

# PETERPOST

Parish of St. Peter and the Winchester Martyrs

Alresford • Stockbridge • Winchester

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29<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

TAKING STEPS TO GROW IN PRAYER

*Fr Mark writes ...*

## *Staying Power II: Practice Prayer*

This is the second week of a series we are calling **Staying Power**. This is a series about how to grow in your faith as a follower of Jesus Christ, and to *keep growing* in your faith, and some of the STEPS we need to take.

We've identified *five commitments* that we believe are essential for people to grow as a follower of Christ. Rather handily, they form the acronym STEPS:

- ✘ Serving others
- ✘ Trusting God with our time, talents and treasure
- ✘ Engaging in a small or medium sized group
- ✘ Prayer and Sacraments
- ✘ Sharing your Faith

This weekend, we're looking at prayer and, as Catholics, we would add the celebration of the sacraments, because the sacraments are a form of prayer, and, when it comes to the Eucharist, the source and summit of our prayer.

If you want to grow spiritually and as a follower of Jesus Christ, you want to pray.

Prayer is both a conversation and an encounter with God in which we tune our hearts to him. *It takes practice* to pray. Praying, while very simple, is not always easy. Just like you have to practise if you want to improve in any skill or play any sport, so you have to practise prayer. At least, if you want to be able to tune into God's heart and recognise the voice of Jesus, the Good Shepherd, as distinct from all the other voices we hear clamouring for our attention. Sometimes prayer just requires incredible patience and waiting as we try to work out what we really want to ask for and what God is wanting to give us or ask us to do.

Much of the Bible is simply the prayer and the recounting of the prayer life of the saints and heroes of our faith. They have conversations in which they

- ✘ argue with God, beg his assistance
- ✘ demand direction, clarification, courage, comfort
- ✘ seek wisdom and understanding, or peace and a sense of purpose.

That same kind of relationship with God is available to each of us.

The message is that some very flawed and fallible people, who were just as normal and messed up as we are, were able to talk to God and encountered him in prayer, in a way that was always entirely useful and helpful and sometimes transformational. They are there to inspire us to make prayer a part of our lives.

Those "extraordinary" moments of prayer moments often happen, however, precisely because someone is consistent and faithful in ordinary, everyday prayer.

Our second reading this weekend is from Paul's First letter to the Thessalonians, which begins with some practical steps to take regarding the practice of prayer. Paul describes the way he has been praying for the Thessalonians.

*We always mention you in our prayers and thank God for you all, and constantly remember before God our Father how you have shown your faith in action, worked for love and persevered through hope, in our Lord Jesus Christ.*

Often we don't pray because we don't know what to pray or what to say. Part of Paul's prayer was simply talking about his day. He brought his daily experiences before God, giving thanks.

One easy way to pray is simply to review your day at the end of the day. Thank God for all the things that went well. Acknowledge regret for wandering off the path, and mistakes. Pray about what's on your mind, or in your heart. What blessings are you receiving, even in this pandemic? What obstacles are on your path?

Also, the more specific your prayer is, the more dynamic and real it will be. If you read the stories of the Bible or about saints of the Church, they often prayed about their lives with bluntness, even complaint: You can complain in prayer!

- ✘ St. Theresa of Avila once famously complained during a difficult period: *"If this is how you treat your friends, no wonder you have so few of them."*

Paul continues,

*We know, brothers and sisters, that God loves you and that you have been chosen.*

Prayer is a response to a relationship that God, a Father who loves us dearly, has initiated with us. But to grow in the relationship, we must be open to it and we must respond. That's the *practice* part.

But, Paul tells us:

*when we brought the Good News to you, it came to you not only as words, but as power and as the Holy Spirit.*

Prayer is a response to that relationship, and, like any relationship it goes two ways. We don't just pray on our own but *in power and in the Holy Spirit*. The Holy Spirit is a helper and guide whenever we even decide to try to pray.

