

*The Parishes of*  
**St. Anne, Ormskirk &  
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25th August 2024

***TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME***

**Readings:** Jos 24: 1-2a, 15-17, 18b; Ps 33: 2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23; Eph 5: 21-32; Jn 6: 60-69.

**St Elizabeth's Mass Times**

Sat	24	5.30pm	John Forshaw
Sun	25	9.30am	<i>Joseph &amp; Agnes Crawley</i>
Wed	28	9.30am	<i>Feast of St Augustine George McNamara (Snr)</i>
Sat	31	5.30pm	<i>EBC</i>
Sun	1	9.30am	<i>Rev Fr Boniface Moran OSB</i>

<b>St Anne's Mass Times</b>			
<b>Sat</b>	<b>24</b>	4.00pm 5.00pm	<i>Sacrament of Reconciliation until 4.45pm</i> <b>Morag &amp; Neil Walker - 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary today</b> <i>(Vigil Mass held outdoors, weather permitting)</i>
<b>Sun</b>	<b>25</b>	10.30am Noon	<b>Fulvio Saporito</b> (streamed) <i>Baptisms: Otilie May &amp; Jacob James Murphy</i>
<b>Mon</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>10.00am</b>	<i>Feast of Blessed Dominic Barberi of the Mother of God</i> <b>Bridie Glennon</b> - NB Later Mass time - Bank Holiday
<b>Tue</b>	<b>27</b>	9.15am 9.30am	<i>Feast of St Monica</i> <i>Morning Prayer</i> <b>Frank &amp; Catherine Walsh</b>
<b>Wed</b>	<b>28</b>	9.15am 9.30am	<i>Feast of St Augustine</i> <i>Morning Prayer</i> <b>David McCarthy</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Peter &amp; Suzanne Butler will be exchanging their Wedding Vows during Mass</li> </ul>
<b>Thu</b>	<b>29</b>	9.15am 9.30am	<i>Feast of the Passion of St John the Baptist</i> <i>Morning Prayer</i> <b>Pat Johnson</b>
<b>Fri</b>	<b>30</b>	9.15am 9.30am	<i>Feast of St Edmund Arrowsmith</i> <i>Morning Prayer</i> <b>David Downey</b>
<b>Sat</b>	<b>31</b>	4.00pm 5.00pm	<i>Sacrament of Reconciliation until 4.45pm</i> <b>Mary &amp; Eamon Reilly</b> (Vigil Mass)
<b>Sun</b>	<b>1</b>	10.30am	<b>Rev Fr Anthony Hayne &amp; Rev Fr Araunt Fernandez</b> (streamed)

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## ***Dear Parishioners and Friends***

In last week's Tablet I came across a reference to a letter Pope Francis recently published On the Role of Literature in Formation. He had intended writing about the importance of literature being part of priestly formation but realized the role that literature plays in the lives of all Christians. This letter is one of the most helpful pieces of writing which I have read on why we read! The following are a few snippets to whet your appetites.

*In moments of weariness, anger, disappointment or failure, when prayer itself does not help us find inner serenity, a good book can help us weather the storm until we find peace of mind.*

*A book demands great personal engagement on the part of its reader. Readers in some sense rewrite a text, enlarging its scope through their imagination, creating a whole world by bringing into play their skills, their memory, their dreams and their personal history, with all its drama and symbolism. In this way, what emerges is a text quite different from the one the author intended to write.*

*Literature proves essential for believers who sincerely seek to enter into dialogue with the culture of their time, or simply with the lives and experiences of other people. With good reason, the Second Vatican Council observed that, "literature and art... seek to penetrate our nature" and "throw light on our suffering and joy, our needs and potentialities." Indeed, literature takes its cue from the realities of our daily life, its passions and events, our "actions, work, love, death and all the poor things that fill life."*

