.

**CAP** Christmas: Thank you for all your kind donations of smellies and vouchers. We really appreciate it! If you would like to help wrap presents (Wednesday 14th at 8pm) or deliver gifts to clients, do let Sam know.



Quinta fundraising event at Café Italia: A big thank you to everyone who supported this brilliant evening last Saturday—a fantastic **£832** was raised! Look out for details of more Quinta fundraisers coming in the New Year.

Church supplementary form signing for primary school admissions 2023: This will take place on Thursday 12th January 2023 from 6.30pm in St. Peter's Parish Centre. Book your slot by contacting office@stpetersparish.info/ 599900 with this info: child's name, church attended and parent name and contact details.

PARISH OF ST PETER, HALLIWELL 'Transforming Bolton Together in Jesus' Name'



# Join Ils This Christmas...

## Sunday 11th December

10:00am - Nativity at the Farm at Smithills Farm 10:30<sub>am</sub> - The Awesome Mix Nativity at St. Peter's Church 10:30am - Nativity Service at Barrow Bridge Mission

### Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> December

10:00am - Carol Service at Smithills Fellowship 10:30am - All Age Advent Service at St. Peter's Church 10:30<sub>am</sub> - Carol Service at Barrow Bridge Mission 10:30<sub>am</sub> - Carol Service at St. Andrew's (Hope Centre) 7:00pm - Candlelit 9 Lessons and Carols at St. Peter's Church

## Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> December

4:00pm - CreateBolton Family Service at St. Peter's Church 11:30<sub>pm</sub> - Midnight Communion at St. Peter's Church

### Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> December CHRISTMAS DAY

9:00am Communion at St. Peter's Church 10:00<sub>am</sub> at Smithills Fellowship 10:30<sub>am</sub> at St. Peter's Church 10:30<sub>am</sub> at Barrow Bridge Mission

## Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> January **NEW YEAR'S DAY**

10:30<sub>am</sub> at St. Peter's Church 10:30<sub>am</sub> at St. Andrew's (Hope Centre)