Paul ends this letter to the community in Thessalonica by encouraging them:

*Always be joyful; pray constantly; and for all things give thanks.*

If you don't pray regularly, and don't really know where to start, here are a few suggestions:

- ✘ Try out the "Pray as You Go" website or app – [www.pray-as-you-go.org](http://www.pray-as-you-go.org) and try out the daily prayer reflections or one of the prayer tools like an examen (they have versions for children and families too);
- ✘ Try some Catholic devotions such as the Rosary or the Stations of the Cross or the Angelus or the Divine Mercy – [www.liturgyoffice.org.uk/Prayer/Traditional](http://www.liturgyoffice.org.uk/Prayer/Traditional)
- ✘ Try and slowly read the Scripture Readings from the forthcoming Sunday and ask the Holy Spirit to show you what God wants to say to you through this passage;
- ✘ Try and pray the Liturgy of the Hours (especially Morning Prayer, Evening Prayer and Night Prayer) using the Universalis website or app – [www.universalis.com](http://www.universalis.com) – either on your own or joining us in St. Peter's or online.

God wants to have a personal relationship with you. He wants you always to be joyful and always to be thankful. And it all begins in prayer: faithful, persistent, everyday prayer.

*Always be joyful; pray constantly; and for all things give thanks. (1 Thessalonians 5.16)*

**Welcome.....** If this is your first time with us, or first time reading the newsletter, then you are particularly welcome. Please get in touch - we'd love to tell you about everything that's going on here, and invite you to join us. Just to start you off, elsewhere in the newsletter you will find our services, our virtual church timetable, and an invitation to Alpha. Look on the website <https://www.catholicwinchester.org.uk/> or email [office@stpeterswinchester.org.uk](mailto:office@stpeterswinchester.org.uk) . If you are a student, we'd love to link up with you. We have a facebook page for young people which is a great place to start: [www.facebook.com/groups/3316441145103881/](https://www.facebook.com/groups/3316441145103881/)

#### **Re-Opening Churches and the Pastoral Centre**

We are delighted that Sunday masses have now resumed in all the churches. St Peter's Pastoral Centre is still closed.

- **St. Gregory's, Alresford** There is now a regular 11am Mass on Sundays. (PLEASE BOOK via our website or by phoning the office). There will be weekday masses when Bishop Peter is available (no booking required) – next week, they will be on Tuesday & Friday.
- **St. Stephen's, Winchester** There is now a regular Mass on Sundays @ 9.15am. Booking is required.
- **St Thomas More, Stockbridge:** There is now a regular Mass on Sundays at 9.00am. Booking for Mass is essential as St Thomas More church can only accommodate 28 parishioners. To book telephone 01264 861397 and leave a message including your phone number and we will get back to you. Or email [christoesrus@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:christoesrus@hotmail.co.uk)

***We look forward to welcoming you back!***

 **THE PARISH  
OF ST PETER  
& THE WINCHESTER MARTYRS**

Would you like us  
to pray for you or  
for someone you  
know?

Please let us know by  
emailing



[prayers@stpeterswinchester.org.uk](mailto:prayers@stpeterswinchester.org.uk)

**Staying connected: Hello Calling** Fr Mark wants to make sure we keep connected as a Parish, and to this end a team of parishioners will be calling round to people to pass on his good wishes and to try to make sure our contact details are up-to-date. Being able to reach out to each other has been even more vital in the time of the pandemic, so we hope everyone will understand and be happy to take the call. Of course you should always be careful on the phone – no-one from the Parish will be asking you anything sensitive. If you have any questions or issues contact the Parish Office: **01962 852804** or email [office@stpeterswinchester.org.uk](mailto:office@stpeterswinchester.org.uk)

**As part of the Hello calling project, Piers Armstrong connected with Lulu Rodriguez, who sent this reply:**

Dear Piers Armstrong:

Just to let you know I'm not living in Winchester anymore. I used to live there five years ago, because I was working for the British Council at Peter Symonds College as Spanish assistant. The scholarship finished and now I'm at home, in México again...But for sure I remember my friends for the church: Liza Nahajski, Imelda Weingart, Lizbeth Slinn, Anny, Sister Gigi, Miriam, Claire and Tom... I was part of the Bible course and the group for young people too... They were very kind with me all the time!! Thank you so much for your email, you make me think of all the good memories I lived there! Hope all the people from the Parish are well!!

