

St. Joseph's and St. Peter's

The Roman Catholic Parishes of Ansdell & Lytham

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22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time 31st August 2025

“In your goodness, O God, you provided a home for the poor.”

Weekend 30th/31st August Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday 30th 1:30pm St. Joseph's **Wedding Service** for Daniel and Laura

6pm St. Joseph's **Mass** John Scally

Sunday 31st 9:15am St. Joseph's **Mass** Liam Herron; Tony Crean

10:30am St. Peter's **Mass** People of the Parish

Monday 1st 9am St. Peter's **Mass** Mary Josephine Buckley *followed by Expositions and Confessions till 10am*

7pm St. Joseph's **Vespers and Benediction**

Tuesday 2nd 10am St. Joseph's **Mass** Deceased of O'Dea Family *preceded by Exposition and Confessions till 9:55am*

2pm St. Peter's **Mass** with St. Bede's Year 7 for a Blessed School Year

Wednesday 3rd 10am **Salcotes Cemetery** **Mass** Sister Mary Parkinson

Thursday 4th 10am St. Joseph's **Mass** For a very sick person

Friday 5th 11am St. Joseph's **Requiem Mass** for Mary Patricia Reed

2pm St. Joseph's **Mass and Sacrament of the Sick** Robert Lo

Weekend 6th/7th August Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

6pm St. Joseph's **Mass** People of the Parish

Sunday 7th 9:15am St. Joseph's **Mass** Peter Page

10:30am St. Peter's **Mass** Deceased of Worsley Family

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 tells us that those who humble themselves will be exalted. In our Mass today we focus on humility, the source of all spiritual progress.

First Reading *Ecclesiasticus 3:17-20, 28-29* Ben Sirach, the author of this book, calls for a gentle and humble spirit.

Second Reading *Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24* Our pilgrimage journey brings us ever closer to “the heavenly Jerusalem” where everyone is a “first-born son”.

Gospel *Luke 14:1, 7-14* By means of a parable, Jesus underlines the vital importance of humility for his followers.

Message from Father Peter: And so the long Summer Holiday draws to a close, and our schools reopen this week for the new Academic Year. As we wish them well and say a prayer for them all, it might be nice to look at a few of the Patron saints appropriate to this time of year, for which there are several:

Firstly we have St. John Bosco, who, during the nineteenth century in Italy, especially Turin, he dedicated his life to helping disadvantaged young people, seeking to teach with love and hope, rather than punishment. When he was canonized in 1929 he was given the title ‘Father and Teacher of Youth’.

St. Gemma Galgani is also Patron of Students, an Italian Mystic of the twentieth century, who was an excellent student at school, but suffered with much illness throughout her life, and when she was orphaned at the age of nineteen, looked after and educated her younger brothers and sisters. She was a mystic who received the stigmata of Our Lord, and was canonized in 1940.

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton is Patron Saint of Catholic Schools and Teachers; at the beginning of the eighteenth century she founded the first Catholic Girls' School in America - and was the first American to be Canonized.

And for those off to University, let's mention their Patron Saint, the great Thomas Aquinas, the amazing Theologian and poet, whose theology on the Eucharist is so important to us – as well as his great Eucharistic hymns we which still sing today.

God Our Father, as we begin this new Academic Year, we place into your hands all who work in our Schools, our Teachers, our Staff, and our Students. May everything they do be infused with a spirit of your love, that, together we may all grow in knowledge and love of all you have created, and in knowledge and love of you and your Son Jesus, who, united with the Holy Spirit, are one God, living and true, for ever and ever. Amen



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First Week of the Month at SJSP's

Please join us for these wonderful liturgies!

**Monday 1st September: Evening Prayer
and Benediction at St. Joseph's at 7pm**

**Wednesday 3rd September: Mass at
Saltcotes Cemetery at 10am.**

**Wednesday 3rd September: 6pm in SJ's
Mothers Prayers**

*A peaceful and welcoming space to pray for our children, families, schools, and wider community.
You don't have to be a mother to come – everyone is welcome, whether you're a parent, grandparent,
carer, teacher, or simply someone who wants to pray for others. Come as you are, bring your
intentions, and take a moment to rest in God's presence with others.*

**Friday 5th September: First Friday Mass
& Anointing of the Sick at St. Joseph's at 2pm,
followed by Refreshments in the Parish Hall.**

St. Bede's Year 7 Mass: we welcome our new students to Mass at 2pm
at St. Peter's This Tuesday 2nd September. All Welcome.

Blessing of BackPacks for the New School Year, next Sunday at
Masses. All welcome to have their school stuff blessed for the New
Academic Year.

**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 baretta, in a couple of weeks' time.

School Stuff: Huge thanks for the response for Stationary for a School Children,
and please be assured that all donations will go to those most in need. Many
thanks and blessings to you all.

Burkina Faso: Thank you for the generous donations of £980.76 so far. The
appeal remains open for one more month. Envelopes for donations are available
at the back of church which can be returned via the offertory collection. *E. Gillett*

Diocesan Pilgrimages: The annual pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes at St Mary's Church,
Cleator, takes place on Sunday, 7th September at 3.00pm. The annual pilgrimage to the Shrine at Ladywell
takes place on Saturday, 20th September, with Holy Mass at St Mary's Church, Fernyhalgh at 11.00am. All
Welcome.

Deanery Mass

**for the Centenary of the Diocese,
Saturday 27th September at 11am
at St. Joseph's, Ansdell,**

**for all the Parishes of the Kirkham Deanery,
Celebrated by Bishop Paul.**

**Followed by a picnic in the grounds,
with Refreshments available from the Hall.**

SJSP Back to Skool Nite!

With A Quiz, a School Dinner, a Bar, & Assembly Bangers for us all to sing.

Saturday 13th Sep. 7pm in SJ's Hall

Tickets on sale after Masses £6 adults, £4 children.



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, especially Patricia Mary
Reed, and those whose anniversaries occur about this time, Catherine
Reid, Elizabeth Kirkham, Jean Marie Brennan, Bridget Myra, Joan
Berry, Maurice McSherry, christopher Thompson, Ted gillett, Isabel
Edmundson, James Joseph Cunliffe and Peter Page.

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, 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 (*Any
bananas? 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: 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 6th / 7th September

Readers

Sat Vigil: Anna Murgatroyd **Sun 9.15am:** Peter Benning

Meet and Greet

Sat Vigil: P Huskinson and D Warwick **Sun 9.15am:** M Skene & M
Lehman