

St. Joseph's and St. Peter's

The Roman Catholic Parishes of Ansdell & Lytham

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Twenty Sixth Sunday of the Year 28th September 2025

“Remember your compassion, O Lord”

Weekend 27th/28th 26th Sunday of the Year

Saturday 27 th	6pm	St. Joseph's	Mass Alan Hesketh Birthday Remembrance
Sunday 28 th	9:15am	St. Joseph's	Mass People of the Parish
	10:30am	St. Peter's	Mass Mr and Mrs. J Matthews

Monday 29 th	9am	St. Peter's	Mass Pauline Whitlow <i>followed by Expositions and Confessions till 10am</i>
Tuesday 30 th	10am	St. Joseph's	Mass Michael Wren Hilton <i>preceded by Exposition and Confessions till 9:55am</i>
Wednesday 1 st	10am	Saltcotes Cemetery	Mass Sr. Philomena Power
	6pm	St. Joseph's	Mothers Prayers
Thursday 2 nd	10am	St. Joseph's	Mass Chris Thompson
Friday 3 rd	2pm	St. Joseph's	Mass and Sacrament of the Sick Mary Chesworth

Weekend 4th/5th 27th Sunday of the Year

Saturday 4 th	12noon	St. Peter's	Wedding Service for Dorothy and Sean
	6pm	St. Joseph's	Mass People of the Parish
Sunday 5 th	9:15am	St. Joseph's	Mass Ron Rawstron
	10:30am	St. Peter's	Mass Harrison Bretherton

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: Today's Gospel invites us to listen to the message of the Law and the Prophets. As we begin this celebration, let us open our hearts to the word of God, so that it might be the light that guides our lives.

First Reading Amos 6:1, 4-7 A stark warning: the self-satisfied rich will be the first to be punished.

Second Reading 1 Timothy 6:11-16 Paul encourages Timothy to persevere in doing what is right.

Gospel Luke 16:19-31 It is not enough to do no harm. To be human means responding to the needs of others.

Message from Father Peter: And once again this Friday is the First Friday of the Month (are there two First Fridays every month, or am I just getting old?), which means of course we have our Healing Mass held at SJ's with Anointing of the Sick, followed by refreshments in the Hall. Of course, we could have this Mass any day of the month at all, but First Friday's have a special place in the devotional life of the Church. In the seventeenth century Our Lord appeared to Margaret Mary Alogue between 1673 and 1675, at the Convent of the Visitation in Paray-le-Monial, in the middle of France (not far from the town of Ars, known to us as being the home Parish of the great Patron of Priests in Parishes, St. John Vianney) during which Our Lord revealed to Margaret his Most Sacred Heart, symbolising his love for mankind, which was so often sadly rejected. Our Lord encouraged Margaret to spread devotion to his Most Sacred Heart, one way of which was to make a devotion of nine First Fridays in Reparation for sins against the Sacred Heart of Jesus. In the words of St. Margaret: 'On Friday during Holy Communion, "He said these words to His unworthy slave, if I mistake not: 'I promise you in the excessive mercy of My Heart that Its all-powerful love will grant to all those who receive Holy Communion on nine first Fridays of consecutive months the grace of final repentance; they will not die under My displeasure or without receiving their sacraments, My divine Heart making Itself their assured refuge at the last moment.'" Traditionally as well as receiving Holy Communion you go to Confession, although it is also said that this is only necessary if you conscientiously believe it to be so. As we have a First Friday Mass, when not make this beautiful devotion a part of your regular prayer life? I'm usually around beforehand if you would like confession, also. This is St. Margaret's Prayer to the Sacred Heart: 'Lord Jesus, let my heart never rest until it finds You, who are its centre, its love, and its happiness. By the wound in Your heart pardon the sins that I have committed whether out of malice or out of evil desires. Place my weak heart in your own divine heart, continually under your protection and guidance, so that I may persevere in doing good and in fleeing evil until my last breath. Amen.'



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28th September 2025 26th Sunday of the Year

First Week of the Month at SJSP's

Please join us for these wonderful liturgies!

Wednesday 1st October:

Mass at Saltcotes Cemetery at 10am.

Mothers Prayers 6pm in SJ's

*All welcome to pray with and for Mothers and families,
and all our intentions*

Friday 3rd October: First Friday Mass &

Anointing of the Sick at St. Joseph's at 2pm,
followed by Refreshments in the Parish Hall.

**Monday 6th October: Evening Prayer
and Benediction at St. Peter's at 7pm**

Please note that while Fr. Peter Hart is in Hospital and recovering from his Operation, I will be covering the 5pm Mass at Star of the Sea, so will not be around to welcome for the 6pm, and apologies for any breathlessness at the evening celebration! Please pray for Fr. Peter that he continues to make an excellent recovery.

Lancaster Cathedral Mass for the Centenary of the Diocese Sat 18th October at 11.30am. Each church has been allocated 2 tickets. If you would like to go please sign up, **in pairs**, on the sheet at the back of each Church. If necessary, I will draw names out of a biretta

CAFOD Harvest Day Appeal: this Friday is Harvest Family Fast Day. We will have speaker from CAFOD at our Masses, and envelopes are available which can be returned at any time, or put in the collection next week. Your generosity offers signs of hope in this Jubilee Year. Many thanks in anticipation.

SJSP Ukulele Orchestra: still strumming away at St. Peter's on Monday evenings, and everyone welcome. Watch this space for exciting news about our Christmas Album.

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 22 November 10am – 4pm at the Cathedral in Lancaster. The day will include Mass, adoration, guided prayer, talks to assist discernment, lunch. To book email Heather: Heather.Watts@lrcd.org.uk or Tel: 01524 841190. There is no charge.



COLLECTION COUNT: for August (weeks 1-4): *with grateful thanks* Gift Aid £313.50 Non Gift Aid £1838.25 SO £2978.50 St. Joseph's Care £337.13 Specials Gift Aid £23.65

Please pray for all who have died recently, especially Fr. John Baron, and those whose anniversaries occur about this time, Brenda Windsor, Greta Turner, Vera bullough, Michael Wren-Hilton, Robert Thatcher, Jim Cartmell, Fr. Kevin Lowry, Jack Donellan, Edward Anthony Harrison, Brent Karam and Betty Tattersall

Please pray for the sick and housebound of the Parish, especially: Paul Bunyan, Michael Cookson, Andrew Cox, Damian Crean, Judith Cross, Ann Cullen & The Cullen Family, Rosaline Fox, Cathy Gaughan, Patrick Gilligan, Fr. Peter Hart, 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 Petraviute, Bob Osachuk, 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 (*Nice one. 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, by our Lady's Altar.

Rotas for Weekend 3rd / 4th September

Readers

Sat Vigil: K and T Godden **Sun 9.15am:** Wanda Kruszynska

Meet and Greet Sat Vigil: M & D Ghee **Sun 9.15am:** P Benning and M Herron