Prayer By Sam Wolstencroft, CAP Centre Manager

Psalm 140:12 'I know that the Lord will maintain the cause of the afflicted and justice for the poor'.

Lord Jesus, we lift your name high. You are powerful. You are good. You are above all others. There is no mountain too high that you can't climb, no situation too complex that you can't break through and transform lives.

Nearly half of children in families with just one parent live in poverty. We lift up to you lone parents and ask you, Heavenly Father, to intervene in the challenges they're facing. We pray for local children's centres, churches and other organisations that provide vital support to parents, and for the challenges they themselves may be facing, such as a lack of funding or staff.

We especially pray for those families with three or more children, many affected by the benefits cap and the two-child limit. We pray today that MPs would have compassion and empathy when reviewing policies and making decisions, taking into account the impact on real people's lives.

God of restoration, we thank and praise you for every person who is no longer trapped in debt and poverty and now living with hope. Thank you that you are the restorer of all things, and through you radical transformation becomes possible. We give you all the glory and all the praise. 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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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 3rd July 2022



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

Parish-wide services today: Everybody welcome.

St. Peter's Church: 10.30am Our livestreamed service, here is the link: https://youtu.be/MS6ngZPvhZs. Today is World Focus Sunday. At both the 10.30am and 6.30pm services, Dr Susanna from Poland, a Release International



partner, will be speaking about the persecution of Christians in the West African country of Burkina Faso and how people are learning to lean on God in violent and terrifying circumstances. Collections at these services will go to support persecuted Christians. 6.30pm See above.

Our sister churches: 10am Smithills Fellowship, 10.30am Barrow Bridge and 10.30am St. Andrew's (Communion).



Lighthouse (ages 4-13) takes place in St. Peter's Parish Centre from 10.20am - 11.45am TODAY. For info, contact Ben Latham - 07512 753201/lighthouse@stpetersparish.info.

Café on the Green: The next café will take place in St. Peter's Primary School NEXT Saturday (9th) from 9.30am - 2pm. All welcome so come and join us for delicious food and good company. Proceeds to Operation Smile.



Parish-wide PrayerZone - worship. pray. seek: We hope you can join us for our next session at 8pm on Monday 11th July in Prayer the Parish Centre. This will be a dynamic hour of worship, prayer and seeking God. Everybody welcome. Pop the date in your diary.



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

Monday 4th: 10am-12noon The Coffee Room. This cafe is open to everyone, offering delicious home made cakes, tea and filter coffees; 10.30am Strength and Balance class. To book, contact 599900/amanda@stpetersparish.info.

1.30pm-3.30pm Art Group. Critique session. Contact ruthrobinson293@gmail.com

<u>Tuesday 5th:</u> **10am-11.30am Little Wiggles.** All parents and carers welcome at this group for babies and toddlers. No need to book, just turn up!

<u>Wednesday 6th:</u> **10am-11am Open Door.** Prayer meeting. All ladies welcome. For details, contact Sandra Lewis on 846490; **8pm-9.30pm Alpha.**

<u>Thursday 7th:</u> **10**am Aerobics. All welcome. Contact Paula for details on 07913 408141; **1pm-2.45pm The Well Toddler Group.** For details, contact <u>janeheath@heathnet.plus.com</u> / 07472 926650.

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

<u>Saturday 9th:</u> 9am-12noon (age-related sessions) INTERACT School of **Performing Arts.** For more details, contact Emma or Lucy on 07896 724531

Youth update from Kristen, Youth Minister:

Church, we need your help!: We have 10 young people we are taking to DTI this summer and have already raised £1000! Can you please help us get to £1500 towards additional costs? To give a one off donation, see https://gofund.me/49af99d0. Or you can attend one of these fundraising events:



<u>Parish Bake Sale:</u> **NEXT Sunday (10th)** after all of our church services. Please bring cash to donate, thank you!

<u>DTI Fundraiser Weekend:</u> On Saturday 16th July we are doing a Car Wash outside St. Peters Church from 10am-12pm. On Sunday 17th July we have a buy-a-butty event at St. Peters Parish Centre, 12noon-2pm. Come and buy a bacon or sausage butty (veggie options available) and enjoy time together as a church family whilst raising money for a good cause! Thank you in advance for your support.

IRONMAN taking place in Bolton this weekend: Please note, road closures and diversions may delay you getting to our church services this morning **(3rd)** so you might want to set off a bit earlier to get there in good time.



R Place Celebration: Have you been involved in R Place at St. Andrews over the last 15 years? Have you enjoyed lunch or fellowship at R Place? *If yes, then you are invited to our closing celebration of 'all things R Place'*. A special buffet lunch to celebrate a special place will take place on Tuesday 19th July from 12.30pm-2.30pm (doors open at 12noon). No need to book. If you have any further questions, please contact Julie on 07835014470.



ACTS 435: Our CAP Centre Manager, Sam, says 'Please join the Acts 435 database to help members of our community and CAP clients in times of urgent need. We use this email to ask for second hand clothing/items. Email acts435@stpetersparish.info to join. Thanks.'





TOTS Parent and Toddler Group at St. Andrew's (Hope Centre):

Meets on **Tuesdays from 9.45am-11.30am** (term-time only). For details and more info, please contact Julie Walsh on 07835 014470.