

St. Joseph's and St. Peter's

The Roman Catholic Parishes of Ansdell & Lytham

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Seventh Sunday of Easter 'A' 16th/17th May 2026

“I believe I shall see the Lord's goodness in the land of the living”

Weekend 16th/17th May: Seventh Sunday of Easter 'A'

Saturday 16th 2pm St. Joseph's First Holy Communion Mass Deceased of O'Dea Family

6pm St. Joseph's Mass People of the Parishes

Sunday 17th 9:15am St. Joseph's Mass Pat Kay

10:30am St. Peter's Mass John Nolan

Monday 18th 9am St. Peter's Mass John and Isobel Morrison *followed by Exposition and Confessions till 10am*

Tuesday 19th 10am St. Joseph's Mass Tony and Damian Crean *preceded by Exposition and Confessions till 9:55am*

6:30pm St. Peter's Holy Hour with Rosary and Benediction

Wednesday 20th 9am St. Peter's Mass Brenda Brierley

Thursday 21st 10am St. Joseph's Mass Patrick Hicks

Weekend 23rd/24th May: Pentecost Sunday 'A'

Saturday 23rd 12noon St. Joseph's Wedding Service for Christopher and Amelia

6pm St. Joseph's Mass Brian Green

Sunday 24th 9:15am St. Joseph's Mass Sandra

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 and Tuesday 9:30-9:50am at St. Joseph's

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

This Sunday's Readings: Jesus prepares his disciples for his return to the Father. He prays that they may share in the same eternal life that is the glory he shares with his Father. We pray that we too may receive that life as we share in the Eucharist he gave us.

First Reading Acts 1:12-14 When Jesus leaves his disciples they return to Jerusalem and gather together in continuous prayer.

Second Reading 1 Peter 4:13-16 We are to be glad if we can have some share in the sufferings of Christ.

Gospel John 17:1-11 The time has come for Jesus to be glorified as he returns to his Father.

Message from Father Peter: Talking about the Ten Commandments last week reminded me of a little poem that I was once told to remember them, which I managed to hunt out on the internet – the Google search for which brought up a couple of other religious mnemonic poems which might be useful!

The Ten Commandments: Above all else love God alone; / Bow down to neither wood nor stone. / God's name refuse to take in vain; / The Sabbath rest with care maintain. / Respect your parents all your days; / Hold sacred human life always. / Be loyal to your chosen mate; / Steal nothing neither small nor great. / Report, with truth, your neighbour's deed; / And rid your mind of selfish greed.

The Lord's Prayer: Our Father in heaven, / We hallow Your name. / We hope for Your kingdom, / And follow Your aim. / Please give us our bread, / And forgive what we do, / As we love and forgive, / And keep coming to You. / Protect us from evil, / And make our hearts true. / For the kingdom is Yours, / And we follow You. / *Amen.*

New Testament Books. Matthew, Mark, Luke and John Tell of Christ, his life they trace; / Acts shows the Holy Spirit's work; And Romans how we're saved by grace. / Corinthians instructs the church, Galatians shows God's grace alone; / Ephesians, how we are "in Christ," Philippians, Christ's joys made known. / Colossians portrays Christ exalted. And Thessalonians tells the end. / In Timothy and Titus both, Are rules for pastors to attend. / Philemon pictures charity, Thirteen Epistles, penned by Paul. / The Jewish law prefigured Christ; And Hebrews clearly shows it all. / James shows that faith by works must live, And Peter urges steadfastness, / While John exhorts to Christian love; And those who live it, God will bless. / Jude shows the end of evil men, While Revelation tells of heaven. / These end the whole New Testament; In all, they number twenty-seven.

And to memorize the **Seven Sacraments**, a commonly used mnemonic is **Mr. Beach**: Marriage, Reconciliation, Baptism, Eucharist, Anointing of the Sick, Confirmation, Holy Orders.



