

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

## The Roman Catholic Parishes of Ansdell & Lytham

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### Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time 'A' 20<sup>th</sup>/21<sup>st</sup> June 2026

“In your great mercy, answer me, O Lord”

Weekend 20<sup>th</sup>/21<sup>st</sup> June: Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time 'A'

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> 6pm St. Joseph's Mass People of the Parishes

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> 9:15am St. Joseph's Mass Andrew Quinn  
10:30am St. Peter's Mass Judith Cross

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> 9am St. Peter's Mass Dec'd of Stephenson & Spafford Fam. *followed by Exposition and Confessions till 10am*

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> 10am St. Joseph's Mass Yvonne Battersby *preceded by Exposition and Confessions till 9:55am*  
11:15am St. Peter's Funeral Service for Gerard Butler

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> 9am St. Peter's Mass John Hallion

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> 10am St. Joseph's Mass Zoe McLaughlin

Weekend 27<sup>th</sup>/28<sup>th</sup> June: The Feast of Saints Peter and Paul

Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> 6pm St. Joseph's Mass People of the Parish

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> 9:15am St. Joseph's Mass Robert Coward  
10:30am St. Peter's Mass In Loving Memory of Genevieve Borovicka

**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:** We gather to celebrate the Eucharist aware that we meet Jesus Christ in word and sacrament; through him we receive the free gift of God's grace.

**First Reading *Jeremiah 20:10-13*** The prophet Jeremiah speaks of the terror that is all around him, but praises the Lord who defends his cause and protects him.

**Second Reading *Romans 5:12-15*** St Paul tells of how the sin of Adam is overcome by the grace that comes to us in Jesus Christ.

**Gospel *Matthew 10:26-33*** Jesus instructs his disciples about their mission, reminding them not to be afraid.

**Message from Father Peter:** Recently a Parishioner gave me this prayer. It is so modern in its outlook that it is a surprise that it is actually a Nun's Prayer – from the Seventeenth Century! I think it should be framed and put up in every presbytery!

*Lord, thou knowest better than I know myself that I am growing older and will some day be old.*

*Keep me from the fatal habit of thinking I must say something on every subject and on every occasion.*

*Release me from craving to straighten out everybody's affairs.*

*Make me thoughtful but not moody; helpful but not bossy.*

*With my vast store of wisdom, it seems a pity not to use it all, but Thou knowest Lord, that I want a few friends at the end.*

*Keep my mind free from the recital of endless details; give me wings to get to the point.*

*Seal my lips on my aches and pains. They are increasing and love of rehearsing them is becoming sweeter as the years go by.*

*I dare not ask for grace enough to enjoy the tales of other's pains, but help me to endure them with patience.*

*I dare not ask for improved memory, but for a growing humility and a lessening cocksureness when my memory seems to clash with the memories of others.*

*Teach me the glorious lesson that occasionally I may be mistaken.*

*Keep me reasonably sweet; I do not want to be a saint – some of them are so hard to live with – but a sour old person is one of the crowning works of the Devil.*

*Give me the ability to see good things in unexpected places and talents in unexpected people. And, give me, O Lord, the grace to tell them so. Amen.*



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## Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time 20<sup>th</sup>/21<sup>st</sup> June 2026

**Next Sunday is the Feast of St. Peter and Paul, transferred from Monday 29<sup>th</sup>.** On Monday at 9am at SP's we will celebrate a whole School Mass for our Patronal Feast.

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

**Congratulations** to our old friend Christopher Sumner who has been Ordained Deacon in Rome for this Diocese of Lancaster. We wish him Prayers and Blessings in his forthcoming ministry. Let us pray also for Stephen Bamber who is to be ordained Priest for the Diocese on June 27<sup>th</sup> in Lancaster Cathedral. May the Lord bless him in his final preparations to receive the Sacrament of Holy Orders. Hope for the future!

