

St. Joseph's and St. Peter's

The Roman Catholic Parishes of Ansdell & Lytham

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Palm Sunday of the Passion of Our Lord 13th April 2025

“My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?”

Weekend 12th/13th April Palm Sunday Year ‘C’

Saturday 12 th	6pm	St. Joseph's	Mass People of the Parishes
Sunday 13 th	9:15am	St. Joseph's	Mass Deceased parents Ken and Margaret Hammond
	10:30am	St. Peter's	Mass Repose of the Soul of Bernadette Leach

Monday 14 th	9am	St. Peter's	Mass Mary Josephine Buckley followed by Exposition and Confession till 9:55am
	7pm	St. Peter's	Stations of the Cross and Benediction
Tuesday 15 th	10am	St. Joseph's	Mass Mary Broaders and her family preceded by Exposition and Confession till 9:55am
	11am	St. Joseph's	Funeral Service for Mary Elizabeth Billington
	7pm	St. Joseph's	Stations of the Cross and Benediction
Wednesday 16 th	9am	St. Peter's	Marge Lavelle

The Easter Triduum:

Thursday 17 th	7pm	St. Joseph's	Mass of the Lord's Supper Deceased members of the O'Dea Family
Friday 18 th	10am	St. Peter's	Stations of the Cross
	3pm	St. Joseph's	Solemn Celebration of the Passion of Our Lord
	3pm	St. Peter's	Solemn Celebration of the Passion of Our Lord
	6pm	Outside St. Joseph's	Prayer around the Cross of Calvary

Weekend 19th/20th April Easter Sunday

Saturday 19 th	7pm	St. Joseph's	Service of Light and the Mass of The Easter Vigil Mary Josephine Buckley
Sunday 20 th	9:15am	St. Joseph's	Mass Mark and Dawn Ghee
	10:30am	St. Peter's	Mass People of the Parishes

Sacrament of Reconciliation with Exposition this week:

Monday 9:30-9:55am at St. Peter's; Tuesday 9:30-9:50am at St. Joseph's

This Week's Readings: Passion Sunday

We gather to celebrate the Eucharist, remembering the suffering our Lord endured for us.

Gospel for the Procession Luke 19:28-40 Jesus enters Jerusalem in a way that echoes Zechariah's prophecy of the Messiah riding on a young donkey.

First Reading Isaiah 50:4-7 Together with the other “Servant Songs” in Isaiah, the first reading shows that the Messiah's true role will be to suffer for others.

Second Reading Philippians 2:6-11 Although divine, Jesus humbled himself by becoming a man, and still further by dying on the cross.

Gospel Luke 22:14 - 23:56 Having symbolically shown at the Last Supper that what he was doing would form the new covenant between God and humanity, Jesus is betrayed, abandoned by his disciples, tried and crucified.

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The Easter Triduum at St. Joseph's and St. Peter's 2025

All are welcome to join us for our beautiful Services

Heavenly Father, in preparation for our celebrations of the saving Death and glorious Resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, we come before You with hearts full of gratitude for the sacrifice He made on the cross. Prepare our hearts to fully embrace the joy of Easter, and help us reflect on the significance of His rising from the dead. Through Christ our Lord.

Maundy Thursday 17th April

St. Joseph's 7pm Mass of the Lord's Supper led by our First Holy Communion Children from SJs and SPs with Washing of the Feet, Blessed Sacrament Procession and watching until 10pm with Night Prayer of the Church at 9:50pm

Good Friday 18th April

Stations of the Cross St. Peter's 10am Ecumenical Service on Woodlands Road outside the Fundraising Shop at 10am

St. Joseph's 3pm and St. Peter's 3pm Solemn Celebration of the Passion of the Lord

Prayers around Calvary: Outside at St. Joseph's 6pm

Holy Saturday 19th April

St. Joseph's 7pm Easter Vigil and Service of Light

Easter Sunday 20th April

St. Joseph's 9:15am Easter Sunday Morning Mass

St. Peter's 10:30am Easter Sunday Morning Mass

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Palm Sunday of the Passion of Our Lord.

O God of unchangeable power and eternal light, look favourably on your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery, and by the tranquil operation of your perpetual providence carry out the work of our salvation: and let the whole world feel and see that things which were cast down are being raised up and things which had grown old are being made new and that all things are returning to perfection through him from whom they took their origin, even Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Lent 2025 at St. Joseph's and St. Peter's Stations of the Cross and Benediction:

Mondays at SP's at 7pm and Tuesdays at SJ's at 7pm

Stations has been wonderfully attended at both our Churches this Lent. Do join us in this last week to make this wonderful devotion.

First Reconciliation and Holy Communion: The next session for Candidates is this Monday in SJ's hall at 6pm, during which we will practice for Mass on Maundy Thursday evening. Please pray for our children on this important step in their faith journeys.

Please pray for our catechumens and candidates who will be received into Full Communion with the Church at the Easter Vigil and our young person who is to be baptised. May the Lord bless them on this final preparation for this great step in their journeys of faith. Please make a special point to come to our Easter Vigil to welcome them into our community.

After the Easter Vigil everyone is welcome into the presbytery for some sherry and chocolate. It is a tradition in Benedictine Monasteries that their monks are allowed five squares of chocolate after the Vigil to give them energy to sing Morning Prayer. So chocolate for all will be provided!

Fr Peter's Lenten Challenge House Appeal: Last few days of making crosses to raise £3000 to build a house! I can now do them in my sleep! **All donations are gratefully accepted, and envelopes are available at the back of Church.** Please check out the pictures from Fr. Stephen in Malawi, and feel free to take a woollen cross! Many thanks in anticipation. I'll announce the final total over Easter Weekend.

A Gift Aid tax reclaim will be submitted shortly to HMRC. Please notify me if you are no longer a taxpayer or you paid insufficient tax during 2024/25 to cover the tax that will be reclaimed on all your donations given under Gift Aid to all charities during the tax year. At the present standard rate of tax of 20%, 25p is reclaimed for every £1 donated. If you have moved house during the tax year please ensure that you have notified your parish. *Sue Halton.*

Saturday 26th April: Line Dancing Night!

with food, a bar and the ukelele orchestra from 7:30pm at SJ's hall. Tickets are available from SJ's and SP's after Masses £6 for adults and £3 for children. All profits will be donated to Fr Peter's Lenten Challenge House Appeal.



COLLECTION COUNT: for March: *with grateful thanks*
Gift Aid £367.00 Non Gift Aid £1047:86 SO £3356.50
St. Joseph's Care £396:89 Sanctuary Lamp £40:00
CAFOD Family Fast: £1129:37

Please pray for all who have died recently, especially Maria Poyner, Mary Billington and Moira Roberts, and those whose anniversaries occur about this time Jean McAlister, Bernard Trewick, Hilda Butterworth, Dennis Warburton and William Peter Plant

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 Meskell, Anne Meyer, George Morgan, Pat Moss, Molly Murphy, Zivile Petraviciute, 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 (*One week to chocolate cereal. 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. Easter Cards and First Holy Communion Cards and Gifts now 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 19th / 20th April

Readers Sat Vigil: Vigil Readers **Sun 9.15am:** Maria Hall

Meet and Greet Sat Vigil: P Huskinson & D Warwick **Sun 9.15am:** M Skene & M Lehman