

St. Joseph's and St. Peter's

The Roman Catholic Parishes of Ansdell & Lytham

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Saint Peter and Saint Paul 29th June 2025

“From all my terrors the Lord has set me free.”

Weekend 28th/29th June Saint Peter and Saint Paul

Saturday 28 th	6pm	St. Joseph's	Mass	People of the Parishes
Sunday 29 th	9:15am	St. Joseph's	Mass	Tony Crean
	10:30am	St. Peter's	Mass	Pete and Ellen Rickards Golden Wedding Anniversary

Monday 30 th	9am	St. Peter's	Mass	Pauline & Francis Williamson
Tuesday 1 st	10am	St. Joseph's	Mass	Greta Nickson preceded by <i>Exposition and Confessions till 9:55am</i>
Wednesday 2 nd	10am	Saltcotes Cemetery Chapel	Mass	Deceased of the O'Dea Family
	1pm	St. Peter's	Requiem Mass	for Mary Veronica McLaughlin
Thursday 3 rd	10am	St. Joseph's	Mass	William and Mary Murray
Friday 4 th	2pm	St. Joseph's	Mass and Anointing of the Sick	Fr. Sabatino Tedeschi

Weekend 5th/6th July Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday 5 th	6pm	St. Joseph's	Mass	People of the Parish
Sunday 6 th	9:15am	St. Joseph's	Mass	Norah Eardley
	10:30am	St. Peter's	Mass	Thanksgiving

Sacrament of Reconciliation with Exposition this week.

Tuesday 9:30-9:50am at St. Joseph's

Confession is also available by arrangement with Fr. Peter. Tel. 737037

This Sunday's Readings: Saint Peter and Saint Paul.

First Reading: Acts 12:1-11 Peter was imprisoned because he preached about Jesus Christ. God looked after him and freed him from the prison, because he still had a lot more work to do.

Second Reading: II Tim 4:6-8, 17-18 Paul too realises that the Lord has been with him, and helped him 'fight the good fight'. He stood by him and rescued him from the evil powers.

Gospel: Mt 16:13-19 Simon, after his confession of faith in Jesus, was given a new name - Peter, coming from the word for rock. He is now given the keys of authority in the new Church, built upon the rock.

Message from Father Peter: In today's Second Reading, St. Paul uses the phrase '*Fight the Good Fight*' when looking back on his life: '*I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race*', and it's a phrase he uses at other times in his Letters, too, such as in 1 Timothy 6:12 '*Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, to which you were also called and have confessed the good confession in the presence of many witnesses.*' 'Fight the good fight' is one of those phrases which lots of people might use, but not everyone would know it was from the Bible. Here's a few more well-known phrases and their Biblical Origins:

'Go the Extra Mile': Matthew 5:41 '*And whoever compels you to go one mile, go with him two.*'

'Give Up the Ghost': John 19:30 '*When Jesus had therefore received the vinegar, He said 'It is finished:' and He bowed His head and gave up the ghost.*' As an act of will, in accordance with the Father's will, Jesus committed His Spirit to His Father. Why we now use 'Spirit' as our translation instead of 'Ghost' is worthy of a whole Message in itself...

'The Powers That Be': Romans 13:1 '*Let every soul subject unto the higher powers. For there is no power but of God: The powers that be are ordained by God.*'

'Fall By the Wayside': Luke 8:5 '*A sower went out to sow his seed. And as he sowed, some fell by the wayside; and it was trampled down, and the birds of the air devoured it.*' Of course, from the Parable of the Sower.

'Nothing New Under the Sun': Ecclesiastes 1:9 '*That which has been is what will be, That which is done is what will be done, And there is nothing new under the sun.*'

'The Writing on the Wall': Daniel 5:5 '*In the same hour the fingers of a man's hand appeared and wrote opposite the lampstand on the plaster of the wall of the king's palace; and the king saw the part of the hand that wrote.*' And the writing on the wall, interpreted by the prophet Daniel, tells King Belshazzar that his time is up! (I remember studying the oratorio 'Belshazzar's Feast' by William Walton for my Music 'A' level – I might have to give it a listen today!)

