



# St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Ansdell

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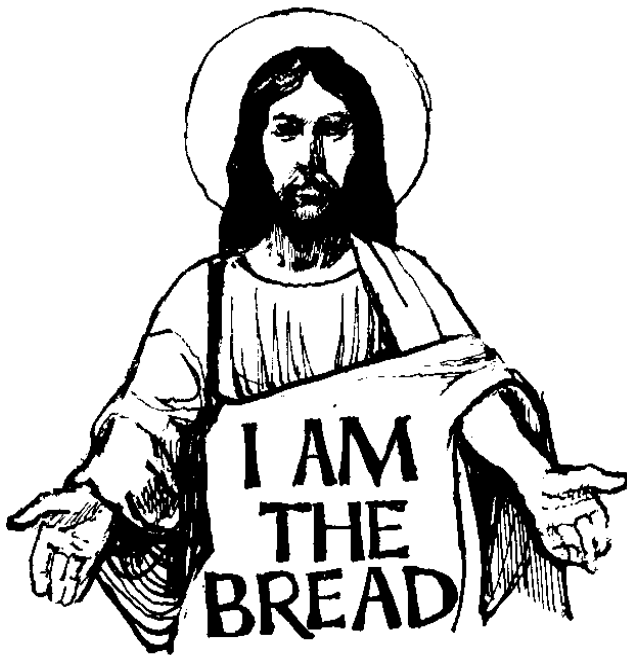


## **Eighteenth Sunday of the Year** Parish Mass Book page Number 114

<b>Weekend 3<sup>rd</sup> /4<sup>th</sup> Aug</b>		<b>Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	
Sat 3 <sup>rd</sup>	6.00pm	St. Joseph's	Jim & Odette Baker Ruby Wedding Intentions
Sun 4 <sup>th</sup>	9.15am	St. Joseph's	Wynne and Waters Families
	10.30am	St. Peter's	A Special Intention
Mon 5 <sup>th</sup>	9am	St. Peter's	People of the Parishes
	7pm	<i>St. Peter's Evening Prayer and Benediction</i>	
Tues 6 <sup>th</sup>	10am	St. Joseph's	Donor's Intention
<i>No Services Wed-Fri</i>			

<b>Weekend 10<sup>th</sup> /11<sup>th</sup> Aug</b>		<b>Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	
Sat 10 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	St. Joseph's	Bobby Kelly
Sun 11 <sup>th</sup>	9.15am	St. Joseph's	People of the Parishes
	10.30am	St. Peter's	Patricia Conroy

No Exposition or Confessions this week  
Confession is also available by arrangement with Fr. Peter. Tel. 737037



**COLLECTION COUNT:** for June  
Gift Aid £349.00 Non Gift Aid £1444.16  
Special Collections Gift Aid £40.10 Non Gift Aid £2.00  
Standing Orders £2940.50 St. Joseph's Care £214.61  
Burkino Faso £725

**Please pray for all who have died recently**, especially the Southport children, and Alan Morris, and those whose anniversaries occur about this time especially Jessie McDermott, Pauline Drake, Brid Jose, Teresa Bialecki, Joseph Ainsworth, Eileen Ayres, Kathleen Donellan, Sheila Burdett, Valerie Robinson and Joyce Clarke

**Please pray for the sick and housebound of the Parish**, especially: Paul Bunyan, Michael Cookson, Andrew Cox, Judith Cross, Barbara Delaney, Rosaline Fox, Cathy Gaughan, Patrick Gilligan, Pat Heeny, Christopher Hill, Christopher Hunter, Magdalena Jones, Peter Jones, Sr Kay, Caroline

Ledward, Margaret Long, Maureen Lundy, Pat Marion, Paul Meskell, Anne Meyer, George Morgan, Pat Moss, Simon Muller, Molly Murphy, Zivile Petraviciute, Bob Osachuk, Alison Singleton, Margaret Spillane, Susan Standing, Sr Michaela Toulmin (Hying), Greta Turner, Alan Watkins, Mary Whittle, Phil Winstanley, Kath Woods, Albert Zammit, Emmanuel Zammit.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY** at Sunday Morning Mass!

**COFFEE & BACON BUTTIES** after 9.15am Mass this week. (*I'll need it. FrP*)

**ST JOSEPH'S CARE:** Do you know of anyone in our community who is in need or might need a little more support, and would like either a friendly a visit, or Holy Communion at Home? Please let St. Joseph's Care Visiting Team know by emailing or phone the Parish on the above contact details.

**BELL RINGING PRACTICE** every Thursday from 7-8.30 pm. If you are interested in learning to ring the bells at St Joseph's, please get in touch with Tower Captains James (07743684900) and Stacey (07921032390) and they'll show you the ropes!

**REPOSITORY:** Cards and gifts for different occasions available, including first communion cards and Rosary beads. Orders for other items can be taken, too. If you are interested in joining a rota for either of the weekend Masses please contact Margaret on 07711698195

**LECTIO DIVINA** Scripture prayer and discussions in the hall on Wednesdays at 10am.

**THE HOLY ROSARY:** every Thursday after Mass in Church, for this beautiful prayer. All welcome.

### Rotas for weekend 10<sup>th</sup> / 11<sup>th</sup> August Readers

Sat Vigil: Edwina Gillett Sun 9.15am: Rosemary Page

### Meet and Greet

Sat Vigil: P. Huskinson and D. Warwick

Sun 9.15am: M. Skene and M. Lehman

## **This Week's Readings: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time B**

We gather today to receive Christ himself, in his Word and in the Sacrament of the Eucharist.

