



**ST PETER'S
RC HIGH SCHOOL**

CHAPLAINCY NEWS

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Summer 2026 | FOLLOW ME

The Chapel is home to our Chaplaincy Team, which includes school Chaplain Father Joel Yeboah CSSp.



MISSION

St Peter's RC High School is a community founded on mutual love and care for the individual in which the Faith of the Church underpins all our activities.

Christ is our model in striving for excellence in all that we do and in valuing the unique contribution and gift of every member of our school community. St Peter's is committed to working with home and parish to enable all pupils to succeed in life.

OUR CHAPEL

You are welcome to St. Peter's Catholic High School Chapel.

The Chapel is a sacred space in our school that offers everyone, a place of prayer, worship, reflection and a quiet space for individual personal meditation. You are always welcome.

EVENTS

September
Year 7 Retreat
Welcome Mass

VALUES

ACHIEVEMENT

In whatever we do

LOVE

For all in the family of God

RESPONSIBILITY

Nurture independent pupils

DIVERSITY

Celebrate unique talents

OUR SCHOOL CHAPLAIN

Welcome to St. Peter's RC High School Chapel. This is the spiritual heart and the Centre of our school community where everyone is welcome and supported.

At St. Peter's Chapel, we celebrate the Holy Eucharist at least twice a week with our onsite school Chaplain, Fr. Joel (Monday, Wednesday and Friday), liturgical services following the Liturgical Calendar-Lent, Advent/Christmas, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, individual and group accompaniment, Lectio Divina, Holy Rosary prayers. It is a safe, serene and supportive space where students and staff spend some time for their personal prayers and meditation. Join the Chaplaincy team on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays in the Chapel.

OUR PATRON SAINT

Saint Peter was the first leader of the early apostolic community (the word 'Pope' wasn't used at that time). We now call Saint Peter the first Pope and all other Popes follow in his footsteps.

St Peter's Basilica, in Vatican City is dedicated to him. Inside, there is a bronze statue of Peter and the pope's altar stands above the place where Peter is believed to have been buried. His Feast Day is on 29th June and is always a day of great celebration in our school.



OUR SCHOOL CHAPLAIN

Fr Joel Yeboah



CHAPLAINCY TEAM



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Time for the Holy Rosary - The Legion of Mary

The months of May and October, as known are designated for the Blessed Virgin Mary. These months are mainly observed throughout the Catholic Church with various devotions especially through the Holy Rosary. Here at St. Peter's, the Legion of Mary Group within the Chaplaincy, organise Rosary prayers during some of their weekday meetings. Members lead the Rosary sessions and conclude with bidding prayers for the school community and the world.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Another program engaged in by the Chaplaincy team each week is the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. The team come together around the Altar in the Chapel, reflect, and have some silent moment for individual personal prayers. This is open to the school community during lunchtime on first Fridays of the month.



Lunchtime Masses

The free voluntary Mass is celebrated on Mondays and Fridays. This is open to everyone in the school community. The Chaplaincy team led by Fr. Joel, gather in our school Chapel for during lunchtime for the Mass. The Chaplaincy team does the readings, serving and singing during the Mass.



Lectio Divina

The Chaplaincy team meets on Mondays for a special Lectio Divina prayer. Members of the team take turns to lead and facilitate the Scripture-based prayer and mediation. A special opportunity to building student prayer leads.



Wednesday Chaplaincy

On a Wednesday lunchtime, chaplaincy sessions are usually run by Mr O'Sullivan, from the RE Faculty. Pupil chaplains have taken part in a number of reflective exercises.

These have ranged from discussing what it means to bring God's light into the world, to considering how a modern Christian should observe Lent.

We have looked at the significance of less well-known characters from the story of Jesus' Passion, and taken a deep look at the Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary.



We are Caritas



On Wednesday, 1st July 2026 during lunchtime, the Diocesan Co-ordinator Caritas Formation, Kathryn Ansley, was invited to train the Chaplaincy team and other groups as members of the Caritas Ambassadors at St. Peter's. The training was both insightful and impactful. The new Caritas Ambassadors are charged to make a positive impact wherever they find themselves by putting into practice, the love of Christ. The Ambassadors are now ready to take up initiatives by reaching out particularly to those in margins, to the school community, their Parishes and various Communities.

Gospel Reflection

Every Friday, two people are selected to read a passage or verse out, then share their opinion on it, I think this a very helpful skill because we can view the passage or verse from different angles, this can help us widen our understanding and make us more open minded, I really enjoy listening to their perspective on different passage or verses because they are different from my views.



Pentecost Retreat

This May, some of our Chaplaincy Team members were given the opportunity to attend a Pentecost retreat. It was held at the Spiritan Centre, where many other schools in Manchester gathered to celebrate the birthday of the Church. We were able to learn new things, dance a lot and make new friends. Later on, we were even treated to ice cream! It was amazing to connect with people and come together in faith.