**Songs of Praise and Strawberry Tea: Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> July at 3pm at SJ's:** forms to suggest your favourite hymn to be sung and played at this jolly gathering are available at the back of Church, and can be placed in the box. **Tickets for the Strawberry Tea are available after Masses this weekend.**

**Lytham Club Day 2026.** Everyone is invited to walk in the Lytham Club Day procession to represent the parish, along with our school, this year. **Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June. Meet outside church from 9.30am.** Procession starts at 10.15am. All welcome. And don't forget the Ecumenical **Songs of Praise** the following day at Lytham Hall at 3pm.

**Burkino Faso 2026:** the collection continues and envelopes are available at the back of Church.

**St Joseph's & St Peters Sunday Lunch 1st November 1pm at The Bedford Hotel.** Forms available after masses for (very) early bookings!

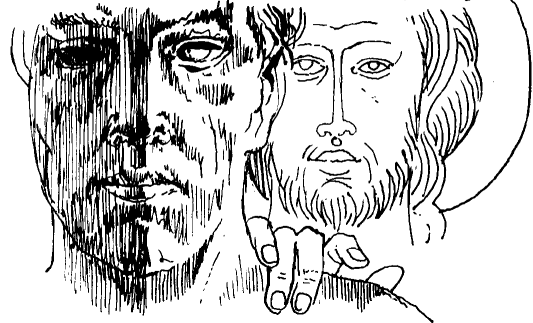
**World Cup Sweepstake: £10 per team!** Please contact Si Cox on 07900 225364 if you would like a team Or, come into the hall after 9.15am mass for further details! All proceeds to Parish Funds!

**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> is the Feast in England and Wales of Saints John Fisher & Thomas More.** John Fisher was born in 1469 and after his studies in Cambridge University was ordained priest. Later he became Bishop of Rochester and was an outstanding pastor, writing against the doctrinal errors of the time. Thomas More was born in 1478 and studied at Oxford and at Lincoln's Inn. He was called to the Bar in 1501 and three years later entered Parliament, where he was very successful. He married twice and had four children from his first marriage. Under Henry VIII he became Lord Chancellor. He opposed many of the King's measures against the Catholics and was imprisoned in the Tower of London. On 15 June 1535 John Fisher was beheaded and Thomas More suffered the same fate on 6 July.

**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 12<sup>th</sup> July at 3pm at SJ's
- Family BBQ: Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> September in SJ's Grounds
- Preston band Concert: Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> September at 7:30pm at SP's
- Race Night: Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> October at 7:430pm at SJ's
- Sunday Lunch at the Bedford: Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> November
- Christmas Fair: Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> December at SP's
- Fr. P.'s Family Nativity: Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> December at 3pm SJ's

## DO NOT BE AFRAID



**COLLECTION COUNT:** for May: *with grateful thanks*  
Gift Aid £501 Non Gift Aid £2034:88 SO £3081  
St. Joseph's Care £436:67 Specials Gift Aid £78:50  
Non Gift Aid £17.00 Easter Flowers £25 Burkina Faso £430:00

**Please pray for all who have died recently** especially Gerard Butler, and those whose anniversaries occur about this time Barbara Wetherby, Audrey Valentine, Joan Dumble, Jack Shortt, Andrew Quinn, Fr. Tim Sullivan, Helen Cheetham, Dennis Smith, Fr. Bob Halshaw, Brian Watson, Elizabeth Bowles, Denis Peyton, Midge Vile, Yvonne Battersby and Frankie Hughes

**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 Gleason, Pat Heeny, Christopher Hunter, Peter Jones, Sr Kay, Caroline Ledward, Margaret Long, Maureen Lundy, Pat Marion, Zoe Mc Laughlin, 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.

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

**COFFEE & BACON BUTTIES** after 9.15am Mass this week. *(veggie options available.)*

**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 27<sup>th</sup>/28<sup>th</sup> June**

**Readers** Sat 6pm: Ellie Sullivan Sun. 9.15am: Maria Hall

**Meet and Greet** Sat 6pm: O & J Baker

Sun 9.15am: M Skene and M Lehman

**9:15am Minister** Susan