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Seventh Sunday of Easter 16th – 17th May 2026



Eucharist

Congratulations to our Holy Communion Children who this weekend celebrate this great sacrament for the first time, and lead our masses on Sunday. May God bless them at this important stage in the journeys of faith.

Third Tuesday of the Month at SJSP's This Tuesday 19th May: Holy Hour with Rosary & Benediction: St. Peter's at 6:30pm

The Food Bank: Contributions are most welcome, and still most necessary. **Please bring stuff to Masses or to the Presbytery at any time.**

Safeguarding: It is important to ensure that any parishioners who are involved in any role within the Parish are covered by the Safeguarding process. If you are new to a role or are unsure whether you are covered or have any questions, there are opportunities to talk to our Safeguarding Representatives over the next couple of weeks at the back of Church. Many thanks for your co-operation!

Save the Date(s)! Up and Coming Social Events for our Two Parishes are displayed on our noticeboards at the back of Churches.
Songs of Praise and Strawberry Tea: Sunday 12th July at 3pm at SJ's
Family BBQ: Sunday 6th September in SJ's Grounds
Preston band Concert: Saturday 19th September at 7:30pm at SP's
Race Night: Saturday 3rd October at 7:430pm at SJ's
Sunday Lunch at the Bedford: Sunday 1st November
Christmas Fair: Sunday 6th December at SP's
Fr. P.'s Family Nativity: Sunday 20th December at 3pm SJ's

Exciting Job Vacancy in Preston: Chaplaincy Team Member. Metanoia Project provide full time Chaplaincy Services to a local Catholic High School and full time provision for Students and Young Adults in the City Centre in connection with the University of Lancashire. We are looking for an enthusiastic and competent person to assist in providing the most engaging, Christ-centred and fruitful ministry possible in both settings. Accommodation available if required. Full details of salary and benefits are listed in the Application Pack on our website <https://metanoiaproject.co.uk/chaplaincy-team-member/>. Closing Date Friday 22nd May. Further information from Ruth White 07878 832457 ruth@metanoiaproject.co.uk

Thinking of Becoming a Priest? Come to the day of recollection and discernment! The day is for single men 16 years or over who are considering priesthood: Saturday 30 May 12.15pm – 2.30pm at St Peter's Cathedral, Balmoral Road, Lancaster LA1 3BT. Gather in the Cathedral for Mass at 12.15, followed by lunch and meeting with Bishop Paul. To book email Heather: Heather.Watts@lrccd.org.uk or Tel: 01524 841190. There is no charge. As well as meeting the Bishop, you will have the opportunity to get to know how discernment works and who can assist you. You will also meet many others from across the Diocese exploring a vocation to priesthood.



COLLECTION COUNT: for April: *with grateful thanks*
Gift Aid £222.50 Non Gift Aid £1101.33 SO £2951.00
St. Joseph's Care £279.55 Specials Gift Aid £46.81 Non Gift Aid £134.05. Easter Flowers £25

Please pray for all who have died recently especially Peter Joseph Newton and Sarah McNamara and those whose anniversaries occur about this time Wyn Jenkinson, Julie Meechan, Mark McMahon, Peter Beesley, Mildred Myerscough and John Downing.

Please pray for the sick and housebound of the Parish, especially: Paul Bunyan, Michael Cookson, Andrew Cox, Damian Crean, Ann Cullen & The Cullen Family, Theresa and Denis Flannigan, 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, Paul Robinson, Val Sunderland, Alison Singleton, Margaret Spillane, Susan Standing, Mandi Taylor, 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. (*And toast, never forget the toast. 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. **Children's Prayer Books 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. All welcome. **Thursday at 10:30am** in Church.

Rotas for weekend 23rd / 24th May

Readers Sat 6pm: Catherine Ralston Sun.9.15am: Susan Brown

Meet and Greet Sat 6pm: Sheila and Paul

Sun 9.15am: M Skene and M Lehman

9:15am Minister Jake