

St. Joseph's and St. Peter's

The Roman Catholic Parishes of Ansdell & Lytham

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Fourth Sunday in Lent 'C' 30th March 2025

"Taste and see that the Lord is good."

Weekend 29th/30th March Fourth Sunday in Lent Year 'C'

Saturday 29th 6pm St. Joseph's Mass Roseanne Scott
Sunday 30th 9:15am St. Joseph's Mass People of the Parishes
 10:30am St. Peter's Mass Annie Gallagher

Monday 31st 9am St. Peter's Mass Frank Devine followed by Exposition and Confession till 9:55am
 7pm St. Peter's Stations of the Cross and Benediction

Tuesday 1st 10am St. Joseph's Mass Tom Carter preceded by Exposition and Confession till 9:55am
 12:15pm St. Peter's Funeral Service for Joan Woodcock
 7pm St. Joseph's Stations of the Cross and Benediction

Wednesday 2nd 10am Saltcotes Cemetery Chapel Fr. Billy Bootle

Thursday 3rd 10am St. Joseph's Mass John Gornall
 2pm Lytham Crematorium Service for Theresa Jeffs

Friday 2pm St. Joseph's Mass and Sacrament of the Sick Roseanne and Philip Scott

Weekend 5th/6th April Fifth Sunday in Lent Year 'C'

Saturday 5th 6pm St. Joseph's Mass People of the Parishes
Sunday 6th 9:15am St. Joseph's Mass The Shaw Family
 10:30am St. Peter's Mass For a dear sister who is very ill

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

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

Palm Sunday 13th April

St. Joseph's 6pm Saturday Vigil Mass, Sunday St. Joseph's 9:15am, St. Peter's 10:30am

Palms will be blessed and distributed at all Masses

Monday 14th April: St. Peter's 9am Mass, Confessions & Exposition till 10am Stations of the Cross at 7pm

Tuesday 15th April: St. Joseph's 10am Mass, Confessions & Exposition 9:30-9:50am Stations of the Cross at 7pm

Wednesday 16th April: St. Peter's 9am Mass

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

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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A Poem, for Mothering Sunday: Two Mothers

Long time ago, so I have been told,
 Two angels once met on streets paved with gold.
 "By the stars in your crown," said the one to the other
 "I see that on earth, you too, were a mother.

And by, the blue-tinted halo you wear
 You, too, have known sorrow and deepest despair..."
 "Ah yes," she replied, "I once had a son,
 A sweet little lad, full of laughter and fun."

"But tell of your child." "Oh, I knew I was blessed
 From the moment I first held him close to my breast,
 And my heart almost burst with the joy of that day."
 "Ah, yes," said the other, "I felt the same way."

The former continued: "The first steps he took-
 So eager and breathless; the sweet startled look
 Which came over his face - he trusted me so."
 "Ah, yes," said the other, "How well do I know"

"But soon he had grown to a tall handsome boy,
 So stalwart and kind - and it gave me so much joy
 To have him just walk down the street by my side"
 "Ah yes," said the other mother, "I felt the same pride."

"How often I shielded and spared him from pain
 And when he for others was so cruelly slain,
 When they crucified him - and they spat in his face
 How gladly would I have hung there in his place!"

A moment of silence - "Oh then you are she -
 The mother of Christ"; and she fell on one knee.
 But the Blessed one raised her up, drawing her near,
 And kissed from the cheek of the woman, a tear.

"Tell me the name of the son you love so,
 That I may share with your grief and your woe."
 She lifted her eyes, looking straight at the other,
 "He was Judas Iscariot: I am his mother."

Mary, on this day when we honour all mothers, we turn to you. Never has it been known that anyone who sought your intercession was left unaided by grace. On this Mother's day, Mother of the Word Incarnate, pray for us who have recourse to you. Through your Son, who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.



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Fourth Sunday in Lent 30th March

Lent 2025 at St. Joseph's and St. Peter's

Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament:

Saturday St. Joseph's 5pm-5:50pm St. Peter's 4pm-5pm

Confessions will be available Next Weekend at these times

Stations of the Cross and Benediction:

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

Mothers Prayer Group (and everyone else welcome)

Wednesdays in SJ's at 7pm for half an hour's prayer

Lenten Prayer followed by Soup and a Roll

Friday 4th April at 12noon in SJ's Hall (please sign up)

Lenten Service of Reconciliation

(with Our Lady's St. Annes) Thursday 10th April 7pm at SJ's

First Reconciliation and Holy Communion: The sixth session for Candidates is this Monday in SJ's hall at 6pm. Please pray for our children on this important step in their faith journeys.

Fr Peter's Lenten Challenge House Appeal: I am trying to raise £3000 to build a house! 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.

Message from Fr. Philip Newbold. U have completed 22 of the 40 days of The Lent walk for Aid to the Church in Need project for Syrian and Lebanese displaced. Please consider sponsorship re. sponsor forms at the back of Church, and include your address if you wish to Gift Aid. All monies will be collected after easter. Thank you.

On 4th April 2025 our friends Team Elston (Mike, Joe, Dan and Tom) will be sleeping on the cobbles of St Johns Square in Blackpool Town Centre to raise awareness about youth homelessness and much needed funds to support the small local charity Streetlife. They run the only emergency night shelter in Blackpool for young people aged 16-25 who may find themselves with nowhere safe to sleep. We would appreciate any support you can offer, either by cash donations at mass or via our JustGiving page at <https://www.justgiving.com/page/team-elston25>

St. Peter's Wednesday 9th April at 6:30pm It's Bingo Night!

Adults £3, Children £1 for 6 games of bingo! BYO drinks & snacks
Proceeds from the evening to go to our joint parishes Club Day funds.

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.

SJSP's mini Pilgrimage to Lourdes this Summer. Four nights 3rd-7th June, £650 sharing, £749 single. Forms available from FrP and Deacon D now if anyone would like to come along! If you have a form, please return deposits and forms to FrP or Deacon D. *Our Lady of Lourdes, Pray for us.*



COLLECTION COUNT: for February : *with grateful thanks*
Gift Aid £388.00 Non Gift Aid £1030.92 SO £3134.50
St. Joseph's Care £661.05 Specials £60.55 Donation £1000

Please pray for all who have died recently, especially Mary Billington, Moira Roberts, Joan Woodcock and Theresa Jeffs, and those whose anniversaries occur about this time Jean Leonard, Martha Graylaw, Margaret Brindle, Thomas Errington, Pope John Paul II, Andrew Zacharias, Mary Jackson, Fr. Frank Flynn, Jean Wren-Hilton and Jean McAlister.

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 (*All Bran doesn't count as 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 a visit, or Holy Commnion 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, for this beautiful prayer.

Rotas for Weekend 6th / 7th April

Readers Sat Vigil: Catherine Ralston **Sun 9.15am:** Peter Benning

Meet and Greet

Sat Vigil: C. Williams & M. Taylor **Sun 9.15am:** M. Cookson and M.Reid