

The Parishes of
**St. Anne, Ormskirk &
St. Elizabeth, Scarisbrick**

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Or lives simply

9th February 2025

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: L1 796: Is 6; Ps 138; 1 Co 15; Lk 5

St Elizabeth's Mass Times

Sun	2	9.00am	<i>Horace & Margaret Staniforth</i>
Wed	5	9.30am	<i>People of the Parish</i>
Sun	9	9.00am	<i>Eva Molyneux</i>

St Anne's Mass Times

Sat	8	4.00pm	<i>Sacrament of Reconciliation & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 4.45pm</i>
		5.00pm	Angela O'Neill (vigil Mass)
Sun	9	10.30am	Catherine Eglin (streamed) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Followed by Session 5 of preparation for First Holy Communion for children not attending a catholic school
		Noon	<i>Baptisms: Charlie & Molly Howard</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coach 8, Lourdes Group in Pastoral Centre from 2.30pm till 5.00pm
Mon	10	9.30am	<i>Mass will be in the Pastoral Centre</i> Beverly O'Neill <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UCM at 1.00pm in Pastoral Centre
		9.00am	<i>Mass will be in the Pastoral Centre</i> Kathleen Hart (Please note earlier Mass time) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prayer Group at 10.30am in Pastoral Centre
Wed	12	9.30am	<i>Mass will be in the Pastoral Centre</i> Eddie Dodson
Thu	13	9.30am	<i>Mass will be in the Pastoral Centre</i> Cyril Ralph
Fri	14	9.30am	<i>Mass will be in the Pastoral Centre</i> Maeve Spollen
Sat	15	4.00pm	<i>Sacrament of Reconciliation & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 4.45pm</i>
		5.00pm	Elizabeth Van-Mechelen (vigil Mass)
Sun	16	10.30am	Trish McDermott (streamed)
		Noon	<i>Baptisms: Isaac Crickson & Jacob Jennings</i>

The Season of Lent

It won't be long before we celebrate Ash Wednesday, 5th March, which takes us into the season of Lent. What would help you to use this time fruitfully? Abbot Paul will be coming to give a talk on the gifts within the Lectionary and as last year, a men's Retreat is planned. Stations of the Cross will take place in church every Friday evening, lead by clergy and also by various parish groups. But what do **you** feel would help us all in this season of reflection and preparation? If you have any ideas, please let Colette in the office know by Monday 24th February.

Godwin O'SB



The 2025 Jubilee Year: 'Pilgrims of Hope'

In your house, Lord, I am a passing guest, a pilgrim like all my fathers. Ps 38

As pilgrims on a journey, fellow travellers on the road; we are here to help each other walk the mile and bear the load" - in a spirit of compassion, bringing hope to others where hope has dimmed.

Dear Parishioners and Friends

The first house in which I remember living was my grandmother's, and the name of the house, emblazoned on the glass front door window, was 'Lourdes'. Throughout my life my family has had a great devotion to Our Lady of Lourdes. My first visit there was with a school party of older boys when I was 9! I knew all the religious bits of the story but the highlight of my week was when a boy of 17 gave me his old sheath knife. He had bought a new one because his old one had a tiny chip on the handle – but that didn't matter to me. On arriving in Newcastle airport I greeted my father with, 'Daddy, look what I've been given' – and I never saw it again. I don't remember if I blamed Our Lady for depriving me of such a prized possession, but I might have done... Needless to say, I have overcome my disappointment, and Lourdes has become a significant part of my life. The bottom line is that Our Lady appeared to the young Bernadette in 1858 so that through her appearances people would come to this holy place in order to come closer to her son, Jesus.

That an Englishman, Jack Trainor, should have had a miraculous recovery, in 1923, now officially recognized as a miracle, from epilepsy, paralysis of the right arm and paraplegia after being wounded in World War 1, is all the more reason for celebrating Our Lady's role in the life of our archdiocese.