Let's keep praying!

Hugs from México!

Lulú Rodríguez

**-----It's amazing the lengths our great volunteer team are going to in order to check in with our parish family!**

**LIVESTREAMING** – we hope there have been fewer glitches lately, and we are on the alert. We know how disappointing it is to turn on and find no service – if that happens, you could try to watch a service from another day – you can find the recordings here.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCbGgrcbDyLY75pmCAopfLIg/videos>



Date	Mass Times & Intentions	Livestream/Public
<b>SATURDAY – October 17th</b> <i>St Ignatius of Antioch (mem.)</i>	No 9.00AM mass	
	5.30PM Henry James RIP	Public & Livestream (booking required)
<b>SUNDAY – October 18th</b> <i>TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</i>	08.00AM Margaret Merryman RIP	Public & Livestream (booking required)
	09.00AM St Thomas More	Public (booking required)
	09.15AM St. Stephens	Public (booking required)
	10.00AM People of the Parish	Livestream only
	11.00AM St Gregory's	Public (booking required)
	12:00 Noon Peter Louth and Benefactors	Public & Livestream (booking required)
	5:30PM James and Alice Talbot RIP	Public & Livestream (booking required)
<b>MONDAY – October 19th</b> <i>Ss John de Brébeuf, Isaac Jogues &amp; Companions or St Paul of the Cross</i>	12:15PM Margaret Guppy RIP	Public & Livestream
	7:00PM	Public & Livestream
<b>TUESDAY – October 20th</b> Feria	10:00AM Dead and Founders	Public & Livestream
	10:00AM St Gregory's	Public
	7:00PM	Public & Livestream
<b>WEDNESDAY – October 21st</b> Feria	10:00AM Gillian Barry	Public & Livestream
	7:00PM	Public & Livestream
<b>THURSDAY – October 22nd</b> <i>St John Paul II (opt. mem.) or Feria</i>	10:00AM Catholic Women's League	Public & Livestream
	7:00PM Noel McNicholas RIP	Public & Livestream
<b>FRIDAY – October 23rd</b> <i>St John of Capestrano (opt. mem.) or Feria</i>	10:00AM St Gregory's	Public
	12.15PM Intentions of Neil Family	Public & Livestream
	7:00PM	Public & Livestream
<b>SATURDAY – October 24th</b> <i>St Anthony Claret or Our Lady on Saturday or Feria</i>	9:00 AM All Souls in Purgatory RIP	Public
	5:30PM Justine Power RIP	Public & Livestream (booking required)
<b>SUNDAY – October 25th</b> <i>THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</i>	08.00AM Christine Ketley	Public & Livestream (booking required)
	09.00AM St Thomas More	Public (booking required)
	09.15AM St Stephens	Public (booking required)
	10:00AM	Livestream only
	11:00AM St Gregory's	Public (booking required)
	12 NOON Julia Cove RIP	Public & Livestream (booking required)
	5:30PM People of the Parish	Public & Livestream (booking required)
<b>All at St Peter's church except where stated</b> <b>Morning Prayer &amp; Adoration 8am (every weekday - public &amp; livestream)</b> <b>Please see altered times for this week only: Sat 17th: no 9am mass, no adoration, and no morning confessions – back to normal on the 24th</b>		<b>Night Prayer 9pm (every day – livestream only)</b> <b>Reconciliation/ Confession – Saturday morning, 11-12 (not 17th), afternoon 4.30-5pm. No booking necessary.</b>
<i>7pm Mass, Monday – Friday, "Public and Livestream" for a trial period</i> Ever since lockdown began, Fr Mark and the other priests have ensured that we have a 7pm mass available on livestream, every Monday-Friday. For a trial period, beginning Monday 19th October, we will be opening the doors for this mass so that people can join us in person, without having to book. We are not expecting big numbers so we will have to ask people to sign themselves in and to be responsible for cleaning any seats, etc. with which they may have come into contact. Please join us if you're able.		

