



Welcome to St. Peter's Green Lane, Formby L37 7DL

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PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK:

We pray for:

The clergy and people of Liverpool Diocese.

For the residents of: Grange Lane,
Freshfield Road, St George's Road

For the sick; Alan, Eva Rose, Harvie, Joan,
Mabel, Margaret, Matthew, Mike, Nigel, baby
Theo, Vivienne and those in hospital and our
parishioners who are housebound or living in
Care Homes.

For the recently departed; John Ryan,
Margaret Riddoch, Raymond Lee,
Joyce Hurley, Pat McCulloch, Kathleen
Humphreys and those whose anniversary of
death falls at this time, remembering
especially Sheena Hastie.



Altar flowers are
sponsored by
Mike Hastie in loving
memory of his wife
Sheena



Please ask for a
children's puzzle
sheet or help yourself
to children's books
and toys.

Parish of St Peter, Formby Candlemas

2nd February 2025

Services for Today

8.30am Eucharist (BCP)

10am Parish Eucharist

This service will be live streamed

Prelude:

Yon Pastoral 'Gesù Bambino'

Gathering

113 omit (vs 7 to 11)

When candles are lighted on Candlemas Day

Gradual

396 Faithful vigil ended

Offertory

665 I am the light whose brightness shines

Motets: Lole *A song of light*

Eccard *When to the temple Mary went*

Post Communion

112 New light has dawned

Organ: Ireland *The Holy Boy*

12.00 noon Hot Dog Service

6.30pm A Service for Candlemas The Service of Light

This service will be live streamed

All Hymns and Readings in the Service Sheet

Prelude:

Bach *Mit Fried' und Freud' ich fahr'dahin*

Readers: Gill Warr, Beverly Smith & Ros Philpot

Organ: Bach *In dir ist Freude*

Gluten free wafers are available please
let the Vicar know.
Due to printing issues the February
magazine is only available online until the
problem is resolved.

The Collect

Almighty and ever-living God, clothed in majesty, whose beloved Son was this day presented in the Temple, in substance of our flesh: grant that we may be presented to you with pure and clean hearts, by your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word

Epistle Reading – Hebrews 2:14-18

Our reading today is read by;

Claire Hocking

Since, therefore, the children share flesh and blood, he himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

Gospel Reading - Luke 2:22-40

Keith Millington

All: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Choir: This child is the light to enlighten the nations; and the glory of your people Israel.

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When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the law of the Lord, 'Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord'), and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, 'a pair of turtle-doves or two young pigeons.' Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying, 'Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel.' And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul

too.' There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband for seven years after her marriage, then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshipped there with fasting and prayer night and day. At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem. When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him.

Intercessions

Rev Beverley Smith

Post Communion Prayer

Lord, you fulfilled the hope of Simeon and Anna, who lived to welcome the Messiah may we, who have received these gifts beyond words, prepare to meet Christ Jesus when he comes to bring us to eternal life; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE FOODBANK – Items Urgently Needed

The Church Porch is open everyday from 10am to 4pm for donations. The items particularly needed are: Savoury crackers, Pasta sauce, Tinned meat e.g. corned beef, ham, Tinned fruit, Tinned tomatoes, Instant noodles, Tomato sauce, brown sauce, mayo, Longlife juice and cordial, UHT milk, 'Free from' items, Jam. **Many thanks for your donations.**

Are you a UK Taxpayer? Do you make Cash Donations to St. Peter's?

If you answered Yes to both of these questions, you can help increase your donation by 25% by placing your donation in a Yellow Envelope and completing the form on the front, allowing us to claim Gift Aid on your donation. Alternatively, we have a card-reader at the back of Church or feel free to scan the QR Code on your phone to make a donation. Both of these methods have the option to Gift Aid your donation.



TIMEOUT For those interested in buying a copy of Professor Ray Donnelly's book following his talk last Monday night, please see Glyn Jones in Church today. Many thanks Glyn Jones.

IF YOU ARE NEW TO THE PARISH WE WARMLY WELCOME YOU.

If you would like our magazine delivered, or have recently moved to the parish, changed your address, or if you would like to be added to the email list will you please hand this slip to the Vicar or Churchwardens. Thank You.

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DIARY FOR THIS WEEK

Monday 3rd February

9.00am Morning Prayer
 10.30am Bacon, Barms and Banter
 12noon Funeral of Pat McCulloch



Bier House
 Bier House
 Church

Tuesday 4th

9.00am Morning Prayer
 10.00am Bible Study with Ken Ward
 11.00am Woodlands Eucharist
 11.30am Funeral of Canon Raymond Lee
 4.30pm Junior Choir Rehearsal

Bier House
 40 Southport Road
 Woodlands CH
 Church
 Song Room

Wednesday 5th

11.00am Eucharist followed by refreshments
 2.00pm W.O.W pre-school children service

Church
 Church

Thursday 6th

9.00am Morning Prayer
 12.45pm Funeral of Joyce Hurley
 2.00pm Mothers' Union Meeting

Bier House
 Thornton Crematorium
 Bier House

Friday 7th

9.00am Morning Prayer
 9.30am Little Fishes Pre-school Group

Bier House
 Parish Hall

Saturday 8th

9.00am Morning Prayer



Bier House

Sunday 9th 4th Sunday before Lent

8.30am Eucharist (CW)
 10.00am Parish Eucharist & Sunday Club
 6.30pm Choral Evensong

Church
 Church
 Church

Tuesday 18th

10.30am Funeral of Margaret Riddoch

Thornton Crematorium

Friday 21st

1.00pm Funeral of John Ryan

Church



Saturday 22nd February 2025
7.30pm start
Parish Quiz Night



Quiz by John Nelson
in St Peter's Parish Hall,
Paradise Lane, L37 7EH
Ticket price £7.50
 (Adults only)







Bar available, bring your own nibbles.
 Don't have to be in a team, just turn up!
 There will be a raffle.



Tickets available from the Social Committee
 and the Parish Office
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