Prayer By Hilary Peake on behalf of St. Peter's Church

Autumn Changes and Thanksgiving

Take a moment from the rush and look around through a window; on a car journey or a walk. In the town, countryside or by the sea.

God's bounty is everywhere. Trees full of plums, apples, pears, blackberries and nuts. Plenty for us and creatures to enjoy.

Colours changing every day, pale blue skies and inky starry nights. Frost and mists. Swirling leaves dancing in the wind. Conkers and spinning jennies. Reds, yellows, greens on trees. Let your senses enjoy and give thanks.

Harvest is a time to celebrate and share.

We are thankful.

We remember those who have little or are struggling to provide. Those caught up in war, facing floods and disasters, drought and disease. Father God there is enough for everyone, help us to share. Use what we give to change the lives of others. Change those in power to give generously. Change hearts and minds of our world leaders that they would work together for good.

Thank you Father God for Harvest time, for half term holidays, for family and friends. For Autumn time.

AMEN



Please pray for: Enid Kettle *E-mail* office@stpetersparish.info if you want your name to appear on this list as consent must be given by the individual concerned.

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Transforming Bolton together in Jesus' name

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 23rd October 2022



<u>Church Live! - Livestreaming of services:</u> You are invited to join us for our service at 10.30am each Sunday on Facebook and YouTube. Click on 'Church Live' at https://www.stpetersparish.info to go straight to the service. Subscribe to https://www.youtube.com/StPetersHalliwell

<u>Parish-wide services today</u>: Everybody welcome.

St. Peter's Church: 8.30am Service of the Word **10.30am** Our all-age livestreamed service, here is the link: https://youtu.be/qldUPGsfs34. We continue with Part 3 of our sermon series looking at a brief overview of the bible; **6.30pm** Worship and teaching. We continue our sermon series on the Beatitudes, focussing on 'Blessed are the Merciful' - Matt 5:7 and Matt 18:21-35.

Our sister churches: 10am Smithills Fellowship (please stay for coffee, tea and pastries afterwards to meet/catch up with Rev. Alan and Ruth); **10.30am** Barrow Bridge (Communion); **10.30am** St. Andrew's.

Harvest collection in St. Peter's Church TODAY: Please bring to the service



tinned items or dried goods (no fresh food, sorry) which will be passed on to Urban Outreach for distribution to those in need across our town. *Thank you for your support*.

<u>Service of Hope and Remembrance</u>: An opportunity to remember our loved ones who have died takes place at **2pm on Sunday 6th November in St. Peter's Church.** A time for quiet prayer, worship and a simple act of remembrance followed by refreshments. *Everybody welcome*.

Baptisms by Immersion: We praise God and give thanks for **Tony Godfrey, Carol Hodgkiss, Rachel McEwan and Shirley Neal** who re-affirmed their baptism vows in St. Peter's Church last Sunday evening—it was a wonderful celebration. Please keep them all in your prayers at this exciting time in their faith journeys.

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

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

As it is half-term this week, most activities are taking a pause.

Monday 24th: 10.30am Strength and Balance class (FULL). To go on the waiting list, contact 599900/amanda@stpetersparish.info

<u>Friday 28th:</u> 10.30am Friday Life. All welcome. Contact <u>denis.collier@gmail.com;</u> 8pm Stressbusters. All welcome. Contact Geoff Barlow on 561760 / 07835 388732;

<u>Saturday 29th</u>: 10am-12noon Good News for Romania coffee morning/bring and buy sale (*see opposite*).

<u>Light Party—An Alternative to Halloween</u>: Celebrating Jesus, the Light that



Shines Differently, this is for primary school aged children and will take place NEXT Monday (31st) from 6pm - 7:30pm at the Parish Centre. There will be activities, light food/drink, and a disco to finish the evening off all with a neon theme so dress in white or neon colours. To book your child a place, please contact Ben Latham on 07512753201/lighthouse@stpetersparish.info

<u>Out and About Walk</u>: The next walk takes place on <u>Saturday 5th November</u>. This will be a circle over Turton, 6 miles and easy. Please remember to bring drinks and a packed lunch, also waterproof clothing and strong footwear. Meet outside St. Peter's Church to leave for 9am. For more details, contact Brian Johnson on 843746. *Everybody welcome*.

<u>Save the date! Do Lunch Do Life</u>: Our next lunch will take place in St. Peter's Church on CAP Sunday - **20th November** - following the 10.30am service. Any offers of cake to Sam please—<u>samwolstencroft@capuk.org</u>. Thank you.



<u>'Powerful Praise' event in St. Peter's Church:</u> Rob and Sue Wilding are leading



a Sing Day from **10am-5pm on Saturday 5th November.** Learn a variety of worship songs and explore how they can be used to make our praise times more powerful. To book, email robandsue@stpetersparish.info. No singing experience necessary.

Lydia Perris: Lydia is now based in Exeter and will be attending the International Climate Summit, COP27, in Egypt from **11th-19th November** as part of the Christian Climate Observer Program. Please do pray for her before, during and after this trip.

<u>Derek Nightingale:</u> We are sorry to inform you that Derek has died. Derek was the caretaker for St. Peter's many years ago and worshipped at St. Andrew's (Hope Centre). His funeral will take place at St. Andrew's on **Thursday 3rd November at 1pm** followed by committal at Overdale Crematorium. Please keep all Derek's family and friends in your prayers at this difficult time.

<u>Good News for Romania</u>: Everyone is warmly invited to the Good News for Romania coffee morning/bring and buy sale in **St. Peter's Parish Centre THIS coming Saturday (29th) from 10am-12noon** to raise funds to take to Romania in November.



Bonfire for the Parish: This will take place in the car park at St. Peter's Church FOR THIS YEAR ONLY. Fewer tickets are available than usual due to space limitations and will be sold on a first come, first served basis. Tickets can be purchased from Barrow Bridge Mission or the Parish Office on 599900 / office@stpetersparish.info.



Eco Holy Communion and Commissioning service: This **Wednesday (26th) at 7pm,** our Mission Community (Bolton Central) will have a themed celebration of ecology and creation at St. Luke's Halliwell (254 Chorley Old Road) during which Ronald Berry will be commissioned Ecology and Creation ALM. *All welcome so please do go along if you can.*



Quinta Fundraising:

Thanks to everyone who supported the first two Quinta Fundraisers - we have raised £830 so far. The next event is destined to be the social event of the year: 'A taste of Italy'! Limited tickets so get yours ASAP.