## SOLEMNITY OF THE BLESSED WINCHESTER MARTYRS

*30th October: Save the date*



Fri 30th October marks our annual Solemnity of the Blessed Winchester Martyrs. For the past two years, we have celebrated mass and then gathered in the Pastoral Centre afterwards for some drinks and nibbles, followed by a chance for Fr Mark to reflect on where we are as a parish and share his hopes and dreams for the year(s) ahead. The pandemic means we will have to do something different this year but Fr Mark is still **very keen** that as many of us as possible are able to gather and participate in this event. **Please keep the evening of Fri 30th October free and look for more details next week.**

<p><b>St. Peter's Tea Room</b></p> <p>All welcome to join us for a cup of tea and a chat in our virtual tea room after 10am Livestream Mass. Find the link to join on the Parish Homepage, or on the YouTube channel alongside the links for the words and music.</p> 	<p><b>BOOKSHOP :</b> The bookshop is currently closed, but will open again when the Pastoral Centre opens.</p> <p>If you would like to buy or order anything before we open then please contact me by phone on 07760300708 or by email at <a href="mailto:bookshop@stpeterswinchester.org.uk">bookshop@stpeterswinchester.org.uk</a>. We have good stocks of Bibles, missals, prayerbooks, books, including Alpha books, rosaries, crosses, cards and first holy communion gifts and cards. Orders are taking a little longer than usual and the new encyclical Fratelli Tutti will be here soon.</p>  <p>Thank you for your support - <b>Susan Henry, Bookshop</b></p>
<p><b>Readings and Antiphons</b> Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2020 – <b>29th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b></p> <p><b>Entrance Antiphon – Cf Ps 16: 6, 8</b> To you I call; for you will surely heed me, O God; turn your ear to me; hear my words. Guard me as the apple of your eye; in the shadow of your wings protect me.</p> <p><b>First reading - Isaiah 45:1,4-6</b></p> <p><b>Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 95(96):1,2-5,7-10</b> <i>Give the Lord glory and power.</i></p> <p><b>Second reading – 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5</b></p> <p><b>Gospel Acclamation - Jn17:17</b> Alleluia, alleluia! Your word is truth, O Lord: consecrate us in the truth. Alleluia!</p> <p><b>Gospel – Matthew 22:15-21</b></p> <p><b>Communion Antiphon - Cf. Ps 32: 18-19</b> Behold, the eyes of the Lord are on those who fear him, who hope in his merciful love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine.</p>	<p><b>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - 'ADORATION'</b></p> <p>Since lockdown, Fr Mark and Fr Stephen have led times of prayer, including Adoration, both in the morning and at night which are available to follow on our YouTube channel <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCbGgrcbDyLY75pmCAopfLlg/live">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCbGgrcbDyLY75pmCAopfLlg/live</a>. The re-opening of St Peter's Church further enabled us to extend Adoration, which now also takes place after Mass, Mondays to Saturdays and can be attended in person.</p> <p><b>What is Adoration?</b> Understood simply, Eucharistic Adoration is adoring or honouring the Eucharistic Presence of Christ. At the moment of Consecration, during the Mass, the "gifts" of bread and wine are transformed into the actual Body and Blood of Jesus Christ, at the Altar. This means that they are not only spiritually changed, but rather are actually (substantially) changed into the Body and Blood of Christ. They become the actual, physical presence of Jesus in the Eucharist, His Real Presence, even if the 'accidents' persist (i.e. our eyes still see bread and wine). When we come to Adoration, we come to adore the Blessed Sacrament (Sacred Host). We come to adore Jesus! As we "pray, watch, wait, listen" to Him, we start to grow spiritually. Through our Adoration, Jesus calls us to a personal relationship with Him (friendship). Through this friendship, we are inspired and strengthened to take on life's challenges, to carry our daily cross with a new attitude, and to become more and more like Jesus.