Faith In Action



During some of our lessons in Re we have focused on some people like father Damien of Molokai who became a priest shortly after arriving in Hawaii .He went there to comfort a help the marginalized at that time, which were people with leprosy. We continue to use some of our lesson time to contribute to our journey of getting our silver faith in action badges.

Stations of the Cross

As members of the chaplaincy team we have done many things throughout the year but we would like to say the stations of the cross would be our favourite. It was very calming and got everyone involved, highlighting the unity that Jesus' journey to our salvation brought and immersed us in a state of how he sacrificed himself. These stations remind us that we are called to compassion and the immense love of God.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

As part of activities for the academic year, the Chaplaincy team put together series of programs which were spread throughout the school calendar. For the last few years, the Sacrament of Reconciliation has become a key part of St. Peter's Catholic life.

Last year, there were about 125 students who signed up for the Sacrament. Our recent Sacrament of Reconciliation, got well over 150 students including staff who signed up for the Sacrament. Thanks to our neighbouring Parish Priests; Frs. Matthias- Holy Spirit Parish, Clayton, Fr. Kevin Murphy, Sacred Heart- Gorton who are always available for various support our school Chaplain on the day.



YEAR 11 LEAVERS MASS

It was another special occasion worth celebrating our Year 11 students for their successful 5-year journey at St. Peter's. In May, Leavers Mass was organized in the school, obviously, the final time as a year group to come together, pray and receive the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist in such a memorable occasion. Our Year 11 students have been absolutely fantastic. They joyfully participated and were involved fully throughout the Mass. Thanks to everyone for making it a success especially to Fr. Kevin Murphy of Sacred Heart Parish, who was the main Celebrant on the day.

CHAPLAINCY TEAM

What a magical team! It's been a fantastic year indeed. The Chaplaincy team has been one of the much-sought for clubs in the school. The team involves young committed, dedicated and enthusiastic people who find time, in the midst of their academic chase, to joyfully share their faith. They meet, pray, lead in collective worships and Masses, serve at the Altar, share their faith, support and encourage others whose needs are the greatest. They are involved in the planning of their prayer sessions, Retreats, Lectio Divina, Holy Rosary, collective worship assemblies and throughout the Liturgical year. The team meet on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays during lunchtime in the Chapel. You are very much welcome!

Building Bridges at Savio House

On Tuesday, our pupils enjoyed a retreat at Savio House centred around the theme 'Building Bridges'. Through reflection, teamwork and prayer, they explored the importance of building strong relationships with God, one another and the wider community.

The day was a wonderful opportunity for pupils to deepen their faith, strengthen friendships and live out the Gospel values that are at the heart of life at St Peter's.



All The Best To Mr O'Sullivan

On behalf of everyone in Chaplaincy, we would like to express our sincere gratitude to Mr O'Sullivan for his dedication, faith and commitment during his time at St Peter's RC High School.

Although your time with us has been relatively short, the impact you have made has been significant. You have been a constant source of support, wisdom and encouragement, bringing kindness, compassion and joy to our Chaplaincy team. Your willingness to give your time and share your faith has left a lasting impression on us all.

Thank you for everything you have done for our school community. We are truly grateful for your service and wish you every success and happiness as you begin this exciting new chapter at Loreto College.

May God continue to bless and guide you in your future ministry and work.

With our prayers and best wishes,

The St Peter's RC High School Chaplaincy Team



SCHOOL PRAYER

In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit Amen.

Lord Jesus, when you called your apostles

you said to them, "Follow me."

Stay with us, Lord, on our journey.

Be with us as we care for everyone

with love and respect.

Help us to achieve our goals

through resilience and determination.

With your love, let us celebrate and

draw strength from our diversity.

Guide us to be responsible for all in our school community.

We make this prayer through Christ our Lord.

*Thank you to the Parish Priests of our Partnered Primary Schools for their support to
St. Peter's school community*

Fr. Kevin Murphy

The Sacred Heart and St Francis, Manchester
St Francis of Assisi's RC Catholic Church, Gorton
Sacred Heart RC Catholic Church, Gorton

Parish Priest: Fr. Kris Aneke MSP

St Robert of Newminster, Manchester
St Richard's RC Catholic Church, Longsight
St Mary's RC Catholic Church, Levenshulme

Fr. Matthias Odaudu, CSSp

Parish of the Holy Spirit
Manchester
St Anne's RC Catholic Church, Ancoats
St Brigid, Bradford
St Willibrord's RC Catholic Church, Clayton

Rev Armand Maku SMA

St Joseph's RC Catholic Church, Longsight
St Edward's RC Catholic Church, Rusholme



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