*I would first like to say something about the contemporary religious landscape. "The return to the sacred and the quest for spirituality which mark our own time are ambiguous phenomena. Today, our challenge is not so much atheism as the need to respond adequately to many people's thirst for God, lest they try to satisfy it with alienating solutions or with a disembodied Jesus." The urgent task of proclaiming the Gospel in our time demands that believers, and priests in particular, ensure that everyone be able to encounter Jesus Christ made flesh, made man, made history. We must always take care never to lose sight of the "flesh" of Jesus Christ: that flesh made of passions, emotions and feelings, words that challenge and console, hands that touch and heal, looks that liberate and encourage, flesh made of hospitality, forgiveness, indignation, courage, fearlessness; in a word, love. It is precisely at this level that familiarity with literature can make future priests and all pastoral workers all the more sensitive to the full humanity of the Lord Jesus, in which his divinity is wholly present.*

*Godwin O'SB*

**Anniversaries to 31 August 2024 (Last 10 yrs)**

**St Anne's:** James Boyle, John James Coffey, Catherine Walsh, Kevin White, William Joseph Hesketh, Kathleen Moran, Irene Josephine Bimpson, Marie Harris, Sid Moy.

**St Elizabeth's:** James Sharrock, John Whittle, Celia Marr.

**Please pray for the sick:**

**St Anne's:** John Casey, Chris Coyne, Jean Daunt, Mike Devlin, Margaret Halsall, Stephen Hankin-Hallsworth, Stan Ludlow, Hughie McGinley, May Mitchell, Jeannette Murphy, Stella O'Keefe, John Orritt, Ann Potter, Stella Potter, James Rolfe, Frances Smith, Sandra Sugden, Richard Sutherland, Maureen Taylor, Joan Whelan, Nadia.



**St Elizabeth's:** Terry Turner, Sue Carver, Tess & Eric Mills, Jean Olverson, Paddy Mott, Joe Ackers, Kath Wilson, Andrew, Robert Heather, a parishioner in distress, and all in need of grace.

**Recently Sick:** Paul McWilliams, Pauline McDonnell who is recovering from eye surgery, and more prayers needed for Alicia O'Toole and her baby Ava who have both been discharged from hospital and are awaiting test results.

**Please pray for the repose of the souls of Mgr Michael McKenna, Josephine Hall & Ann Brown who died recently.**

**St Elizabeth's News:**

***If any parishioners of St Elizabeth's would like to meet up with Frs Godric and Joseph, please come to St Elizabeth's Presbytery this Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> August at 7.00pm.***

**St Anne's News:**

***Fr Oliver Holt will be joining us at St Anne's for a couple of weeks.***

***Bank Holiday: The Mass tomorrow will be at the later time of 10.00am.***



***A memorial book is at the back of St Anne's church. We would like to invite parishioners to express their condolences and to share their happy memories of our dear Father Boniface.***

## Altar servers for St Anne's

Would you like to be an Altar Server and join our established serving team? If so, and you were 9 by 1st September and have made your First Holy Communion, then ask your parent or guardian to give your name and contact details into the parish office as soon as possible (deadline Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September). Now that we have returned to normality, we look forward to introducing more server roles into our Saturday and Sunday celebrations, giving more of our young people the opportunity to serve God in this very special way. We are planning to start a new training course at the end of September, and look forward to welcoming you.

**Deacon Peter 07711 146259**



### The Eucharist and Healing

#### A Day of Teaching and Recollection

**St Joseph's Parish Centre, Wrightington, WN6 9PA**

**Saturday 31 August 2024 : 10.00 am to 2.15 pm**

**The Day will be led by Fr Andrew Unsworth and Mrs Julia Ashes**

- *Session One: The Eucharist and Healing: Catholic Church Teaching.*
- *Session Two: The Eucharist and Healing: Personal, Family, Parish, Mission.*
  - *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction.*
  - Please bring a packed lunch. Tea and Coffee will be provided
- There is no charge for the day, but any offerings will be gratefully received towards the upkeep of parish facilities

