



St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Ansdell

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The Baptism of the Lord

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*The heavens opened and the Father's voice resounded:
'This is my Son, the beloved. Listen to Him'*

MEMORIAL ACCLAM: We proclaim your Death O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

SUN	6.00pm	Betsy Davies RIP
	9.15am	The Parish
	10.30am	Mass at St Peter's
	5.05pm	Brian & Veronica Connolly (Ann)
MON 13 th		No Mass
TUE 14 th	9.00am	Samantha Rawstron RIP
WED 15 th	8.30am	Mass at St Peter's
THU 16 th	8.30am	Mass at St Peter's
FRI 17 th	9.00am	Int's of Kitty O'Dea
SAT 18 th	10.00am	Mass at St Peter's
19th January 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time		
	6.00pm	Monica Fergus RIP
	9.15am	Michael Cookson (Ann)
	10.30am	Mass at St. Peter's
	5.05pm	The Parish

PRAYERS & DEVOTIONS:

HOLY ROSARY: 20 mins before weekday Mass
Confessions with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Sat 4.30 – 5.30pm (and on request.)

Fr. David's Holy Communion visits to the sick will be to Pinewood Crescent, Talbot Terrace, Mythop Place.

Thank-you for the collection last week:

	Offertory	St. Joseph's Care
Gift Aid	£341.00	<u>£346.50</u>
Non-Gift Aid	<u>£552.36</u>	
	£893.36	

Next Weekend: Appeal for Aid to the Church in Need (ACN)

18th/19th	Readers	Ministers
Sat 6.00pm	A Waters	Group B
Sun 9.15am	Children	Group E
Sun 5.05pm	P Crean	K & T Godden

WELCOMERS Next weekend:

6.00pm	J & C O'Neill
9.15am	Sr Norbert & Sr Philomena
5.05pm	M Reid

CLOTHING: We will advise you in the coming weeks when the next collection will be.

SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE: Bacon Barms with tea and coffee will continue throughout January 2020. Our young families have come together to cover the rota and we are very grateful to them for this and for the initiative of Bacon Barms – very welcome at this time of the year! Please support them.

Please pray for:

Those who are sick: Sr. Josephine Mary (Hying), Brid José, Kitty O'Dea, Joyce Russell, Michael Cookson, Pat Quaile, Simon Muller, Susan Standing, Margaret Spillane, Maureen Lundy, Christopher Hill, Christopher Hunter, Pat Marion, Paul Meskell, Anne Meyer, Phil Winstanley, Frances Kendrick, Bobby Kelly, Judith Cross, John Weaver, Andrew Cox, Roseanne Evans, Alex Walker, Emmanuel Zammit, Bob Osachuk, Rosaline Fox, Alan Watkins, Alison Singleton, Vincent Lutas, Rod Beirne, Tony Waters.

Those whose anniversaries occur about this time: Anne Finnigan, Margaret Pinder, Harold Cross, Elizabeth Meyler, Terence Burke, John McRink, Agnes Snape, Vera Heywood, Patrick Joseph Wilson, John Cookson, Michael Cookson, John Draper, Thomas Sangster, Irene Mair, Mary Teresa Livesey, Charles Ingham, Michael Melody, Hilda Sempler, Joan Inmonger.

FOODBANK: We continue to collect for St Cuthbert's SVP who help those struggling in their area, particularly the homeless and those living in bedsits. This cold and wet weather makes the donations of tins of soup and rice pudding particularly welcome.

ST. PETER'S SCHOOL: On behalf of those living in temporary accommodation in Blackpool we would to thank the children at school for their very generous collection of tinned food and toiletries which has enabled us to help those in quite desperate circumstances beyond our normal catchment area of South Shore. A tremendous effort, well done!

Unwanted Present Sale: Have you received any presents recently that you really have no use for? If 'yes' then please consider donating them to our 'Unwanted Present Sale' on Saturday 1 February from 10:30am in the Hall. Items can be left in plastic containers at the back of church over the next two weekends. And please do come along on the day enjoy a brew and a toasted teacake and grab yourself a bargain. Free entry but refreshments £1. All proceeds to church funds

Mission 2020
'The God who speaks'

In just 3 months time we will begin our Parish mission which will be led by the Sion community. Our mission coincides with a pastoral year to focus particularly on the Bible and 'The God who speaks'.

As this special 'Year of the Word' unfolds, we are invited to allow our God in the Scriptures to renew and inspire, challenge and enliven our families, our parishes and every aspect of our lives as individual disciples of the Lord. Once again, our faith calls to be nourished and fed as we sit at the Lord's feet and encounter His voice in the Sacred Scriptures.

Our mission provides us with a great opportunity to fully maximise this pastoral year of renewal so that our parish can continue to thrive into the new decade. Please continue to pray for its success.

POPE FRANCIS has declared the third Sunday of Ordinary Time the Sunday of the Word of God. I am delighted to tell you that here at St. Joseph's, for the first time, I will be commissioning our readers at all the Masses of January 25th/26th. In addition, the Bishops Conference has instituted this year as a Year of the Word 'The God who speaks'. So, on the same Sunday, you are invited to bring your Bible or New Testament or Book of the Bible with you to Mass for a blessing.

All readers are invited to a short meeting in the Hall this Friday at 7.00 pm.

APPEAL – AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED (ACN): Next weekend Paul Larkin of *Aid to the Church in Need* will be making an appeal at all the Masses. ACN supports Christians around the world facing persecution, injustice and difficulty, especially in countries like Iraq and Nigeria. Our prayers are needed, but also our financial assistance. Please be as generous as you can with both.

REPOSITORY: Copies of the Lancaster Diocesan Directory 2020 are now on sale. £3.50 each.

CALLING ALL YOUNG PEOPLE up to the age of 18 to meditate on the Stations of the Cross in the New Year. We are looking to produce a set of Stations of the Cross for our Parish Hall. And we are hoping that you can help us by painting one or more of the fourteen Stations so that we can frame and hang them in the Hall before Holy Week. The paintings may also be used to produce a Stations of the Cross booklet. The paintings should be A4 size. So that Stations are not duplicated please identify on the sheet at the back of church which Station(s) you are prepared to paint. Completed artwork should be left in the Sacristy by the end of February with your name and age attached. We are all excited to see how you will be inspired - thank you.

"I am the Bread of Life ...this is the bread which comes down from heaven," John 6

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: We are delighted to announce that the list for young people who desire to make their First Holy Communion in 2020 is open. Children in Year 3 at St Peters will receive a letter through school. Other candidates are invited to collect a form from one of the catechists after Mass. Completed forms should be returned either to St Peters School or to a catechist by Wednesday 29th January. Our catechists are Stacey Wormleighton and Cordelia O'Neill.

THE HALL: The new arrangements for the Hall are now in place. Thank you for your patience whilst all this has been sorted.

- Parish groups **and individual parishioners** wishing to make a booking should contact the Parish Office (open Wed and Fri mornings),
- A Health and Safety notice including responsibilities for Users has now been posted on the notice board in the Hall porch area. Please can Group leaders collect a copy from the Sacristy. Private parishioner reservations will receive a copy when booking the Hall.
- Any identified maintenance issues should be recorded on the sheet provided.
- Any accidents/near misses should be recorded in the accident book provided.

HOSPITAL: If you, or someone you know, is going into Blackpool Victoria Hospital please inform the RC Chaplain on 01253 956299 giving the name as known by the hospital and the ward. Should the Chaplain be required urgently please ask the ward staff to contact the on-call RC Chaplain.

ROSARY Thu 12 Noon **BELL RINGING** Thu 7.00pm