



Welcome to St. Peter's
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PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK:

We pray for;

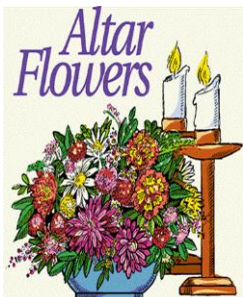
All schools and colleges

Our Churchwardens, Sarah & Gill

For the residents of; Massams Lane, Green Lane, The Paddock

For the sick; Barbara, Betty, Colin, Kate, Malcolm, Margaret, Trevor those in hospital and our parishioners who are housebound or living in Care Homes

For the recently departed; Helen Atherton, Heather Behets, Jenny Gaskin and those whose anniversary of death falls at this time remembering especially Robina Winsby.



Altar flowers are sponsored by Pat Smith in loving memory of her mother, Robina Winsby

Parish of St Peter, Formby
The 1st Sunday of Christmas
Naming & Circumcision of Jesus
1st January 2023

Service for Today:

10.00am Parish Eucharist

This service will be live streamed

Prelude: Bach *In dir ist freude*

Gathering

59 Angels from the realms of glory

Gradual

76 Love came down at Christmas

Offertory

593 omit vs 2,4&6 At the name of Jesus

Motet: Rutter *Sans Day Carol*

Britten *New Year Carol*

Post Communion

65 Good Christians all rejoice

Organ: Vierne *Final, Symphonie 1*

No Evening Service



December/January Parish Magazines are available.
Children's Puzzle Sheets, books and activity bags are available
– please help yourself or ask the welcome team for help.

The Collect;

Almighty God, who wonderfully created us in your own image and yet more wonderfully restored us through your Son Jesus Christ: grant that, as he came to share in our humanity, so we may share the life of his divinity; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Epistle Reading; Galatians 4:4-7

Our reading today is read by;

David Holroyd

But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, 'Abba! Father!' So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

Gospel Reading; Luke 2:15-21

David Poole

When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, 'Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us.' So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

After eight days had passed, it was time to circumcise the child; and he was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

Intercessions;

Fred Nye

Post Communion Prayer

Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son shared at Nazareth the life of an earthly home: help your Church to live as one family, united in love and obedience, and bring us all at last to our home in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Donations via Card Machine, Yellow Envelopes or on the Plate

For card payments, a contactless card-reader is situated near the main door.

For cash donations, there is a plate near the main door.



If you are a taxpayer, please use a yellow envelope and complete the Gift Aid declaration. (This increases the value of your donation by 25%). Thank you for your gifts.

DIARY FOR THIS WEEK

Monday 2nd January

9.00am Morning Prayer Bier House

Tuesday 3rd

9.00am Morning Prayer Bier House

No Bible Study today

Bier House

11.00am Funeral of Jennifer Gaskin

Church

11.00am Woodlands Care Home Eucharist

Woodlands

2.00pm Funeral of Heather Behets

Church

Wednesday 4th

11.00am Eucharist with Mothers' Union *followed by refreshments* Church

2.00pm Funeral of Helen Atherton Church

Thursday 5th

9.00am Morning Prayer Bier House

Friday 6th

9.15am Little Fishes *for pre-school children*



Church Hall

Saturday 7th

9.00am Breakfast Church

Bier House

10.00am Saturday Crew *all things crafty*

Bier House

Sunday 8th

Epiphany

8.30am Eucharist (CW) Church

10.00am Parish Eucharist & Sunday Club *followed by refreshments* Church

6.30pm Choral Evensong - *Baptism of Christ* Church

Bacon Barms and Banter Join us for Bacon Barms and Banter, on the 1st Monday of the month, (except bank holidays) in the Bier House 10.30-12 noon. Vegetarian option available, free event, supported by Abbeyfield Neighbourhood Project. Everyone Welcome especially carers and their loved ones.

Daily Bible Readings - Have you thought about daily Bible reading? If you are interested, please see Marilyn Siddons-Smith (01704 576164) for information about regular Bible reading and BRF's Bible reading notes.

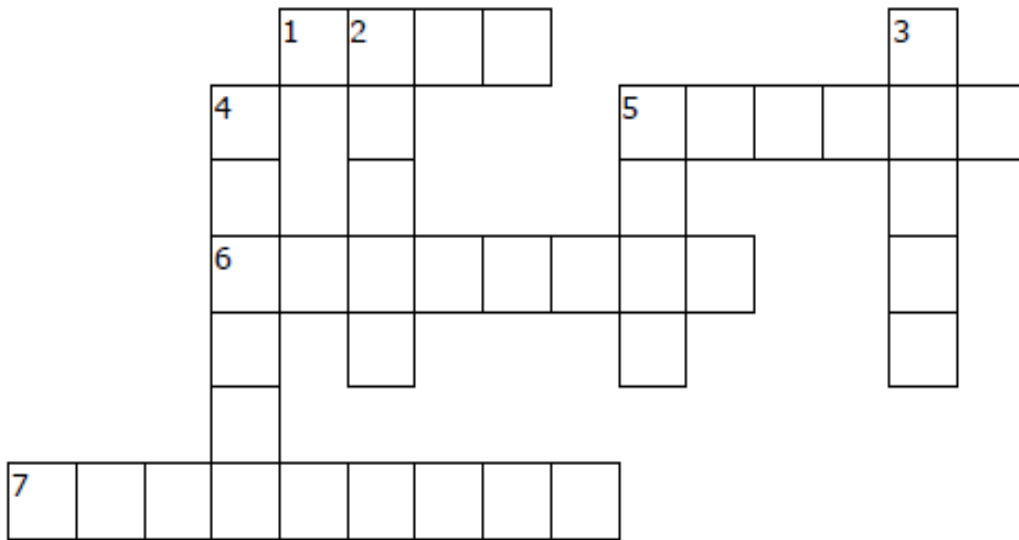
THE FOODBANK The Church Porch is open everyday from 10am to 4pm for donations. The items particularly needed are: tinned ham & corned beef, jam & preserves, savoury crackers, cordial & longlife juice. Dietary needs items e.g. gluten free and vegan. Toiletries e.g. shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, razors, nappies size 4+. Pet food.

A message from The Southport Food Bank –

Christmas greetings to our "friends" at St. Peter's. Thank you for your support for the Foodbank over the year and we look forward to working together in the New Year. That support has also included financial support. To minimise bank charges we ask that future cheques are made payable to "Compassion Acts" which is the umbrella organisation running various activities for those in need or please use our website. Many thanks

Baptism Service Collection The collection given at the Baptism Services at 12noon (held about once a month) is shared with a children's charity each year. In 2022 the amount given was £935.46 and £467.73 was donated to Sefton Young Carers.

Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

1. An infant or very young child
5. The place where Mary laid the baby Jesus
6. A person who takes care of sheep
7. The city where Jesus was born

DOWN

2. Heavenly being that told the shepherds about Jesus' birth
3. The savior of the world
4. The earthly father of Jesus
5. The mother of Jesus

JOSEPH	ANGEL	BETHLEHEM	BABY
MARY	SHEPHERD	JESUS	MANGER