There will be a special Mass of Thanksgiving to be celebrated on Tuesday 18th February 2025 at the Metropolitan Cathedral of Christ the King, Liverpool, at 7 p.m. A drinks reception will follow in the Cathedral Crypt. It will be an opportunity for people from across the archdiocese and beyond, including representatives from the shrine at Lourdes, to gather in Liverpool to mark this historic moment, and to heed the call of Pope Francis in this Jubilee Year to be pilgrims of hope. Everyone is invited to this Mass. If you are going it would help the cathedral staff to have an idea of numbers so please contact St Anne's parish office and we shall forward numbers.

Godric OSB

Anniversaries to 15th February 2025 (Last 10 yrs)

St Anne's: Elizabeth Heffey, Veronica Ann Miller, Charles Edward McAuley, Margaret Mary Lee, Tony Owens, Lil Price, Eddie Dodson, Elizabeth Marjorie Cole, Joseph Michael Stafford, Sylvia Mary Camp.

St Elizabeth's: Winnie Clegg, Molly Halsall, Peggy Vose, Marie, Margaret Lamb, Philip Molyneux, Eva Molyneux, Kenneth Lamb, James Charnock.

Please pray for the sick:

St Anne's: Jean Ball, Chris Coyne, Jean Daunt, Mike Devlin, Margaret Halsall, David Hankin-Hallsworth, Steven Hankin-Hallsworth, Adrian Jones, Sally Kirkby, Mary Linton, Stan Ludlow, Hughie McGinley, Paul McWilliams, Ann Melia, May Mitchell, Jeannette Murphy, Stella O'Keefe, John Orritt, Potter, Stella Potter, James Rolfe, Frances Smith, Sandra Sugden, Richard Sutherland, Maureen Taylor, Rev Fr Gerry Tuite, Joan Whelan.

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

Recently Sick: Shirley Croft.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Eileen Blennarhasset, Dot Hamid & Maureen Ellen Fletcher who died recently.

St Anne's News:

To all Pastoral Centre Users: Please ensure all lights are switched off when leaving the building, thank you.

The Burial of Ashes of Andy Rule will take place at 10.00am on Friday 14th February.

Church Parade: Next Sunday 16th February.

St Elizabeth's News

A big THANK YOU to everyone who came on Monday last and cleaned the church. It looks so much better for your efforts. If you could help with this in the future, please let Christine Charnock know.

Can you help? St Elizabeth's runs on volunteers. There are a number of jobs which need to be done around the church, presbytery & grounds. Ted & Joe do all this at present. Is this something you could help with? We are talking about a couple of hours here and there not a regular weekly commitment. Please see Mary, Joe or Ted if you can.

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St Elizabeth's News cont'd.....

Ormskirk Food Bank – Message from Mary Selby

Thank you everyone for your foodbank donations, they have been very generous. However, sadly the donations have dwindled in the past few months. Your support is vital; the volunteers at Ormskirk Foodbank do a tremendous job and we should aim to do our best to help them. Please consider bringing even one item a week to our Sunday or Wednesday Mass. Items most needed at this time Sponge puddings Coffee Jam Washing up liquid Toothbrushes Tubed crisps/savoury crackers Please remember they cannot accept any fresh food items or anything containing alcohol including drinks, mince pies, Christmas cake, chocolates, some toiletries.

Reminders from The Pastoral Council

- *The re-introduction of Holy Communion under both kinds is planned for Easter. If anyone would like to put themselves forward as a potential, please let Mary know and training will be arranged.*



- *Fundraising: The urgency of this has been confirmed this week. If you have any ideas for fund raising, please let Bernie Halsall (Chair of the PPC) know or drop a note into the presbytery.*
- *Many of us get some unwanted or unneeded Christmas presents which would potentially make good raffle prizes. If you are in the lucky position to have any of these please consider donating to the church for future raffles.*

“When you give to my little ones – you give to me”

Problems hit us all, and sometime a little assistance can make a huge difference. Are you, or someone you know in need of some help, so that at least the family can eat? If so, in total confidence, we are here to help. Contact any of the clergy, one of our SVP members or the parish office and we'll get back to you to offer any assistance we can, always in total confidence.

