Retiring Collection today:

Catholic Education Service

The Parishes of

St. Anne, Ormskirk & St. Elizabeth, Scarisbrick

Parish Priest: Very Rev. Fr. Godric Timney OSB
Assistant Priest: Rev. Fr. Joseph Jacob
Deacons: Rev. Des Bill & Rev. Peter Mawtus
Youth Minister: Mike Price mpyouthminister8@googlemail.com
St. Anne's Priory 23 Prescot Rd Ormskirk L39 4TG **Tel:** 01695 572168
Parish Administrator: Colette Adams-Duff **Parish office e-mail: paxorm@rcaol.org.uk**

St. Anne's Parish Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9.30am until 12.30pm
St. Anne's Website: www.stannes-ormskirk.org.uk

St Elizabeth's Parish Office Hours: Open every Wednesday 10.30am until 12.30pm
St. Elizabeth's Presbytery: 10 Hall Road Scarisbrick L40 9QE **Tel:** 01704 880226
St. Elizabeth's Website: www.stelizabeths-scarisbrick.org.uk
St. Elizabeth's office email: stelizabeth.southport@rcaol.org.uk

Parish Pastoral Council address: ppc@stannes-ormskirk.org.uk
Safeguarding Officers: (St Anne's) Terry Graham t.graham390@btinternet.com
(St Elizabeth's) Les Rippon les.rippon@outlook.com
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

13th September 2026

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Readings: L1 583; Sir 27; Ps 103; Rom 14; Mt 18.

St Elizabeth's Mass Times

Sun	**13**	9.00am	***George & Margaret Wright*** • *Retiring Collection: Catholic Education Service* • ***3:00pm:*** *Sung Evening Prayer to mark the culmination of the Nuncio's visit in the Metropolitan Cathedral*
Wed	**16**	9.30am	*Feast of Saints Cornelius & Cyprian* ***Holy Souls***
Thu	**17**	**11.00am**	***Requiem Mass: Susan Carver***
Sun	**20**	9.00am	***Joe & Dorothy Houghton*** • *Retiring Collection: Evangelii Gaudium*

St Anne's Mass Times

Sat	**12**		• *Amplify Youth Event in Pastoral Centre at 2.00pm. The young people of our parishes & those of the Coach 8 Lourdes Pilgrimage have been invited to join us for the vigil Mass*
		4.00pm	*Reconciliation & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*
		5.00pm	***James Thomson*** *(Vigil Mass)*
			• *Retiring Collection: Catholic Education Service*
Sun	**13**	10.30am	***Mark Doyle,*** *lately dead (streamed)*
			• *Retiring Collection: Catholic Education Service*
			• ***3:00pm:*** *Sung Evening Prayer to mark the culmination of the Nuncio's visit in the Metropolitan Cathedral*
Mon	**14**		*Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross*
		9.15am	*Morning Prayer*
		9.30am	***Sue Richardson****, lately dead*
			• *UCM in Pastoral Centre Lounge at 1.00pm*
Tue	**15**		*Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows*
		9.15am	*Morning Prayer*
		9.30am	***Special Intention for the Richardson Family***
			• *Prayer Group in Pastoral Centre Lounge at 10.30am*
			• *PPC in Pastoral Centre at 7.00pm*
Wed	**16**		*Feast of Saints Cornelius & Cyprian*
		9.15am	*Morning Prayer*
		9.30am	***Maureen Hankin Hallsworth,*** *5th anniversary*
Thu	**17**		*No Mass today (Requiem Mass at St Elizabeth's at 11.00am)*
Fri	**18**	**11.30am**	***Requiem Mass: Margaret Marray***
Sat	**19**	4.00pm	*Reconciliation & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*
		5.00pm	***Sheila Peet*** *(Vigil Mass)*
			• *Retiring Collection: Evangelii Gaudium*
Sun	**20**	10.30am	***Angela Lindon***
			• *Retiring Collection: Evangelii Gaudium*
			Baptism after Mass: Libby Eloise Marlow

Creation Time Sundays 6th September to 4th October.

A thought from Pope Francis for the Season of Creation Sept 13th

'If we scan the regions of our planet, we immediately see that humanity has disappointed God's expectations.' *Laudato Si* 61

Dear Parishioners & Friends

In a recent edition of 'The Tablet' I came across an interesting article by a Jesuit priest, Fr David Neuhaus SJ, about the role that Christians play in Israel and Palestine. David himself is a fascinating person. Born of Jewish parents in South Africa he became a Catholic through meeting an Orthodox nun living in a monastery on the Mount of Olives. He is currently a lecturer at the Pontifical Biblical Institute in Jerusalem. I have met him a couple of times.

Conquest and domination characterise the regimes in this part of the Middle East, and war and conflict are factors of everyday life. The role of Christian? David looks to the Gospel when Jesus says, 'The kingdom of heaven is like leaven, which a woman took, and hid in three measures of meal, till the whole was leavened'. Leaven disappears into bread when bread is baked. It is transformed into the dough. In a similar way the Church in Palestine and Israel is like the leaven in society, manifested through schools, hospitals, homes for orphans, disabled people and the elderly… The Church doesn't blatantly fly flags. No distinction is made between Jew, Muslim, Christian. Christians are involved in society, not as a separate enclave but they do their best to witness to forgiveness, reconciliation, justice, being at the service of those in need, and hope. This is what living the life, death and resurrection of Jesus is all about. The bishops in the Patriarchate speak of promoting a vision of Christian faith that takes no sides but presents a life which leads to fulness of life for all.

