

St. Joseph's and St. Peter's

The Roman Catholic Parishes of Ansdell & Lytham

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Fourth Sunday of Advent Year A 21st December 2025

“Let the Lord enter; he is the king of glory.”

Weekend 20th/21st December Fourth Sunday of Advent

Saturday 20 th	6pm	St. Joseph's	Mass People of the Parish
Sunday 21 st	9:15am	St. Joseph's	Mass Robert Cookson

10:30am St. Peter's Mass Lottie Woods

Monday 22 nd	9am	St. Peter's	Mass Maria Carlotta D' Cruz followed by Expositions and Confessions till 10am
	2:45pm	Lytham Crematorium Service for Cecelia Duckworth	

Tuesday 23 rd	10am	St. Joseph's	Mass Dec'd of Conroy & Morgan Families preceded by Exposition and Confessions till 9:55am
Wednesday 24 th	9am	St. Peter's	Mass Donor's Intentions

The Nativity of Our Lord

6pm	St. Joseph's	Mass Kate Golightly
8pm	St Peter's	Mass In loving Memory of Joan and Harold Thornton
9.15am	St. Joseph's	Mass Special Intentions
10.30am	St. Peter's	Mass John Worsley
12noon	<i>Stella Matutina</i>	<i>People of the Parishes</i>

Weekend 27th/28th December The Feast of the Holy Family

Saturday 27 th	6pm	St. Joseph's	Mass James (Jimmy) Cullen
Sunday 28 th	9:15am	St. Joseph's	Mass Alan Hesketh

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 Mary and Joseph are called to participate in God's saving plan. Let us imitate their reverence and generosity.

First Reading *Isaiah 7:10-14* The future Incarnation is prophesied through Isaiah. God will come and dwell with his people.

Second Reading *Romans 1:1-7* Paul writes to the Romans, telling them that Jesus is both fully human and fully divine.

Gospel *Matthew 1:18-24* The prophecy is fulfilled as Mary conceives, and God is born into a real human family.



Everyone welcome to join us for **CHRISTMAS** at St. Joseph's and St. Peter's

Wednesday 24th December: Christmas Eve

St. Joseph's 6pm

Children's Mass of Christmas

All children (and any adults for that matter) are asked to come dressed as a character from the Christmas Story:
Mary, Joseph, an Angel, a Shepherd, a King, or an Ox, Donkey, or Sheep, to create a 'living crib'.

St. Peter's 8pm

CandleLit Mass of Christmas with Carols and Readings from 7:30pm

Thursday 25th December: Christmas Day:

St. Joseph's 9:15am St. Peter's 10:30am





St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Ansdell

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Please take a Christmas Timetable and pass it on to invite friends and neighbours to our Christmas Celebrations

Advent at SJSP's

Monday 22nd December: Vespers and Benediction at St. Joseph's at 7pm

(Today)Saturday 20th after Evening Mass
everyone is welcome to the Presbytery for a glass of mulled wine, a mince pie and some jolly Carol Singing.

2026 Lancaster Diocesan Directories are available at the back of Church, priced £6.50. See where all your favourite priests have been moved to!

SJSP Confirmation 2026. The Bishop will be coming to SJSP's to confer the Sacrament of Confirmation on Tuesday 10th February at SP's at 6:30pm. Candidates in Year 6 or above are welcome to get an application form from Fr. Peter after Weekend Masses.

And *after* Christmas we can look forward to the

SJSP Late Late Christmas Party

Saturday 17th January at 7pm after Evening Mass, with food, songs and games. Tickets available soon.

The SJSP Ukulele Orchestra (along with children from the parishes) **Christmas Album. Only £5 - a perfect stocking filler!** All proceeds shared between Brian House Children's Hospice and the StreetLife Trust in Blackpool. CDs available at the back of church at the end of Mass and for **downloads, email ann@zammits.me.uk.**

Christmas Week Timetable

Monday 29 th	9am	St. Peter's Mass
Tuesday 30 th	10am	St. Joseph's Mass
Wednesday 31 st	9am	St. Peter's Mass
Thursday 1 st	10am	St. Joseph's Mass
Friday 2 nd	10am	St. Joseph's Requiem for Laura
Friday 2 nd	2pm	St. Joseph's Mass and Anointing



COLLECTION COUNT: for November: *with grateful thanks*
Gift Aid £317 Non Gift Aid £1262.39 SO £3272
St. Joseph's Care £333.48

Please pray for all who have died recently, Laura Cecelia Szulc Cecelia Duckworth and those whose anniversaries occur about this time, Margaret Anne Smith, Richard Cross, Audrey McSherry, Kate Golightly, Thomas Shaw, Margaret Bridges, Richards Euryn Thomas.

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, 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 Petraciute, Bob Osachuk, Val Sunderland, 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 (*Sprouts? 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. Religious Christmas Cards available now. 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 27th / 28th December

Readers Sat Vigil: K and T Godden Sun 9.15am: Maria Hall

Meet and Greet Sat Vigil: P Huskinson and D Warwick Sun 9.15am: M Cookson and M Reid