</p> <p>Come for as little or as long as you would like. <b>Times this week are:</b> <b>8am – 9am, Monday to Friday (starting with Morning Prayer)</b> <b>After 12.15 Mass, Monday &amp; Friday until 2pm</b> <b>After 10am Mass Tuesday, Wednesday &amp; Thursday until 12pm</b> <b>After 12noon Mass, Sunday until 2pm</b> <b>After 9am Mass, Saturday until 12pm (Confessions, 11am-12pm)</b> <b>(USUALLY ON SATURDAYS, BUT NOT SAT 17<sup>th</sup>: back on Sat 24<sup>th</sup>)</b></p>  <p>To participate online or see the recorded services for Morning Prayer, Adoration &amp; Benediction or Night Prayer and Adoration, follow on our YouTube channel <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCbGgrcbDyLY75pmCAopfLlg/live">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCbGgrcbDyLY75pmCAopfLlg/live</a>.</p>
<p><b>PLEASE PRAY FOR</b> the repose of the souls of those who have died recently:</p> <p>Ruth Patterson RIP Tim Guerrier RIP Wini Meikle RIP</p> <p>(Wini's funeral will be held on 22<sup>nd</sup> October in Twyford)</p>	<p>To commit to an hour each week as part of our parish rota, please contact Anna Smyllie <a href="mailto:annasmyllie@outlook.com">annasmyllie@outlook.com</a> or ring the parish office on 01962 852804)</p> <p><b>The time that you spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the best time you will spend on earth. (St Teresa of Calcutta)</b></p>
<p><b>Children's Rosary this Sunday</b></p> <p><i>Aid to the Church in Need is inviting all children to join in the annual One Million Children Praying the Rosary for Unity and Peace on Sunday 18th October...</i></p> <p>All children are invited once again this year to take part in the worldwide prayer initiative "A Million Children Praying the Rosary" on Sunday 18th October – or alternatively if you wish to pray the Rosary with the children in your school or kindergarten, on Monday 19th October (since 18th October falls on a Sunday this year). May this joint worldwide Rosary prayer initiative fill us all with new courage and confidence in God's loving protection, which He wishes to bestow on us through His Holy Mother.</p> <p>Click <a href="#">here</a> for downloadable flyer with instructions of How to Pray the Rosary.</p> <p>Click <a href="#">here</a> for ACN letter about One million children praying the Rosary 2020</p>	<p><b>Children's Liturgy Online</b></p>  <p>Our weekly Children's Liturgy is up and running again now via our online Zoom platform. The sessions take place at 9:30am - 9:50am on Sundays, so you are then free to join in with the 10am livestreamed Mass if you wish.</p> <p>To make the sessions as secure as possible, you will need to pre-register here: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUpd-CggDsJHdFJaIMzv9TVFB4lu-9cEITv">https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUpd-CggDsJHdFJaIMzv9TVFB4lu-9cEITv</a></p> <p><b>Please note! Everyone needs to register for the new session! You will receive a new email with individual joining link.</b> You will then receive an email with an individual ID (please don't share this with anyone) and a few safeguarding reminders.</p>  <p>Links for colouring sheets are put up in advance on the Children's/Young People's page on the website: <a href="https://www.catholicwinchester.org.uk/for-young-people-now/">https://www.catholicwinchester.org.uk/for-young-people-now/</a> We look forward to seeing you there!</p>

**Save the date .....**  
Alton **Day of Renewal (ADoRE)** Saturday 24 October 10.00-12.45 mini conference for spiritual renewal with Mass, Adoration, praise, prophecy, and an inspiring talk "My Spirit rejoices in God my Saviour" from Mgr John Armitage. If you are interested please register in advance for Zoom by following this link: [bit.ly/ADOREOCT20](https://bit.ly/ADOREOCT20). For more information go to the ADoRE website [www.altonrenewal.com](http://www.altonrenewal.com)

ADoRE is also offering prayer for healing by telephone Monday to Friday 10am to 4pm Ring 07579 824523 and leave a message.