Despite all our brokenness, we too in our situation can be the leaven in our disjointed society.

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

Baby Florence (Florrie) Maria Bilboe, Tom McParland, Anne O'Neill, Tony Newhall, Jim Holland, Derek Riley, John Williams, Denis Whelan, Kathleen Gundersen, Ivan Howard, Thomas McCormick, Nicola Baldwin, Angela McGrath, John Donleavy, Mary Rafferty, Ugo Saporito, Thomas McFarlane, Maureen Hankin-Hallsworth, George Gogerty, Kathleen Jackson, Joseph Boon, Maureen Price, Kathleen Gibbons, Sheila Livesey, Jeremy Daly, Vivienne Watson, Dorothy Nankivell, Laura Foulds, Thomas Whitty, Marie Laffey, Norah Parkes, Margery Wharton, Ann Ashcroft, Christina Lee, Eileen Munro, James Rolfe.

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

Bill Clegg, Maureen Dobson, David Youds, Winnie Church.

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: *Olive Low, Albert Jeffers, Mike Pendergast, Anne Corrin, Michael Mullan, James Hardacre, David Mullan & Micha Alexaner, aged 20, due to have a life-saving operation.*

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Deacon Michael Wright, father of Matthew Wright and Michael's aunt Tricia Sloan, Margaret Marray, Sue Carver & former parishioner Maureen Simpson who died recently.

St Anne's News:

UCM meeting 14th Sept. *Diane Edwards from St James Westhead will be giving a talk on Commonwealth War Graves. Meeting will commence at 1pm and open to all.* ***Pat Harwood***

Churches Together in Ormskirk are holding an ecumenical service today, Sunday,13th September, at Christ Church Ministry Centre, Long Lane, Aughton L39 5AS. All are welcome at 6pm for light refreshments followed by prayer and worship at 6.30pm - 8pm. ***Margaret Daunt***

St Elizabeth's News

Little Church *starts today Sunday 6th September – Any child aged 3 – 11 are very welcome to join us.*

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

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

Note from Alice Molyneux *re Archdiocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes from Coach 8. There is a poster in the porch at the back of church thanking the parishioners of St Elizabeth' s for their generous donations and support to which they were able to purchase candles for the torchlight procession and for the volunteers to enjoy an afternoon at the lake giving them time to reflect recharge and spend valuable time together after days dedicated to caring for the sick, elderly and disabled pilgrims. Your kindness has helped create memories that will last a lifetime and has enabled our young people to continue serving others with joy, compassion and faith.*
We are so grateful to everyone for your prayers and donations that helped to make the week even more special.

A Creation Time Event A Film at St Anne's Parish Centre
Monday 21st September 2026 7-9 pm

What's happening with climate and nature, and what does it mean for everyday life in the UK? Join us for a screening of the People's Emergency Briefing – a 50-minute film bringing together nine leading UK scientists and experts with the latest evidence and why it matters for things like: Extreme weather Food security Health Cost of living The film features appearances from Chris Packham, Deborah Meaden, and a range of voices from across the UK. After the film there will be an open discussion about what it means for our community and what we can do locally. All adults welcome but this is not a film for children under 16 Learn more at www.nebriefing.org

Susan O'Halloran

Thinking of Becoming a Catholic?
"Come & 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
St Anne's Pastoral Centre at 7.00pm

Leaflets with details about the evening and about the sessions which follow will be available at the back of church this weekend.

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

RCIA
A Journey In Faith

Caretaker Vacancy
St Anne's Primary School

30 hours per week.
Hours: 7-9:30am & 3-6:30pm

If anyone is interested, can they pop into the school office for a chat.

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***

Foundation Governor Opportunities

St Anne's Primary School, Ormskirk, are looking for two new foundation governors to support our school community. We are ideally looking for people who can commit to six meetings a year, with some additional responsibility as needed. The governing body currently has a gap in experience with finance so would be looking for at least one person with finance or business experience. This is a voluntary role that is subject to archdiocese appointment and DBS clearance.

For informal queries please contact John Brindle, Chair of Governors, at j.brindle@st-annesrc.lancs.sch.uk or speak to Father Godric.

Many thanks,

John Brindle

Dear parishioners,

St Bede's High School's Gardening Angels will be planting spring bulbs on the school grounds this autumn. The planting of the spring flowers aims to help to sustain early pollinators such as bees and butterflies, as well as to bring some much-needed colour. This is part of our ongoing Live Simply project in school and is inspired by Pope Francis's letter " Laudato Si" about caring for our common home. As well as Pope Leo's invitation to contribute to the five-week Season of Creation this Autumn. We are asking for donations of spring bulbs and bulb planting tools. The bulbs we are asking for especially are **snowdrops, hyacinths, crocuses and tulips,** as well as daffodils. If you are willing and able to make a donation, please can you leave the bulbs at School's reception.
Thank you

St Bede's Gardening Angels

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***