

# St. Joseph's and St. Peter's

## The Roman Catholic Parishes of Ansdell & Lytham

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### Pentecost Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2025

**“Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.”**

#### Weekend 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> June Pentecost

Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup>	6pm	St. Joseph's	Mass	Intentions of Edwina Gillett
Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup>	9:15am	St. Joseph's	Mass	John Hallion
	10:30am	St. Peter's	Mass	People of the Parishes

Monday 9 <sup>th</sup>	9am	St. Peter's	Mass	Frank Holland <i>followed by Expositions and Confessions till 10am</i>
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup>	10am	St. Joseph's	Requiem Mass	for Vincent Lutas
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	9am	St. Peter's	Mass	For a Successful Operation
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup>	10am	St. Joseph's	Mass	Fr. Hibbert Birthday Intentions
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup>	11am	St. Joseph's	Deanery Mass	for the First Holy Communion Children Joy Warwick

#### Weekend 14<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup> June The Most Holy Trinity

Saturday 14 <sup>th</sup>	6pm	St. Joseph's	Mass	People of the Parishes
Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup>	9:15am	St. Joseph's	Mass	John Morrison
	10:30am	St. Peter's	Mass	Robin Upton

**Sacrament of Reconciliation with Exposition this week.**

**Monday 9:30-9:55am at St. Peter's**

Confession is also available by arrangement with Fr. Peter. Tel. 737037

#### This Sunday's Readings: Pentecost Sunday

Today we celebrate the great feast of Pentecost, the birthday of the Church. We celebrate God amongst us in power. Through the Holy Spirit we become not just a group of believers but we are made into Christ's presence in the world, unafraid and empowered to share the message of the Gospel.

**First Reading Acts 2:1-11** There appeared tongues of fire which rested above them. They were filled with the Holy Spirit and people marvelled that they could understand their words as they spoke about the goodness of God.

**Second Reading 1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13** We have been baptised in the Holy Spirit. It is this Spirit which works in each person to bring about good.

**Gospel John 20:19-23** While they were afraid, Jesus appeared and gave his disciples his peace. He breathed his Spirit on them and sent them out for the forgiveness of sins.

**Message from Father Peter:** As is traditional on the great Feast of Pentecost, fifty days after Easter as we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles, we have, in the Liturgy of the Word, after the second reading and before the Gospel greeting, a 'sequence'. Originally Sequences were liturgical poems, which followed on directly from the final note of the Alleluia, and were used for many different liturgical occasions – in fact there were over 5000, apparently. The Church Council of Trent in 1545 abolished most of them, until, after Vatican II we were left with just four, two of which are optional: for Corpus Christi (Lauda Sion) and Our Lady of Sorrows (the Stabat Mater – the text of which is possibly more familiar to us, as it is still used as one of the traditional hymns for the Stations of the Cross); and two remain obligatory: the Easter Sequence (Victimae Paschali Laudes) which is said on Easter Sunday and throughout Easter Week and the Pentecost Sequence (Veni, Sancte Spiritus) which we hear in today's Mass – now moved to before the Alleluia. This is one of the most beautiful of the sequences (I really don't like the Easter Week one, at least not in the present English translation), forming a beautiful prayer, begging the Holy Spirit to come among us and change our lives, and change the world, comforting us in all our struggles, and bring us the seven-fold gifts of the Spirit, to be with us throughout the whole of lives until the Spirit eventually 'gives us comfort when we die'. In essence, the sequence is calling us to take seriously our Confirmation, when we received the fullness of God's Holy Spirit. It's a beautiful prayer, and also a beautiful expounding of the Theology of the Holy Spirit. Let's make it a heartfelt prayer as we conclude our joyful season of Eastertide on this Feast of Pentecost. Incidentally, *do you want to hear my latest joke about the Fibonacci Sequence? It's as good as my previous two Fibonacci sequence jokes put together!* I'll get my coat. And google 'Fibonacci Sequence'...



