

Attendance and Collection

4th June, Attendance 70 Collection £148

11th June, Attendance 142 Collection £313.70

Special Collection next week - Peter's Pence

Hill Chapel Library

We have a box at the back of church with a variety of religious books belonging to parishioners which other people may like to read. If you would like to borrow any of the books or add some books of your own for other members of our parish to use - you are more than welcome. Please do fill in the form when taking and returning the books. Many thanks.

Parishioners Who are Unwell

If you would like the parish to pray for someone, please notify Father Sony on 01772 865229 for inclusion in the Bidding Prayers or newsletter. We also have an area in Church where you can write a prayer intention on a card and hang up if you prefer.

Cycle of Prayer

Human Work especially on the Day of Life, third Sunday in June
Those who Suffer Persecution, Oppression and denial of Human Rights especially on St. John Fisher & St. Thomas More

Feast Days

Thurs - ST.PETER & PAUL – Holy Day of Obligation

Fri – The first Martyrs of the See of Rome

School Diary Dates

Wednesday, 12 th July	Pirates of the Curry Bean – in school – 2pm / 6pm
Friday, 14 th July	Music Showcase at Claughton - 1.30pm
Monday, 17 th July	Pre-School Leavers Assembly in school
Thursday, 20 th July	Leavers Mass at 10.30 am in Church



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12th Sunday in Ordinary Time 25th June - Readings - Year A

Parish Mission Statement

Our Parish, guided by the example of our patron St Francis of Assisi, seeks to be a welcoming Catholic Community by living, sharing and growing in faith. We strive to deepen our own relationship with Christ and meet the needs of others.

Today's Mass Intention is for the People of the Parish

We pray for all who are unwell in our parish especially
Lawrence Ibison, Monica Gornall, Shirley Walker,
Constance Mary Barber, Birdie Platt and Magi Clabrough.

We remember those whose anniversaries occur at this time especially
John Bennet & Florence Hildred

St Peter and Paul's Feast Day – Thursday 29th June, Mass – 10.30am.

There will be no Tuesday mass..
Tea and Coffee are served at the back of church after Sunday Mass

Gardening News

As we approach Summer the gardens at Hill Chapel really do look beautiful. Grateful thanks to the gardening team for all their hard work and effort. Maintaining the church grounds is a big task and we are always on the look out for more volunteers. If you feel you would be able to help - do contact Frank or Margaret Ashton.
We do all work together, supporting, planting and planning. We are always open to new suggestions so if you have any thoughts or offers of help - please do share those with us - we would love to hear from you.

Many Thanks
The Gardening Team

Wide – Eyed Wonder

Loving Lord,
I once asked an old man to tell me something about prayer.
He just looked and me smiling and said:
'You pray by just opening your eyes',

Loving Lord,
Praying is such an easy gift.
As simple as breathing,
As simple as opening our eyes.
Learning how to stop and look, learning how to gaze in wonderment and awe
at the people-gifts around us,
at the grandeur of creation around us.
No need for long courses:
Just a willingness to go about my being and doing each day
with a growing ability for wide-eyed wonder, with the eyes of a five-year old.

Loving Lord,
Each one of us so much needs that gift and ability
to notice others around us.
Whatever our age or state or condition in life
it's as easy as opening our eyes.
Seeing the utter worth, dignity and unique grandeur
of our sisters and brothers, in our own homes, down our own streets,
in our work places, in hospitals, in shops, in offices, at play,
in all whose lives we're privileged to be able to touch just by looking at them.

Loving Lord,
To look with reverence and dignity at another human being
confers grace and status,
Teach us to look from the inside out
so that something of the permanent look of love
you have for each one of us
is reflected in our own gaze at others.

Loving Lord,
It's pretty easy to see the link between praying and living.
If we really and truly believe in your presence
in each one we meet and greet each day,
then that clarity of vision is key and integrated our whole being
into a living bouquet of prayer.
When we really look, that means not just lips but lives are touched.
For our speech, our attitude, our relating,
is totally affected by the way we look.
Our looking is our basic way of touching one another.
Just as our loving Lord touches each one of us by his loving gaze,
so our every look becomes prayer
if we choose to look in a way that brings the best of our humanness to birth
each moment of each day.

Loving Lord,
Teach us not to waste our power of looking.
Teach us to make our praying and living one.

From Loving Lord – Moments by Denis Blackledge SJ

Stonyhurst College Open Days

This summer's *museum and library open days at Stonyhurst college are now available for booking on the Stonyhurst website:*

<https://www.stonyhurst.ac.uk/about-us/stonyhurst-college-historic-collections/exhibitions/a-summer-of-shakespeare>