The Parishes of

St. Anne, Ormskirk &
St. Elizabeth, Scarisbrick

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9th August 2026

Nineteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Readings: L1 567: 1 kgs 19; Ps 85; Rom 9; Mt 14

St Elizabeth's Mass Times

Sun	**9**	9.00am	***Bob Gregory***
Wed	**12**	9.30am	***Bridget Mary Maher***
Sun	**16**	9.00am	***Jack, Josie, Elaine & Derrick Prescott*** *Followed by the baptism of Ellen Rose Dean*

St Anne's Mass Times

Sat	**8**	4.00pm 5.00pm	*Reconciliation & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament* ***Clive Harwood, 5th anniv*** *(Vigil Mass)*
Sun	**9**	10.30am	***Margaret Wiechers*** *(streamed)* *Followed by the baptism of Nara Jopson*
Mon	**10**	 9.15am 9.30am	*Feast of St Lawrence* *Morning Prayer* ***The Vass Family***
Tue	**11**	 9.15am 9.30am	*Feast of St Clare* *Morning Prayer* ***Maisie & Owen Gallagher***
Wed	**12**	9.15am 9.30am	*Morning Prayer* ***Breda O'Byrne***
Thu	**13**	9.15am 9.30am	*Morning Prayer* ***Rita Difley***
Fri	**14**	 9.15am 9.30am	*Feast of St Maximilian Kolbe* *Morning Prayer* ***Eileen Russell***
Sat	**15**	4.00pm 5.00pm	*Reconciliation & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament* ***Terence Burns*** *(Vigil of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary)*
Sun	**16**	 10.30am	*Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary* ***James Thomson*** *(streamed)* *Followed by baptisms of Sidney & Lenny Roberts*

Dear Parishioners & Friends

We are truly delighted to see our young people return from Lourdes with hearts full of faith. Their journey was not just a pilgrimage, but a living experience of "being there for one another." They cared for the sick and physically challenged, bringing smiles and cheers to those who needed it most. We also thank them for carrying thousands of petitions from people across the Archdiocese of Liverpool, and entrusting them to powerful intercession of Our Lady of Lourdes. It was equally heartwarming to see our uniformed group of children travel to Austria by a couch and camping there for special training and gaining new experiences in Deutsche speaking country.

At the same time, many of our parishioners are on the move during summer holidays and enjoying the sunshine. Yet we also witnessed unprecedented summer heat, wild fire and tragic loss of lives by diving into very cold rivers and canals that are not safe.

The world is facing a drastic climate change in every corner of the earth – affecting animals, farmers and every living being. This brings to mind Pope Francis' encyclical Laudato Si (2015) "Praised Be". It is more relevant now than ever. Pope Francis calls the earth our "common home" and reminds us that we all share a responsibility to care for it. He writes, "Our Common Home is falling into serious decay". He names pollution, deforestation, loss of biodiversity, and climate change as moral issues, not just political ones. "The Cry of the Earth is the Cry of the Poor." The people hit first and worst by environmental damage are the poor. Climate change is a justice issue. He speaks of "throwaway culture"- where consumerism, fast fashion, fast tech, waste, and endless growth are draining our resources. He calls us back to simplicity and moderation. Drawing from the book of Genesis, he reminds us that we are called to be "stewards, not owners" of creation – to "till and keep" the garden God gave us. That means respecting the creation and, not exploiting it any cost. This encyclical calls for dialogue and action and invites governments, businesses, churches, and individuals to work together. He also emphasizes the spiritual dimension in safeguarding nature.

St. Francis of Assisi, a true lover of nature, called the earth "Mother Earth", the sun "Brother Sun" and the moon "Sister Moon." He understood God stands in and through human relationship and this relationship is bonded together with nature that sustains all living beings. Pope Francis proposed a path forward: protecting biodiversity, reducing emission, safeguarding water, embracing a change of lifestyle, right education and politics that prioritize both people and the planet. Above all, he invites us to grow in gratitude and appreciation for all that God created – for our good and for human flourishing through prayer.

This extreme weather conditions are a wake-up call. Let us to look after our small gardens at the back of our homes, and appreciate every plant, tree and animal and remember that every living creature has a right to live joyfully, peacefully and freely - just as the Master intended.

"It takes a minute to cut down a tree, but years to grow one. Let us be planters, not just consumers."

Wishing you God's blessings

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 July 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, Sue Carver, 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.*

Please pray for the repose of the soul of John Joseph Robinson who died recently.

St Anne's News:

Pastoral Centre Users: *Please do ensure all doors are securely locked/closed before leaving the building. The lounge door was ajar on Monday morning.*

Congratulations *to parishioners Maureen and Gerry Long who will be celebrating their 72nd wedding anniversary on Friday 14th August.*

Wheelchairs: *In case of medical emergencies, we have two wheelchairs, one located in the side entrance porch, the other on the stage in the Parish Centre. Unfortunately, when we went for the one in church it was not there and was found in the Pastoral Centre kitchen. If you ever need one of these, please feel free to use it, but please arrange for it to be returned to its correct location, so that it is ready for anyone else who may need it. Many thanks -* ***Deacon Peter***

St Elizabeth's News

St Elizabeth's parish office *will be closed from 10th – 16th August – please contact St Annes office.*

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.

St Elizabeth's Summer Raffle – *tickets are now on sale at the back of church/porch. There are loads of fabulous prizes to be won £1 per strip. The draw will take place at the Open-Air Mass on 23rd August.*

Little Church *is on holiday until 6th September.*

FUTURE EVENTS –
St Elizabeth's OPEN-AIR MASS *on Sunday 23rd August at 12.30pm.- bring your own picnic afterwards – weather permitting.*
PLEASE NOTE THERE WILL BE NO 9am MASS ON THAT DAY.

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

Hi Everyone,

I'm delighted to confirm that during 2026 we have collected £1307 for Missio through the " Red Box" donations. This includes around £700 as part of our recent summer collections which have been completed by our wonderful team of volunteers.

Thank you to everyone who has donated to my team of volunteers and all of you who keep our Missions in your prayers. It means a lot.

If you would like one of our team to collect your box or perhaps wish to have a Red Box in your home, please do get in touch with me via the details below. Alternatively, you can donate online on a singular or regular basis- just get in touch.

Best Regards

Keith

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Walks of Faith

Hi Everyone,

I'm delighted to confirm that I have now collected all donations for the recent Walks of Faith which took in St Anne's, St John the Evangelist, Our Lady & All Saints and St Elizabeth's in Scarisbrick.

You have been very generous in your donations and overall, we have collected £1760 for the much-needed works on St Anne's Church Roof.

Thank you to all of our walkers and all those who supported us in whatever way they could. We have a wonderful community in St Anne's and St Elizabeth's who have really pulled together to make this a great success!

Keith Stopforth

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***

Thinking of becoming a Catholic? "Come and See".

The Catholic communities of St Anne's and St Elizabeth's invite anyone who wishes to find out about becoming a Catholic, to attend a "Come and See" on -

Tuesday 22nd September 2026 at 6.45pm.

- a date to save in the diary before the excitement of the summer holidays takes over.

Leaflets with details about that evening and about the sessions which follow, will be available at the back of both Churches.

Please take a Leaflet to pass on to anyone who might be interested in becoming a Catholic.

Please also keep in your prayers a number of people who have already expressed an interest in the Catholic Faith that they may "Come and See" and together, start on this Journey in Faith.

Thank you. RCIA team.

PILGRIMAGE TO ASSISI

9th Nov – 13th Nov

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

Please contact St Anne's parish office for details
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