'Fall From Grace': Galatians 5:4 '*You have become estranged from Christ, you who attempt to be justified by law; you have fallen from grace.*'

'The Root of the Matter': Job 19:28-29 '*If you should say, "How shall we persecute him?" - Since the root of the matter is found in me, be afraid of the sword for yourselves; For wrath brings the punishment of the sword, that you may know there is a judgment.*'



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St. Peter and St. Paul

First Week of the Month at SJSP's

Please join us for these wonderful liturgies!

Wednesday 2nd July: Mass

at Saltcotes Cemetery at 10am.

Friday 4th July: First Friday Mass &

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

Monday 7th July: Evening Prayer

and Benediction at St. Joseph's at 7pm

Mothers' Prayers

We invite you to join us on

Tuesday 1st July at 6pm at St Joseph's

*This is a gentle and peaceful time to come together in prayer,
supporting our children, families, and one another through
faith. All are welcome. Let's pray together.*

As requested, Large Print newsletters and missalettes
are available at the back of Church.

Tomorrow Monday 30th we welcome the whole of SP's
school to 9am mass at SP's to celebrate their Patronal
feast. (No Exposition or Confessions at SP's this week)

Prayer for Peace: many thanks to everyone who - at
incredibly short notice - advertised, heard about, and then
attended the Rosary and Benediction for Peace last
Tuesday at SP's at 6:30pm. It was a very special Holy
Hour, and it is suggested we might make this a monthly
event - in the third week of the month, complementing our
Vespers on the first week? **What do you think? Please**
let me know. Also please note that last Tuesday I counted
one of the decades in base sixteen... **I think...**

SJSP Ukulele Orchestra: still strumming away every
Monday at SP's Hall at 7pm. **All welcome - especially**
newcomers who'd like to pluck a tune with us!

Please pray for those whom Requiems and Funeral Services we will
be celebrating over the next few weeks;, Mary Veronica McLaughlin
July 2nd at 1pm at SP's; Sr. Margaret Brown July 8th at Stella Matutina
at 11:30am. *Requiescat in pace.*

Wedding Anniversary Mass: Sat 12 July, 12.15pm Lancaster
Cathedral. Bishop Paul invites all couples in the Diocese celebrating
milestone wedding anniversaries this year - to a Mass of celebration
and blessing. All are welcome to attend. For those couples wishing a
blessing for their Catholic marriage please email the Cathedral at
clergy@lancastercathedral.org.uk

Places for Diocesan Pilgrimages still available: Lourdes
Pilgrimage 2025: 'With Mary, Pilgrims of Hope.' 23rd - 30th July.
Details www.joewalshstours.co.uk Diocesan Walsingham: 20-24 Oct
All-inclusive cost is £475-£550 details Deacon Charlie Conner on
07895 742 732 or email charlie.conner@lrcd.org.uk



COLLECTION COUNT: for May: *with grateful thanks*
Gift Aid £399.20 **Non Gift Aid** £1523.77 **SO** £3013.50
St. Joseph's Care £537.60 **Cafod** £1499.97 **Specials Gift Aid**
£47.00

Please pray for all who have died recently, especially, Sister
Margaret Brown SCJM, Jo Tomlinson, and Mary Veronica
McLaughlin, and those whose anniversaries occur about this time
Jack Wilson Andrew boardman, David Long, Joe Waters, Ellen
Moore and Ray Woods

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 Meskeil, Anne Meyer, George
Morgan, Pat Moss, Molly Murphy, Zivile Petravičiute, 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
(Onions! Onions!?. 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: Back at the beginning of September, every
Thursday after 10am Mass in Church, for this beautiful prayer.

Rotas for Weekend 5th/6th July

Readers

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

Meet and Greet

Sat Vigil: C. M & D Ghee **Sun 9.15am:** M Skene and M Lehman