**To register, please contact the parish office on 01257 676027**

**Or email: [stjwrightington@rcaol.org.uk](mailto:stjwrightington@rcaol.org.uk)**

**With You Always course for the sacraments of  
Reconciliation and First Holy Communion for children  
not attending St Anne's Primary School.**

*Please email the parish office [paxorm@btconnect.com](mailto:paxorm@btconnect.com) for an application form.  
Children must live in the parish of St Anne's and be in Year 4 or above.  
Application forms are to be returned by 1<sup>st</sup> October 2024  
Thank you.*



**MISSIO**

*We have now completed our rounds of emptying the Red Boxes and I know for some of you it has been quite a gap since they were last emptied. I'm delighted to report that thanks to your generous donations and the efforts of our wonderful collectors we have now sent £1194 to Missio for their vital work spreading God's word.*

*Thank you to everyone who has supported me in my new role.*

*In September those of you who hold Red Boxes and still want to participate will receive your latest newsletter.*

*Don't have a Red Box and wish to give towards the vital work of Missio? Please do get in touch and I will arrange for you to have one.*

**Best Regards Keith Stopforth** [kstoppy1@hotmail.com](mailto:kstoppy1@hotmail.com)

**Entertainment by Treble T,  
Vocalists, Dancers & More**

**Aughton Village Hall Winifred Lane L39 5DH  
Friday 13 September 2024**

**7.30pm until 10.30pm**

**Tickets £5 at the door or from Ann Holland 01695 576980**

**Bar available, bring your own nibbles.**

**In support of North West Cancer Research**





Sunday 25 August 2024  
21st Sunday in Ordinary Time  
John 6:60-69

In the  
**GOSPEL TODAY**

**CHOOSE JESUS!**

**A message from Jesus**



Jesus wants you to be his friend and follow him. Start with the red and write the letters in the footprints into the spaces to see an important message from Jesus.

**A PRAYER TO SAY**

Thank you, Jesus, for choosing me to be your friend. Help me to always choose you to be my friend. Help me to make good and loving choices so that I am a good friend to you. Amen.



Jesus' message is just too difficult for some of his friends to understand, so they leave him. Simon Peter chooses Jesus. He knows that following Jesus will give him a life of love and happiness.

**My friends**

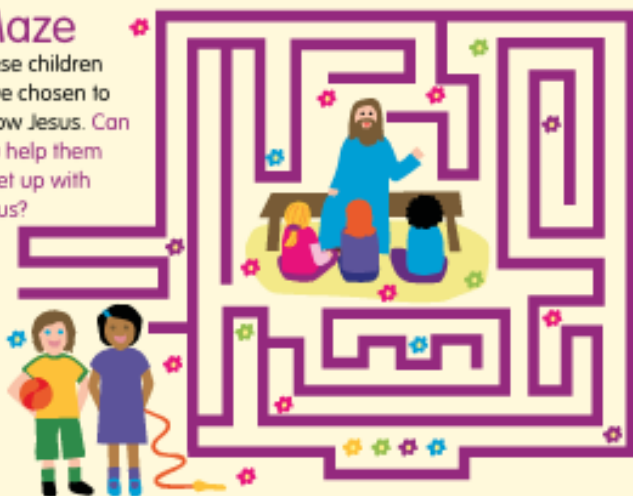
Simon Peter stayed with Jesus when some other friends left him. Who are your friends?

Draw a happy picture of you and your friends with Jesus.



**Maze**

These children have chosen to follow Jesus. Can you help them meet up with Jesus?



**Jesus has chosen us: are we choosing Jesus?**

"As a Christian, and a follower of Jesus Christ, I try every day to....."  
Circle the words below that show us following Jesus' teaching.

think of others

treat my friends badly

get very cross

say my prayers

share my things

be helpful at home

Answers: I will give you life

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