**First Holy Communion**



Please remember in your prayers all the children who will be making their First Holy Communion during Masses this weekend and next month. Thanks to those parishioners who have been praying for specific children during these months, and thanks to our wonderful team of catechists for helping to prepare them for this special occasion.

**First Holy Communion 2021**

We are now taking registrations for anyone who wishes their child(ren) to prepare to make their First Holy Communion in July 2021. Children should be in Year 4 (or above). For further information and application forms please email Rosanne Walker at [fhc@stpeterswinchester.org.uk](mailto:fhc@stpeterswinchester.org.uk) The deadline for registration is this week, **October 20<sup>th</sup>** which is the last Parents' Compulsory Session with Fr Mark.



**Children and Families**

We're very conscious of some of the extra strains imposed upon children and families over recent months. We also know that the current masses, where no congregational singing is allowed and with the other differences, can make it more challenging for many of our children to engage and participate. We are actively thinking through what more we can do to support our children and families in worship (beyond our excellent Children's Liturgy of the Word) but any ideas are always welcome via our parish email address – [office@stpeterswinchester.org.uk](mailto:office@stpeterswinchester.org.uk) Hopefully we will have some news to share soon.



**Winchester Churches Christmas Project 2020**

**Winchester Churches Christmas Project** attempts to help those in Winchester for whom Christmas can be a really difficult time. Last Christmas volunteers from 18 different churches helped 141 people in the Winchester area through a lot of personal contact and consultation. Sometimes the money is not the most important bit - knowing that someone is prepared to spend time and take the trouble to listen can mean a lot. This is a thoughtful 'bespoke' enterprise – definitely not 'one size fits all'. We show our Christian faith and witness in caring for and helping those we would normally visit.

However, we envisage that this year's Christmas Project will be forced to be much lower key and less 'hands on' as Covid-19 guidelines will shape what is practically possible. We are consulting with the usual agencies to consider how this might work and will approach volunteers directly when we have worked out a plan.

We are in the fortunate position of having some funds available already but would still be grateful for any donations. These should be sent to the Project Treasurer, Mrs Jessica Tringham, c/o The United Church, Jewry Street, Winchester SO23 8RZ. Please make cheques payable to "Winchester Churches Christmas Project". Individuals who would like to Gift Aid their donation should add "Gift Aid" to the Project name on the cheque, provide their name and address and specify that it is to be Gift Aided, please.

In the meantime, we would really value your prayers for the Project, the volunteers and the people referred to us.

Thank you very much.

Helen McTiffin (Joint Co-ordinator of the Project with Janet Stewart)  
[deanacre@talktalk.net](mailto:deanacre@talktalk.net)

**BACK 2 BASICS COURSE**

**Sr. Hyacinthe OP Leader of our Formation for Mission Team invites us to join an exciting new online course to help us prepare for Advent and for the coming Year of the Eucharist...**

The FFM team have created an online group input that will help anyone wanting to learn more about their faith, especially parents whose children are preparing for first Reconciliation and Communion. Our Back 2 Basics offers 6 sessions that aim explore the beautiful meaning of the sacrament of Reconciliation, the sacrament of God's infinite mercy. We will be looking at this sacrament using artworks, group activities and discussion, and offer an introduction to Catholic morality, looking at topics such as the dignity of the human person, grace, sin, freedom, conscience, human happiness, and the call to holiness.

Of course **this online course is open to everyone: all adults, parents, grandparents and catechists.** The Back2Basics Reconciliation will be presented this **November, every Monday from 7 pm to 9 pm**, and so is a great way to prepare for Advent and for the coming Year of the Eucharist! We will finish each session with a time of prayer, with the Dominican Sisters of St Joseph.

To Register for this course, click [here](#). After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.



**CAFOD APPEAL – Family Fast Day – there is still time to donate**

We've all felt the impact of this terrible disease – let's come together to help the poorest and most vulnerable people in the world *survive, rebuild and heal*. Please pray for all those affected and donate online through the CAFOD website.

