The Parishes of

St. Anne, Ormskirk & St. Elizabeth, Scarisbrick

Today's retiring collection:
Evangelii Gaudium

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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

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20th September 2026

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Readings: L1 586: is 55; Ps 145; Php 1; Mt 20.

St Elizabeth's Mass Times

Sun	**20**	9.00am	***Joe & Dorothy Houghton*** • *Retiring Collection: Evangelii Gaudium*
Wed	**23**	9.30am	*Feast of St Pius of Pietrelcina* ***Philomena Bernadette McDonnell***
Sun	**27**	9.00am	*Harvest Festival* ***Mark Houghton***

St Anne's Mass Times

Sat	**19**	4.00pm 5.00pm	*Reconciliation & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament* ***Sheila Peet*** *(Vigil Mass)* • *Retiring Collection: Evangelii Gaudium*
Sun	**20**	10.30am	***Angela Lindon*** *(streamed)* • *Retiring Collection: Evangelii Gaudium* • *Baptism after Mass: Libby Eloise Marlow*
Mon	**21**	 9.15am 9.30am	*Feast of St Matthew* *Morning Prayer* ***Dr Khadijah Hussain*** • *UCM Annual Party in Pastoral Centre Lounge at 1.00pm* • *Environmental Film 7.00pm in Pastoral Centre*
Tue	**22**	**9.00am**	***Thanksgiving (LW)*** *(NB Earlier Mass time)* • *Prayer Group in Pastoral Centre Lounge at 10.30am* • *Come & See Event in Pastoral Centre at 7.00pm*
Wed	**23**	 9.15am 9.30am	*Feast of St Pius of Pietrelcina* *Morning Prayer* ***Veronica Carey***
Thu	**24**	 9.15am 9.30am	*Feast of Our Lady of Walsingham* *Morning Prayer* ***Kelly Marie Lundie,*** *lately dead*
Fri	**25**	9.15am 9.30am	*Morning Prayer* ***Jackie Wilcock***
Sat	**26**	4.00pm 5.00pm	*Reconciliation & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament* ***Mathew Clarke*** *(Vigil Mass)*
Sun	**27**	10.30am	***Liz & Mark Ireland, 40th Wedding Anniversary*** *(streamed)* *Baptisms after Mass:* *Archie Caldwell Chapman & Vincent Fairweather-Chapman*

Evangelii Gaudium

The Retiring Collection this weekend, on Home Mission Sunday, is to support the work carried out by the Bishops' Conference Mission Directorate. This supports a wide field of service and mission in England and Wales. Please hold this important work in your prayers and give as generously as you can. Thank you.

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Dear Parishioners & Friends

Two weeks ago, the *End-of-Life* Bill which sought to legalise assisted suicide in England and Wales, was rejected at the Second Reading in the House of Commons. Archbishop John has expressed his thanks to the Lord and all those in the archdiocese who, through prayer, witness, campaigning and writing to MPs, helped to bring this about. I know that our MP for West Lancs, Ashley Dalton, spoke eloquently about her opposition to the bill, and I would like to express our thanks to her in particular. Archbishop John also encourages us to continue to uphold the dignity of every human life with charity and conviction.

Archbishop John has written: We are a people dedicated to the good and dignity of life in all its stages. May the Lord continue to bless those in authority, those who make decisions, and those who implement them, so that public life may always be marked by justice, compassion and respect for the vulnerable.

There has been much in the media recently about the financial difficulties that hospices are encountering and Queenscourt in Southport has been especially hit by rising costs and a decline in income. Let us do all we can by prayer and personal support to assist all those involved in palliative care for those nearing the end of life and for their families.

Godric OSB

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, Helen Hesketh, 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: *Dennis McKiernan*, 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 Albert Jeffers and Olive Low who died recently.

St Anne's News:

REMINDER! *If you are a volunteer whose duties are likely to take more than the 2 hour grace period during the week or the extended grace period around Mass times, then send your name, registration number and details of your volunteer group to paxormparking@gmail.com so that you can be included on the parking fine exemption list.*

UCM annual party tomorrow, *Monday 21st, celebrating members O's birthdays.*

SHOP: *Christmas catalogue to view in shop if any parishioner wishes to order a crib or nativity set.*

Sunday 4th October: *Harvest Festival will be celebrated at St Anne's. Also, we will have a Blessing of Animals Service at 3.00pm.*

SVP: *The next meeting is Monday 5th October at 8.00pm.*

St Anne's Parish Office is closed next Thursday and Friday.

St Elizabeth's News

Little Church *every Sunday except school holidays – 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. We would welcome any donations of fruit & veg etc to decorate the church. Please bring either Wed 23rd am or Friday 25th by 10am. Thank you.*

Our choir *will be taking part in St Maries Church Southport concert on Friday 25th September. Tickets £10 available from Kath Wilson.*

St Mark's *are holding a Saturday morning ladies breakfast every other month – everyone is welcome to come to chat over a bagel etc in the parish hall. No charge but donations would be greatly received.*

St Anne's *are holding a service of blessing of animals on Sunday 4th October at 3pm – weather permitting. Please see St Anne's bulletin for details.*

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.*

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 – 01695572168.*

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

Creation Time Sundays 6th September to 4th October.

A thought from Pope Francis for the Season of Creation Sept 20th

'Yet we are called to be instruments of God our Father, so that our planet might be what he desired when he created it and correspond with his plan for peace, beauty and fulness.' Laudato Si 53

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

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE

Are you planning to get married in St Anne's or St Elizabeth's church? The archdiocese is now offering a marriage preparation course for engaged couples. To be led by trained lay facilitators, the 4-session course will help you develop skills which could facilitate good communication within your relationship and an understanding of sacramental marriage within the Catholic faith.

The next course will be available on Monday 26 October, 2 November, 9 November and 16 November (for 4 consecutive Mondays), at St Anne's Pastoral Centre, Prescot Road, Ormskirk, L39 4TG. If you are interested to join, or find out about other dates please book online here https://tinyurl.com/mr6p8vne and follow the links, and advise our Parish Office

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

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.

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***

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

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

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***

fundraising for Queens Court Hospice

Medieval Jukebox

Harp & Hammered Dulcimer Duo

With support fron St Elizabeth's Choir

25th September

St Marie's Church

Doors open	Music at
6.45pm	7pm

Tickets £10 available from St Marie's, St Patrick's & St Elizabeth's