The Parishes of

St. Anne, Ormskirk &
St. Elizabeth, Scarisbrick

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PRAY AS YOU GO LINK https://pray-as-you-go.org
Bulletin Deadline: Wednesday

Please scan QR code below to donate £10 to help with the parish running costs

30th August 2026

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Readings: L1 577: Jer 20; Psalm 63; Rom 12, Mt 16

St Elizabeth's Mass Times

Sun	**30**	9.00am	***Paddy Mott***
Wed	**2**	9.30am	***Philomena Bernadette McDonnell***
Sun	**6**	9.00am	***Len Culshaw***

St Anne's Mass Times			
Sat	**29**		*Feast of the Passion of St John the Baptist*
		4.00pm	*Reconciliation & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*
		5.00pm	***Margaret Bristow** (Vigil Mass)*
Sun	**30**	10.30am	***Bridie Clarke** (streamed)*
			Followed by baptisms: Leo Toby Gordon & Melody Heys
Mon	**31**		*Bank Holiday, please note later Mass time*
		9.45am	*Morning Prayer*
		10.00am	***Mary Maher,** lately dead*
Tue	**1**	9.30am	***Suzanne Moore** (No Morning Prayer today)*
Wed	**2**		***No Mass today** (Mass at St Elizabeth's at 9.30am today)*
Thu	**3**		*Feast of St Gregory the Great*
			No Mass today
Fri	**4**		***No Mass today***
			There will be a Requiem Mass at 12.00 noon in the Metropolitan Cathedral for Rev Fr Joe Kendall
Sat	**5**	4.00pm	*Reconciliation & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*
		5.00pm	***Eogan Gallagher** (Vigil Mass)*
Sun	**6**	10.30am	***John Williams** (streamed)*
			Followed by baptism: Albie John Flannery

Dear Parishioners & Friends

Last Tuesday, in the divine office, we had a reading from Saint John Chrysostom (c. 347–407 AD). He was one of the early Church theologians, widely known as 'Church Fathers'. There were also several Church Mothers as well! He was Archbishop of Constantinople, famous for his great gift of oratory, which earned him the Greek surname Chrysostomos, meaning 'golden-mouthed'. This passage is about his five paths of repentance. We may not dwell much on 'sin' these days, but none-the-less it is worthwhile to reflect on how we can often 'fall off the perch' when we put ourselves before others, and forget about God's love for us, and how we can lead our human lives to the full. St John writes:

The first path is the path of condemnation of sins. As Isaiah says, Tell your sins, and you will be acquitted. And the Psalmist adds: I said, "I will bear witness against myself before the Lord," and you forgave the guilt of my sin. So, you too must condemn the sins you have committed. Condemn them, and that condemnation will

excuse you in front of the Lord, since whoever condemns the sins he or she has committed will be slower to commit them next time. Stir up your own conscience to be your accuser – so that when you come before the judgement-seat of the Lord no-one will rise up to accuse you.

This is the first path of repentance, but the second is in no way inferior to it in excellence. It is to forget the harm done to us by our enemies, to master our anger, to forgive the sins of those who are slaves together with us. As much as we do this, so much will our own sins against the Lord be forgiven. So, this is the second path to the expiation of our sins. As the Lord says, Yes, if you forgive others their failings, your heavenly Father will forgive you yours.

Would you like to know the third path of repentance? It is prayer: fervent prayer, sincere and focused prayer, prayer coming from the depths of the heart.

If you want to know the fourth path, I will tell you: it is the giving of alms. It has great power.

And finally, if someone acts with modesty and humility, that path is no less effective as a way to deprive sin of its substance. Look at the publican, who had no good deeds to speak of. In place of good deeds, he offered humility, and the huge burden of his sins fell away.

So now I have shown you the five paths of repentance. First, condemnation of sins. Second, forgiving the sins of those near us. Third, prayer. Fourth, almsgiving. Fifth, humility.

