

St. Joseph's and St. Peter's

The Roman Catholic Parishes of Ansdell & Lytham

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Third Sunday in Lent 'C' 23rd March 2025

"The Lord is compassionate and gracious"

Weekend 22nd/23rd March Third Sunday in Lent Year 'C'

Saturday 22 nd	6pm	St. Joseph's	Mass Wing Commander Thomas Patrick Gibson
Sunday 23 rd	9:15am	St. Joseph's	Mass People of the Parishes
	10:30am	St. Peter's	Mass Thomas and Annie Ainsworth

Monday 24 th	9am	St. Peter's	Mass Mary Josephine Buckley followed by Exposition and Confession till 9:55am
	7pm	St. Peter's	Stations of the Cross and Benediction
Tuesday 25 th	10am	St. Joseph's	Mass Francis Spedding Hobbs preceded by Exposition and Confession till 9:55am
	7pm	St. Joseph's	Stations of the Cross and Benediction
Wednesday 26 th	9am	St. Peter's	Mass Nellie Holland
Thursday 27 th	10am	St. Joseph's	Mass William and Mary Murray

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

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

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: Third Sunday in Lent : The Lord is a God of great patience. But we should not presume on that patience, for the time is growing short and Christ calls us to repent. We gather this day to renew our commitment as disciples of Christ.

First Reading Exodus 3:1-8, 13-15 The Lord reveals himself to Moses as the same God who promised Abraham that his descendants would inherit the promised land.

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12 Paul warns the Corinthians about the danger of complacency. Their lives must be pleasing to God.

Gospel Luke 13:1-9 Time is growing short. People need to produce the fruit of repentance.

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

Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament:

Saturdays in Lent at St. Joseph's 5pm-5:50pm Sundays in Lent at St. Peter's 4pm-5pm

Confessions will be available on certain Sundays – see each week's newsletter for details

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 Star of the Sea) Thursday 10th April 7pm at SJ's

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Message from Pope Francis Reflecting from Hospital: The walls of hospitals have heard more honest prayers than churches... It is in these moments, when the hospital touches the wounds of people, that different worlds intersect according to a divine design. And in this communion of destinies, we realize that alone, we are nothing. The absolute truth of people, most of the time, only reveals itself in moments of pain or in the real threat of an irreversible loss. A hospital is a place where human beings remove their masks and show themselves as they truly are, in their purest essence. This life will pass quickly, so do not waste it fighting with people. You are waiting for too much: Christmas, Friday, next year, when you have money, when love arrives, when everything is perfect... Listen, perfection does not exist. A human being cannot attain it because we are simply not made to be fulfilled here. Here, we are given an opportunity to learn. So, make the most of this trial of life - and do it now. Respect yourself, respect others. Walk your own path, and let go of the path others have chosen for you. Respect: do not comment, do not judge, do not interfere. Love more, forgive more, embrace more, live more intensely! And leave the rest in the hands of the Creator.



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Fourth Sunday in Lent 30th March

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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

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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 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, 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