**First Reading *Exodus 16:2-3,12-15*** The Lord gives the Israelites manna in the desert, a foreshadowing of the food he will give us for eternity.

**Second Reading *Ephesians 4:17,20-24*** With a all the nourishment we have form God, Paul outlines the kind of lives we should now be living.

**Gospel *John 6:24-35*** Following the feeding of the five thousand, Jesus gives the people a spiritual understanding of the miracle, describing himself as 'Bread of Life'.

**Message from Fr. Peter:** Being the First Week of the Month, this Monday we have Evening Prayer in preparation for the centenary of the Diocese, this month at St. Peter's as we alternate the venue each month. Evening Prayer is one of the Official Offices of the Church, which at their ordination clergy promise to say every day, and which lay people are encouraged to share in. It comprises an opening hymn, recitation of the psalms and a bible canticle, followed by a short scripture reading. We then sing or say the Magnificat, Mary's great hymn of praise foretelling the birth of her Son, and the wonderful things He is to achieve. After this there are some bidding prayers, which always conclude with a prayer for those who have died, before the Lord's Prayer and a final concluding prayer. We then have a short Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction. As a whole it is a beautiful little service, barely lasting half an hour, to which everyone is invited as we make preparations for the centenary of the Diocese. Events for this celebration are being prepared. The Centenary will commence on the 23<sup>rd</sup> November with Mass celebrated in the Cathedral at 10.30am on that day, with the Bishop, the Solemnity of Christ the King. The Centenary year will be marked by various celebrations on a Diocesan and more local level and will also serve to help us keep a fruitful Holy Year, which itself will open with Mass celebrated in Lancaster on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> December. Prayer cares should be with us soon, and I will keep you posted of other events. Until then, let's continue to make our own preparations with our monthly, beautiful, service of Evening Prayer. *Almighty and merciful Father, bestow your grace upon the Diocese of Lancaster as we celebrate our Centenary Year. We give thanks for the witness of past generations and pray for a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit that we may be ever more faithful to proclaiming the Gospel of Christ. Bless Paul our Bishop, the Clergy, Religious and Faithful of our Diocese, and graciously grant plentiful vocations to the Priesthood, the Consecrated Life and the Sacrament of Marriage. Strengthen us in the communion of faith, hope and charity, united in prayer with our Holy Father the Pope and the Universal Church. We ask this through Jesus Christ, Our Lord. Amen. Our Lady of Lourdes, pray for us.*

***This Monday 5<sup>th</sup> August: Evening Prayer at St. Peter's at 7pm  
in honour of The Immaculate Heart of Mary  
in preparation for the Centenary of the Diocese***

**Please note that there is no cemetery Mass this first Wednesday.** Our next Mass at Saltcoats will be Wednesday September 4<sup>th</sup>.

**The Children of Southport:** Our Archbishop of Liverpool Malcolm McMahon OP was among religious leaders nationwide who called for prayers for all affected by the stabbings in Southport. In a statement he said: *'For those who have been injured, for those who are parents, family, and friends of the injured, for all involved in the emergency services, we pray for God's blessing, God's peace, and God's presence today. Let us commend all to the loving intercession of Our Lady Comforter of the Afflicted as we pray for peace, healing, and justice.'*

**For security and safeguarding,** starting from next week, during the month of August Exposition and Confessions will take place at SJ's before Mass from 9:30am, with devotions concluding with Benediction, the Angelus, and the beginning of Mass. This will start from next week – there is no devotions or confessions this week.

**Burkina Faso.** Our 2024 appeal will run through to the end of August. There are envelopes on Our Lady's stand at the back of church, simply place your donation inside and return via the offertory collection. Thank you. *Edwina Gillett.*

To introduce us to the new translation of the readings coming in Advent, each week we will have a verse or two from the present translation, the Jerusalem Bible, and the new one, The English Standard Version Catholic Edition.

### **From the Jerusalem Bible to English Standard Version: Luke 2:29-32**

Jerusalem: Now, Master, you can let your servant go in peace, just as you promised; because my eyes have seen the salvation which you have prepared for all the nations to see, a light to enlighten the pagans and the glory of your people Israel.

English Standard: Lord, now you are letting your servant depart in peace, according to your word; for my eyes have seen your salvation that you have prepared in the presence of all the peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to your people Israel.

*This is the Song of Simeon at the Presentation of Jesus on the eighth day, and forms part of the night prayer of the Church. Note the change from 'pagans' to 'gentiles' for the Greek 'ethnon'.*

**Mass Intentions,** for the deceased, the bereaved, for the sick, the Holy Souls, are always welcome, and offering envelopes are available at the back of Church, and Mass cards are available from the Holy Shops after Sunday Masses. **Sanctuary Lamp:** If you would like to sponsor the Sanctuary lamp in memory of a loved one or for a special intention, please place the details and date wanted in an envelope with a £20 donation and clearly note Sanctuary Lamp on the outside. This can be placed in the offertory collection basket. The lamp will burn for a full week From Sunday to Saturday, and the intention will be published on the Newsletter.