Or Texting CAFOD to 70085 which donates £10, Or Donate online via [cafod.org.uk/give](http://cafod.org.uk/give)

THANK YOU ALL SO MUCH IN ADVANCE.

**Journey in Faith**

The Journey in Faith programme has now started. If you're not a Catholic, but want to learn more about what the Church believes and does, please call or email Nick Kelly ([nick.kelly@sky.com](mailto:nick.kelly@sky.com) 07960 797963)

**PRAYER CORNER:**

Each week, this section will contain an intercession which I hope every parishioner will pray for, during the coming week. In this way, we will all pray to the Lord for the parish's mission, because *"if the Lord does not build... in vain do the builders labour"* (Ps 127:1) **Fr. Mark**

**This Week's Intention** *In this month of October, dedicated to Our Lady, let us pray that the Lord may help each of us to grow in a spirit of gratitude for all He has done for us, so that we are able to say, with her, "My soul glorifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my saviour."*

## St. Peter's School Catch-up

### Our New Art Curriculum

So this week it is the turn of Year 5 to update you on our work with our art topic Funky Flowers and Beautiful Beasts. This unit ties in beautifully with English and Geography learning about the rainforest and has been embraced by teachers and pupils alike.

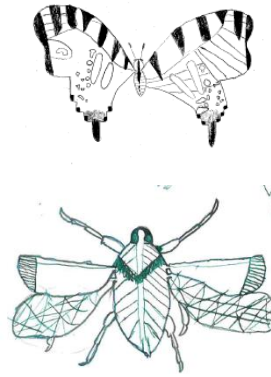
Initially, the task was a reminder of how to sketch, and St Peter's fantastic school setting was perfect for revising and consolidating observational drawing skills. The next focus was to 'Draw by Touch' (feely drawing), thus encouraging the children to relax into their drawing session. It enabled them to become familiar with their subject matter, prior to drawing what they could see. Once observational skills had been honed it was time to work outside and produce line drawings of flowers and plants in the Prayer Garden. On returning to class, colour was added to enhance the images.

Beautiful Beasts were embraced by the children and 'Austin's Butterfly' video was a great reminder of just how much work should be spent drawing. Using ink proved to be tricky, however, when patient and careful, some very realistic specimens were produced. Year 5 are very much looking forward to progressing further and producing rainforest scenes inspired by the work of Henri Rousseau.

Freddy said, "Wildlife is my favourite so I love this topic."

Riccardo added, "I loved doing detailed drawings of the insects".

Jacob loves art lessons and claims, "It is a really enjoyable topic and I enjoy how calming it is."



I would like to thank Miss Andrews (Year 2 teacher and art subject leader) for all her hard work on producing our new art curriculum and to all the team who have been teaching from it. The quality of art learning at St Peter's is something we are now proud about.

**"Every child is an artist. The problem is how to remain an artist once he grows up."**

Pablo Picasso

Best wishes, Louise Buxton, Headteacher

**PETERCARES** is a simple befriending project offering support by linking volunteer parishioner telephone callers with fellow parishioners. The support provided includes a friendly chat, continued connection with the parish, information about our virtual church, practical help where requested, and a conduit for prayer requests.

Many parishioners have told us that they are appreciative of the parish "reaching out" and keeping them connected by means of a friendly call with a fellow parishioner.

If you would like to receive a PeterCares call please either:

- Phone the parish office and leave your name and contact number on the answering machine (Tel: 01962 852804); or
- Email [petercares@stpeterswinchester.org.uk](mailto:petercares@stpeterswinchester.org.uk) with your name and contact number.