So do not be idle, but every day advance along all these paths at once. They are not hard paths to follow. Poverty is no excuse for not setting out on the journey. Even if you are destitute, you can do all these things: put aside anger, carry humility in front

of you, pray hard, condemn your sins. Poverty is no obstacle – not even to that path of penitence that demands money: that is, almsgiving. Remember the story of the widow's mite.

Now we have learnt the right way to heal our wounds, let us apply these remedies. Let us regain true health and confidently receive the blessings of Holy Communion. Thus, we may come, filled with glory, to the glory of Christ's kingdom, and receive its eternal joys through the grace, mercy and kindness of our Lord Jesus Christ.

St. Anne's Anniversaries for August 2026 (Last 10 yrs):

Anne Hunt, Edna Melling, Edward Forshaw, Keith Clayton, John Brugnola, Colette Corkill, Francis Atherton, Clive Harwood, Pamela Hodgson, Joan Ratcliff, Maureen Denny, Josephine Hall, Anthony Allen, Grace McClelland, Linda Burden, Joseph Corbett, Evelyn Yim, George (Tony) Smith, Gillian German, Teresa Fitzsimmons, Patricia Pope, Tony Grieco, Edmund Michael Geoghegan, Joan Whelan, James Boyle, John James Coffey, Catherine Walsh, Rita (Ri) Williams, Alan Birkett Hughes, William Joseph Hesketh, Kathleen Moran, Irene Bimpson, Marie Harris, Sid Moy.

St Elizabeth's Anniversaries for August 2026 (Last 10 yrs:)

John Whittle, James Sharrock, Cecilia Marr, Josephine Heyes.

Please pray for the sick:

St Anne's: *Jean Ball, Lauren Bradley, Sylvia & Jim Burgess, Ruth Charnock, Geraldine Crompton, Elizabeth Culshaw, Mike Devlin, Leanne Emmett, Mike Gilmartin, Steven Hankin-Hallsworth, Angela Lindon, Mary Linton, Ann Melia, Maureen O'Connor, John Orritt, Stella Potter, Richard Sutherland, Sandra Sugden, Maureen Taylor.*

St Elizabeth's: *Terry Turner, Eric Mills, Jean Olverson, Joe Ackers, Katie, Derek Murphy, Gerrard Witter, Wendy, Tom Ireland, Robert Wright, Ann Barlow, Susan, Veronica Massam.*

Recently Sick: *Mike Pendergast, Anne Corrin, Michael Mullan, James Hardacre & David Mullan.*

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Margaret Marray, Sue Carver & former parishioner Maureen Simpson who died recently.

St Anne's News:

Mgr. John Butchard *has written to thank you all for your very generous gift on the celebration of his 60 years of his being a priest. We were able to send him a cheque for £600.00. Having been brought up in St Anne's parish Fr John has always been a close friend and great supporter of St Anne's. Thank you for your generosity to him.* ***Fr Godric***

Welcome *to Christine, Barbara, Debbie and Derek, who have joined our team of church cleaners. And thank you to our wonderful team who give their time so generously to keep our church clean, tidy and welcoming!* ***Catherine McGair***

SVP: *Our next meeting is on Monday 7th September at 8.00pm.* ***Eileen Russell***

Cait Talbot-Landers, *the daughter of the late Maureen Simpson would like parishioners to know that her mother's ashes will be interred in St. Anne's Graveyard on Friday 11th September at 10.30am.*

Weekly Bulletin Notices: *A reminder that the deadline for notices for the weekly bulletin is Wednesday. This allows me enough time to prepare the bulletin while also continuing with my other parish work. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.* ***Colette***

St Elizabeth's News

St Elizabeth's Summer Raffle – *the draw took place at the open-air Mass last Sunday. There is a list of the prize winners at the back of Church – please check and collect your prizes from the Sacristy. Many thanks to the sellers, the donations of prizes and for buying the tickets.*

We had a wonderful outdoor Mass *in our lovely garden last Sunday which was very well attended by old and new faces. The sun shone for us, and everyone enjoyed their picnics afterwards entertained by the choir with several Beatles renditions – a trip down memory lane! Thanks to everyone who came, Fr Godric & Fr Joseph and especially all those who helped to make the occasion so special.*