Deacon Peter – 07711 146259 – peter.mawtus@hotmail.co.uk

In aid of St Anne's Church Roof Fund

Songs from 50's & 60's Billy Scott, Vocalist



St Anne's Pastoral Centre Friday 28th February

Doors open at 7.00pm Bring your own drinks & nibbles

TICKETS ON SALE AFTER WEEKEND MASSES £7.50

Or contact Loretta 07807 854857

or Colette in the parish office 01695 572168 Ext 948



ST. ANNE'S PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL (PPC) MEMBERSHIP

Do you think that you (or someone who you know) might be able to make an important contribution to parish life by joining the PPC?

Members discuss with the clergy challenges and opportunities facing our parish community, while planning and supporting events and activities. There are six meetings a year, which have structured and minuted agendas that can be accessed on the parish website. A number of PPC members are approaching the end of their terms of office, which are normally three years. Some have had to be extended because of the consequences of the pandemic.

Anyone interested in finding out more about becoming a member of the PPC should arrange to speak to Father Godric.

St. Anne's PPC.



St. Edmund's Catholic Primary School Seeks Governors!

St. Edmund's Catholic Primary School is the smallest school in the parish of St. Richard's, Skelmersdale. We work tirelessly to support the children and families of our parish by providing a loving, caring and safe place to learn. Ofsted has recently graded the school as 'Good', and we have also achieved 'good with outstanding features' in our RE inspection. We are very proud of what we have gained but continue to make improvements so that the children can be the best that they can be.

We have a number of governor vacancies so if you would like to be part of **'a small school with a big heart'** and help us with our journey, please either phone the school on 01695-724798 or email Annette Birmingham on head@st-edmunds.lancs.sch.uk Thank you

Annette Birmingham

ROOF FUND and PARISH RAFFLE



Would you like to help contribute to
St. Anne's Roof Fund?

Have you any unwanted Christmas gifts to donate to a good cause?

The Environment Group has plans to organise a parish raffle and is looking for donations (large or small) of prizes. Now that the builders have started on the church tower, we'd like to help raise money to fund this essential work. Organising and contributing to a parish raffle will give us a chance to do our bit. We'll give further details in forthcoming Bulletins but in the meantime, we'll put boxes for donations at the back of church and in the Pastoral Centre.



Date and more information coming soon!

To all parishioners, parents, pupils and visitors who are using the church premises for dropping off picking up or parking please read the following information.

St Anne's Church Tower Refurbishment

On the 5th of January 2025 work started on the refurbishment of the Church Tower which will last **at least 16 weeks**. Due to the amount of work required and the need for complete compliance with Health and Safety requirements there will be restrictions in place for the whole period.

Outline of restrictions

Prescot Road entrance to church grounds (NO PEDESTRIAN ACCESS MONDAY TO FRIDAY)

Church rear car park (NO PARKING ON WEEKDAYS drop off/pickup only AT SCHOOL START AND FINISH TIMES)

Church rear car park parking only for Saturday Vigil Mass and Sunday Mass
Footways around the church (closed)

Rear sacristy door (limited access)

Graveyard to left of rear turning circle (limited access during material deliveries)

Graveyard to right of rear turning and side of church (limited access during the hours of 8:00 and 17:00)

We would really appreciate if all staff, parents, pupils and visitors could make the effort to avoid using the car parking areas to reduce the chance of bottle necks and leave space for those who really need to use the car park and the contractors to complete the work without hindrance.

Could you also please keep clear of the area around the Tower scaffolding once erected.

Please observe the yellow and red NO parking areas in the car park and DO NOT PARK in front of the entrance and emergency exit doors and walkways at anytime. If you have any queries please contact the parish office in the first instance giving your full details. Many Thanks

Godwin OBB