### Zoom Check-In for NHS Staff and Carers #2

Fr Mark would like to invite any NHS staff and carers to a second "Zoom Check-In" on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> October, 7:45-9:15pm. This will be another chance to share experiences, support and pray for one another. All NHS Staff and Carers are welcome. The Zoom Link is <https://zoom.us/j/95261431685?pwd=dFVIQWsxZk1rbUdpWXhqTnkwMUIEdz09> and the meeting ID is 952 6143 1685 and the password is 094227

**BAPTISM We offer a warm welcome to Thomas Andrew Webb, who will be baptized in St Peter's this weekend**

# Virtual Church Programme - Week commencing 18<sup>th</sup> October

	Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> Oct 29 <sup>th</sup> Sun in Ord. Time	Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> Oct St Paul of the Cross	Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Wed 21 <sup>st</sup> Oct	Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> Oct St John Paull II	Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct St John of Capistrano	Saturday 24 <sup>th</sup> Oct St Anthony Claret	
8am	Public Mass @ St Peter's Church (ALSO live streamed)	Public Morning Prayer and Adoration (ALSO live streamed)	Public Morning Prayer and Adoration (ALSO live streamed)	Public Morning Prayer and Adoration (ALSO live streamed)	Public Morning Prayer and Adoration (ALSO live streamed)	Public Morning Prayer and Adoration (ALSO live streamed)	9am - Public Mass @ St Peter's Church (ALSO live streamed)	
9.20 – 9.50am	Children's Liturgy Online (See website to register)							
10am	Sunday Mass <i>Live stream ONLY</i>		Public Mass @ St Peter's Church (ALSO live streamed)	Public Mass @ St Peter's Church (ALSO live streamed)	Public Mass @ St Peter's Church (ALSO live streamed)			
11.15am	St Peter's Tea Room <i>Zoom Virtual room</i>							
12noon	Sunday Mass @ St Peter's Church (ALSO live streamed)							
12.15pm		Public Mass @ St Peter's Church (ALSO live streamed)					Public Mass @ St Peter's Church (ALSO live streamed)	
2.55pm		Divine Mercy Chaplet <i>Zoom Virtual room</i>	Divine Mercy Chaplet <i>Zoom Virtual room</i>	Divine Mercy Chaplet <i>Zoom Virtual room</i>	Divine Mercy Chaplet <i>Zoom Virtual room</i>	Divine Mercy Chaplet <i>Zoom Virtual room</i>		
5.30pm	Sunday Mass @ St Peter's Church (ALSO live streamed)							Vigil Mass @ St Peter's Church (ALSO live streamed)
7pm		Evening Mass - <i>Live stream ONLY</i>	Evening Mass - <i>Live stream ONLY</i>	Evening Mass - <i>Live stream ONLY</i>	Evening Mass - <i>Live stream ONLY</i>	Evening Mass - <i>Live stream ONLY</i>		
7.45pm			Course: 'Discovering More about Mary' (See website to register)					
8pm		Alpha Online						
9pm	Night Prayer - <i>Live Stream ONLY</i>	Night Prayer - <i>Live Stream ONLY</i>	Night Prayer - <i>Live Stream ONLY</i>	Night Prayer - <i>Live Stream ONLY</i>	Night Prayer - <i>Live Stream ONLY</i>	Night Prayer - <i>Live Stream ONLY</i>	Night Prayer - <i>Live Stream ONLY</i>	

All public Masses at St Peter's Church are also livestreamed. For further details, visit our [website](https://www.stpeterschurch.org.uk). The virtual sessions take place on the online platform Zoom. These can be accessed through the following link <https://zoom.us/j/4388694572>. Alternatively, open your Zoom app (if installed), enter or copy/paste the Meeting ID: 438 869 4572 then click 'Join'. Password: 287520.

[PLEASE CLICK HERE TO PARTICIPATE IN MASS ONLINE](#)  
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**Sunday 18 October is World Mission Sunday** - supporting missionaries who work alongside communities that are poor or in need, regardless of their background or belief. By supporting Missio, the Pope's charity for world mission, you will help missionaries like Sr Nilcéia share the love of Christ with those most in need. Please pray for the mission of the Church throughout the world and give what you can to this very important collection which will sustain the future of our Church. Please call 020 7821 9755 (office hours) or visit Missio's website to give a single gift, set up a Direct Debit and Gift Aid your donation, if possible: [missio.org.uk](https://www.missio.org.uk). You can also put money in a clearly-marked envelope in with the normal collection.