Please note – *Little Church is on holiday until 6th September.*

There will be coffee/tea after every Sunday Mass *– everyone welcome.*

Our Harvest Festival, *Mass will be held on Sunday 27th September, at 9am.*

If anyone is sick or is admitted to hospital, *please contact Bernie in the Parish office in the first instance on 07525805240. If anyone needs a priest and the parish office is closed, please contact St Annes – 01695 572168.*

If anyone who is housebound *and would like to receive Holy Communion, please contact the parish office to arrange.*

Altar Servers

If your child or a child in your care would like to become an Altar Server at St. Anne's, and they have made their First Holy Communion, please pass their details into the parish office marked "Altar Servers", together with your mobile and email details. We have a friendly group of servers, and look forward to introducing more servers into our Saturday and Sunday celebrations, giving more of our young people the opportunity to serve God in this very special way, and enhance our Liturgy.

Training for new servers will take place in October, please have contact details by **Monday September 28th.** Any queries, or if you just want to chat about it, do not hesitate to contact me.

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

Safeguarding Survey -
A message from Bishop Tom Neylon

In October, the Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency (CSSA) will conduct an audit on the archdiocesan safeguarding team and the work they do to keep our parishes safe.
As part of this audit, we're asking everyone within the Archdiocese of Liverpool – whether you are a victim, survivor, volunteer or parishioner - to take a few minutes to complete this survey.

The survey will be open from Monday 24 August and will close on Friday 25 September

Browse this bulletin on our website and access the link below:

Complete the survey

Can you help? Men's clothing appeal.

SHARe Knowsley is seeking donations of clean, good quality men's clothing to support people seeking asylum who are rebuilding their lives with dignity. We particularly need everyday clothing, coats, shoes, and trainers in all sizes. We also welcome toiletries and women's clothing.

Please bring them to SHARe at The Old School House, St. John's Road, Huyton, Liverpool, L36 0UX (open Mon-Fri 9-5) or call 07915 252300.
Thank you very much for your support.

Maura Roche

SHARe Knowsley

Light your Flame!

Calling young people between 14-18.

We are delighted to invite expressions of interest from young people aged 14 and over to join a parish trip to **Flame 2027** on the 6th March, supported by the Chaplaincy team at St. Bede's.

Flame is the largest Catholic youth event in the UK. Organised by the Catholic Youth Ministry Federation (CYMFed), this inspiring biennial gathering brings together thousands of young Catholics from across the country at the OVO Arena Wembley in London.

Anyone who is interested please contact Jacinta if you attend St. Bede's or collect a letter from the parish office or the back of Church. **B*ridget Mawtus***

When a devastating earthquake hit Myanmar nearly 18 months ago, CAFOD responded through our partners and the church network. Now, CAFOD's international staff involved in that response are visiting Liverpool Archdiocese! Hear about their work with families and communities affected by the earthquake – the type of work made possible with your support.

- **Tuesday 8th Sept - 6.45pm for a 7pm start - 8.30pm**
- **St Anne's parish room, Overbury Street, Liverpool L7 3HJ**

John Woods, Cafod Liverpool

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Irenaeus Centre, 32 Great Georges Road, Waterloo

We are desperately looking for 2-3 volunteers to fill the slot on a Monday afternoon, from 2.00 pm – 4.00 pm. If you can help, please phone 0151 949 1199 or contact jenny@irenaeus.co.uk
We are always looking for help at any other time.
We are open from 10.00am–4.00 pm on Mondays - Thursdays.
Thank you, ***Jenny***

PILGRIMAGE TO ASSISI

9th Nov – 13th November 2026

Assisi by air from Manchester
£895 sharing, £1070 in single room
Deposit £300 per person

Pilgrimage to Lourdes for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception

7th Dec – 11th December 2026

Fly from Manchester to Bordeaux
£650 sharing, £775 in single room
Deposit £250 per person

Itinerary & Booking Forms available from St Anne's parish office or email
paxorm@rcaol.org.uk

Godric OSB