

St. Joseph's and St. Peter's

The Roman Catholic Parishes of Ansdell & Lytham

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16th Sunday in Ordinary Time 20th July 2025

“O Lord, who may abide in your tent?”

Weekend 19th/20th July Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday 19 th	6pm	St. Joseph's	Mass Norah and Jack Shortt
Sunday 20 th	9:15am	St. Joseph's	Mass People of the Parish
	10:30am	St. Peter's	Mass Joe Ainsworth

Monday 21 st	9am	St. Peter's	Mass Brian Matthews followed by Expositions and Confessions till 10am
Tuesday 22 nd	10am	St. Joseph's	Mass Bill Cookson preceded by Exposition and Confessions till 9:55am
Wednesday 23 rd	9am	St. Peter's	Mass Pauline and Francis Williamson
Thursday 24 th	10am	No Mass this morning	

Weekend 26th/27th July Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday 26 th	6pm	St. Joseph's	Mass A Special Intention
Sunday 27 th	9:15am	St. Joseph's	Mass Thomas and Norah Jackson
	10:30am	St. Peter's	Mass People of the Parish

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: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The scripture at Mass today asks us to reflect on the personal welcome we give in our lives to God; and specifically to Jesus Christ.

First Reading *Genesis 18:1-10* God visits Abraham. We see how Abraham greets and receives God, and how God promises to reward him.

Second Reading *Colossians 1:24-28* Paul writes to the Christians at Colossae about the living Christ, and how he is still present among us.

Gospel *Luke 10:38-42* In the Gospel we find Martha waiting on Christ, and her sister simply spending time with him.

Message from Father Peter: Well, the Summer Holidays may have started, but the Liturgical Calendar takes no rest at all, and this week is one of those weeks which has a Saint for every day! So here goes...

Monday 21st is the Memorial of St. Laurence of Brindisi, a priest and doctor of the 6th Century Church in Italy, who travelled throughout Europe, preaching and teaching (he was an impressive linguist, and was able to preach to Jewish communities in Hebrew), and promoting much needed reform in the Church

Tuesday 22nd is the Feast of Saint Mary Magdalen, whose life we know was completely changed by encounter with the Lord, and because of her faithfulness to Christ throughout his ministry and death on the cross was granted the first appearance of Christ at his Resurrection, and was also the first to be charged with the mission to tell others about the Risen Christ.

Wednesday 23rd is the Feast of St. Bridget of Sweden, born into the upper echelons of society in Sweden in the 14th Century, having eight children, before, after her husband's death, devoting her life to work for the Church, eventually going to Rome where she founded the religious order known as the Bridgettines (any of you who have visited the English College in Rome where I trained might have noticed the Bridgettine Convent next door, where as students we used to go and serve Benediction on a Sunday afternoon, and were rewarded with luscious cakes).

Thursday 24th is the Memorial of the Saint John Boste, Blessed Christopher Robinson, and his companions, the Martyrs of Cumbria, ten men, from all walks of life, from the present country of Cumbria. Today we pray that their deaths, in the words of St. John Boste, 'may speak in our hearts'.

Friday 25th is the Feast of St. James, the Apostle, brother of John, a Son of Zebedee, who was one of the first Apostles to be martyred in 44AD.

Saturday 26th is the Memorial of Saint Joachim and Anne, the parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary, whose names come from the earliest traditions of the Church (they are not mentioned in the Scriptures), which tell us that Anne conceived in her old age, and in gratitude, served God in his Temple.

So many different, incredible people, whose lives on earth can inspire us, and whose prayers can help us journey to be with them in heaven. Amen!



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As requested, Large Print newsletters and missalettes are available at the back of Church.

End of the Academic Year: as the School Year ends we wish all our Learners, Teachers and Staff a well-earned happy and relaxing holiday after a wonderful year. We especially say a fond farewell to Year 6 as they move on to pastures new, and look forward to welcoming a new Reception Class in September.

Burkina Faso: our annual appeal is now open and envelopes for donations are available at the back of church which can be returned via the offertory collection. So far, we have supported the Bernardine Community by helping to build and furnish a church, provide livestock and agricultural items, new lectionaries and improved printing facilities. We committed to support the community in our centenary year so please be as generous you can to provide the Bernardines with continued vital funding to support their mission. The appeal will remain open until 7 September. *E. Gillett*

A Message from St. Peter's School: *A Heartfelt Thank You. We would like to extend our sincere thanks to St Peter's St. Vincent de Paul Society and St Joseph's Care Group for their continued support of our school families. Your generous donations of cash and supermarket vouchers make a real difference—especially during the school holidays—by helping to ease the financial pressures many families face. Your kindness and compassion are deeply appreciated. Thank you for being a vital part of our community.*

SJSP Ukulele Orchestra: still strumming away every Monday. This week back at SP's Hall at 7pm.

Notices from Castlerigg: Castlerigg Manor is a Retreat Centre in the Lake District, owned by our Diocese, and this summer we are opening their doors to family groups, individuals and other small groups. There are single rooms, twin rooms, and large family rooms at very cheap rates. Guests have access to the grounds, chapel, games room, and lounges, with Keswick and the Lake only a short walk away. Book at <https://castleriggmanor.com/open/> or contact director@castleriggmanor.co.uk. Once again, we are having an Open Day this September. It's happening on Sunday 14th September. Doors will open at Midday and there will be Mass with Bishop Paul at 2pm.

Diocesan Centenary Prayer: Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom. May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally. May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever



COLLECTION COUNT: for June: *with grateful thanks*
Gift Aid £3899.20 Non Gift Aid £2461.30 SO £3720.50
St. Joseph's Care £505.07 Specials Gift Aid £155.91

Please pray for all who have died recently, and those whose anniversaries occur about this time Marion Shaw, Edward Burke, Sheila Norman and Louise Sykes

Please pray for the sick and housebound of the Parish, especially: Paul Bunyan, Michael Cookson, Andrew Cox, Damian Crean, 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 (*Outside or inside depending on the weather. 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: Back at the beginning of September, every Thursday after 10am Mass in Church, for this beautiful prayer.

Rotas for Weekend 26th/27th July

Readers

Sat Vigil: Edwina Gillett **Sun 9.15am:** Anne Waters

Meet and Greet

Sat Vigil: P Huskinson & David Warwick **Sun 9.15am:** T Cookson and M Golightly