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## Pentecost

**Please pray for those whom Requiems and Funeral Services we will be celebrating over the next few weeks;** Vincent Lutas June 10<sup>th</sup> at SJ's at 10am; Eileen Whalley June 20<sup>th</sup> at Lytham Crematorium at 12:15pm; and Mary Veronica McLaughlin July 2<sup>nd</sup> at SP's at 1pm *Requiescat in pace.*

**Deanery Celebration of First Holy Communion**  
for the First Holy Communion Children  
of the five Junior Schools in our Deanery  
**This Friday 13<sup>th</sup> of June at 11am at SJ's.**  
**All Welcome.**

**From Edwina Gillett:** A big thank you to all who joined me in Lancaster for the Bene Merenti presentation on Saturday 31 May and to all those who came along to St Joseph's for Vespers and Benediction followed by a sherry reception on the following Sunday. I have been quite overwhelmed by all the messages of support, cards, mass offerings, prayers, flowers and even an afternoon tea, quite amazing! Thank you all, Fr Peter will offer a Mass for both parishes in thanksgiving in due course.  
*E. Gillett.*

**The Syrian Refugees and the Displaced Lebanese** thank the Parish of St. Peter in Lytham for donating £635.00 and St. Joseph's in Ansdell for donating £1410:00 in support of the project in Zahleh, Lebanon. This project involves feeding 1500 refugees each weekday as well as offering comfort and companionship and especially to the Sick and the Elderly infirm. Aid to the Church in Need helps with this endeavour. The total raised is £9,100.20. Thank you. Fr. Philip will offer 3 Masses for the intentions & wellbeing of all benefactors. *Fr. Philip Newbold* (And bravo to our friend Fr Phil for his successful Lenten challenge! *FrP*)

**Wedding Anniversary Mass:** Sat 12 July, 12.15pm Lancaster Cathedral. Bishop Paul invites all couples in the Diocese celebrating milestone wedding anniversaries this year - to a Mass of celebration and blessing. All are welcome to attend. For those couples wishing a blessing for their Catholic marriage please email the Cathedral at [clergy@lancastercathedral.org.uk](mailto:clergy@lancastercathedral.org.uk)

**Diocesan Pilgrimages:** Lourdes Pilgrimage 2025: 'With Mary, Pilgrims of Hope.' 23rd – 30th July. Details and booking forms at: [www.joewalshstours.co.uk](http://www.joewalshstours.co.uk) Walsingham: 20-24 Oct All-inclusive cost is £475-£550 (dependent on accommodation type) Info & booking details Deacon Charlie Conner on 07895 742 732 or email [charlie.conner@lrcd.org.uk](mailto:charlie.conner@lrcd.org.uk)



**COLLECTION COUNT:** for May: *with grateful thanks*  
**Gift Aid** £399.20 **Non Gift Aid** £1523.77 **SO** £3013.50  
**St. Joseph's Care** £537.60 **Cafod** £1499.97 **Specials Gift Aid** £47.00

**Please pray for all who have died recently,** especially, Vincent Lutas, Eileen Whalley, and Mary Veronica McLaughlin, and those whose anniversaries occur about this time Dulcie Haig, Bill Drake, Fr. Joe Geoghan, John Guest, Sheila Chong, Greta Nixon, Bishop John Brewer, Annie Sumner and Eileen O'Neill

**Please pray for the sick and housebound of the Parish,** especially: Paul Bunyan, Michael Cookson, Andrew Cox, Judith Cross, Rosaline Fox, Cathy Gaughan, Patrick Gilligan, Pat Heeny, Christopher Hunter, Peter Jones, Sr Kay, Caroline Ledward, Margaret Long, Maureen Lundy, Pat Marion, Paul Meskeil, Anne Meyer, George Morgan, Pat Moss, Molly Murphy, Zivile Petravičiute, Bob Osachuk, Alison Singleton, Margaret Spillane, Susan Standing, Sr Michaela Toulmin (Hynning), Alan Watkins, Brenda Wilmot, Phil Winstanley, Kath Woods, Albert Zammit, Emmanuel Zammit.

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

**COFFEE & BACON BUTTIES** after 9.15am Mass this week  
*(Delicious as ever. 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 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:** Mass cards, a selection of greetings cards, Rosary Beads, Prayer cards and statues always available. 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 10am Mass in Church, for this beautiful prayer.

### Rotas for Weekend 14<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup> June

#### Readers

**Sat Vigil:** Mary Wren-Hilton **Sun 9.15am:** Children

#### Meet and Greet

**Sat Vigil:** P. Huskinson and D Warwick **Sun 9.15am:** M Skene and M Lehman