

## Prayers by Chris Winstanley on behalf of St. Peter's Primary School

### Prayer for Schools

We give thanks for a busy, fun and enjoyable term, for all that the children have learned and the challenges that have been met!

Loving God, we pray for all children as they prepare for a new season in their lives.

As they prepare to start nursery or school for the first time – give them joy in new experiences.

As they prepare to move to new classes – give them confidence in growing friendships.

As they prepare to move to new schools – give them strength in their growing independence.

As they prepare to move on to college or university – give them wisdom in their maturity.

And for all the teachers, assistants, helpers, carers and volunteers who teach and nurture our children and young people, we ask for your blessing, your joy, your wisdom and your patience as they re-charge their batteries over the summer break, ready for the new term!

We ask this in the name of Jesus. Amen.



E-mail [office@stpetersparish.info](mailto:office@stpetersparish.info) if you want your name to appear here for prayers as consent must be given by the individual concerned.

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**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 16th July 2023**

**Rev. Alan writes: Staff Comings and Goings...** In last week's newsletter I focussed on how God is building us up for his mission. This week I have some significant news to share with you regarding our parish staff team.

**Pais** – we have a team of three potential youthwork apprentices lined-up to join us for the school year from September. They are Daniel from Congo/S.Africa who is a church worker, Ana from Brazil who is a paediatric physiotherapist, and Michelle from Germany who is a student. All three of them love working with children and young people and would bring huge experience and skills. If you can host any of them, please speak to me.



Daniel Kigonza Ana Julia Armoa Michelle Löwen

**Children and Families Worker** – the application pack and job advert are almost ready, and I am keen that we start advertising this exciting new position very soon. Feel free to speak informally to me if interested.

**Parish Centre Caretaker** – I'm sad that Ben Latham has handed in his notice and will be leaving his job as caretaker at the end of August to pursue his dream of working as a graphic designer. He will of course remain committed as a volunteer leader working with our children and young people and as a valued member of St Peter's leadership team. We will start advertising the caretaker vacancy soon, again feel free to speak informally to me or Amanda if interested.



**Ordinand Placement** – I'm delighted to confirm that the lovely Libby Greenhalgh will be joining us on placement from September while she continues her clergy ordination training at Emmanuel Theological College. Libby is known to many of us, and she brings a wealth of experience, energy, and passion. It's exciting to be welcoming her to our staff team.



Please pray for all of this and don't hesitate to get in touch to discuss anything, thanks and blessings!

### Church services across the parish today:

**St. Peter's Church:** **8.30am** Service of the Word; **10.30am** Morning service with Communion. Twinklers in the Lounge. Livestream: <https://youtube.com/live/J6L3noXPca8>; **6.30pm** Worship and teaching. Livestream of reading and talk: <https://youtube.com/live/efQcZpsfHxQ>; **Our sister churches:** **10am** Smithills Fellowship (Time Out); **10.30am** Barrow Bridge and **10.30am** St. Andrew's.



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

### General Activities at St. Peter's Parish Centre:

**Monday 17th:** **10am-12noon The Coffee Room.** This cafe is *open to everyone*; **9.30am-10.30am/11am-12noon Strength and Balance class.** These classes are **FULL**. To go on the waiting list, contact 599900/[amanda@stpetersparish.info](mailto:amanda@stpetersparish.info);  
**Tuesday 18th:** **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.  
**Thursday 20th:** **10am Aerobics.** All welcome. Contact Paula on 07913 408141;  
**1pm-2.45pm The Well Toddler Group.** Contact Parish Office on 599900;  
**Friday 21st:** **10.30am Friday Life.** Everyone welcome. Contact [denis.collier@gmail.com](mailto:denis.collier@gmail.com); **8pm Stressbusters.** Badminton. Everyone welcome. Contact Geoff Barlow on 561760 / 07835 388732.  
**Saturday 22nd:** **9am-12noon (age-related sessions) INTERACT School of Performing Arts.** Contact Emma on 07896 724531

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

**Tuesday 18th:** **9.45am-11.30am TOTS Parent and Toddler Group.** Contact Julie on 07835 014470 for details.

**Wednesday 19th:** **From 9am The Hub.** Drop-in session. A warm welcome, friendly conversation, refreshments and fun activities awaits.



**Job Vacancy at St. Peters:** We are sorry to say that Ben Latham, the caretaker/cleaner for St. Peter's Church and the Parish Centre, is moving on at the end of August. Therefore, as of 1st September there is a vacancy for this role - a full-time, permanent position which will require a DBS check. **We are looking for someone who is adaptable, self-motivated, conscientious and enthusiastic to join our team—is this you?** If you would like to have an informal chat in the first instance about what this job entails, please contact Amanda in the Parish Office on 599900.

**CreateBolton:** On Monday 10th July, one of our mission partners, CreateBolton, celebrated being 10 years old as a charity. Andrew and Joy Kilpatrick say "We'd like to give thanks to God for His provision every day and for all the love, support and prayers from St Peters Parish."



## Volunteers Needed

From **Monday 24th July—Friday 1st September** (not including 28th August for the bank holiday) each week day we will be making sandwiches and lunch bags for children across Bolton. The doors will open at 6.45am for you to get ready and we will start the session at 7am. This will run until 8.30am.

Please **book in** by emailing [admin@urbanoutreach.co.uk](mailto:admin@urbanoutreach.co.uk) or calling 01204 385848 and let us know which sessions you will be attending.

The Food Hub Unit 4 (formally Office Outlet), Trinity Retail Park, Springfield, Bolton, BL2 1HY.

Working alongside churches, businesses and community groups to ensure no child goes hungry this summer.

**Midweek Service at St. Peter's:** Thanks to all of you who have been in touch with such positive feedback about the idea of a midweek service. There will be a meeting on **Wednesday 26th July at 11am at the vicarage** for those interested in planning for, at this stage, a day time service. Do come along if you feel you can help and commit to this new venture. We will be sharing our thoughts and ideas as to how the service might work and how we can best meet the needs of those who might attend. We hope to get going with this in the next couple of months. Do join us! Liz Nicholls ([Liznicholls@gmail.com](mailto:Liznicholls@gmail.com))

**Parish Bake Sale:** Taking place after all the services across the parish **NEXT Sunday (23rd)**. Raising funds to take our young people to DTI (Dreaming the Impossible Christian youth festival) this summer. Your donations will be very much appreciated. Thank you in advance for your support.

