The Parishes of

St. Anne, Ormskirk &
St. Elizabeth, Scarisbrick

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6th September 2026

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Readings: L1 580 Ezk 33; Ps 95; Rom 13; Mt 18

St Elizabeth's Mass Times

Sun	**6**	9.00am	***Len Culshaw***
Wed	**9**	9.30am	***John & Ann Brown & deceased members of the Brown Family***
Sun	**13**	9.00am	***George & Margaret Wright*** *Please see back page about the Apostolic Nuncio in the Metropolitan Cathedral*

St Anne's Mass Times

Sat	**5**	4.00pm 5.00pm	*Reconciliation & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament* ***Eogan Gallagher*** *(Vigil Mass)*
Sun	**6**	10.30am	***John Williams*** *(streamed)* *Followed by baptism: Albie John Flannery*
Mon	**7**	9.15am 9.30am	*Morning Prayer* ***James McDonnell*** • *UCM in Pastoral Centre Lounge at 1.00pm - Welcome Back & Reflections of past family & friends* • *SVP in Pastoral Centre Lounge at 8.00pm*
Tue	**8**	 9.15am 9.30am	*Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary* *Morning Prayer* ***Special Intention for Anna*** • *Prayer Group in Pastoral Centre Lounge at 10.30am*
Wed	**9**		***No Mass today*** *(Mass at St Elizabeth's at 9.30am)*
Thu	**10**	 9.15am 9.30am **2.00pm**	*Feast of St Ambrose Barlow* *Morning Prayer* ***Wyn Wright*** *Wedding Service: Chloe Roisin Francis & Kieran McCallum*
Fri	**11**	 9.30am	*There is no Morning Prayer today* ***St Anne's Primary School Welcomers Mass***
Sat	**12**	 4.00pm 5.00pm	• *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* *Reconciliation & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament* ***James Thomson*** *(Vigil Mass)*
Sun	**13**	10.30am	***Mark Doyle,*** *lately dead (streamed)* • *Please see back page about the Apostolic Nuncio in the Metropolitan Cathedral*

Creation Time
Sundays 6th September to 4th October.

A thought from Pope Francis for the Season of Creation

'The entire material universe speaks of God's love, his boundless affection for us. Soil, water, mountains: everything is, as it were, a caress of God.' ***Laudato Si 84***

Dear Parishioners & Friends

From 01 September to 04 October, we celebrate the Season of Creation. This is what Pope Leo has to say about it.

HOMILY OF HIS HOLINESS POPE LEO XIV

The gardens of Castel Gandolfo Tuesday, 1 September 2026

Dear brothers and sisters,

On this World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, the readings chosen for today's liturgy offer us two invitations to contemplate the works of the Lord — a task that is certainly not difficult in the setting of these beautiful gardens.

The Book of Wisdom encourages us to contemplate the beauty and power of creation, in order to appreciate its Creator (cf. Wis 13:1–9). It would be superficial to marvel at fire, wind, rushing waters or the stars of heaven, without allowing our gaze to rise to the Creator of such wonders. Psalm 18 urges us to lift our eyes to contemplate the heavens, which proclaim the glory of God, and the firmament, which declares the work of his hands. All creation speaks to us of the greatness of its Creator, if only our eyes and hearts remain open to such a great mystery.

Similarly, the Gospel passage from Matthew (cf. Mt 6:24–34) invites us to contemplate creation, while emphasizing the Lord's special love for the human person. As we look upon the birds of the air and the lilies of the field with wonder — so precious in the eyes of their Creator — we come to understand the greatness of God's love for us. If the Lord does not fail to bestow such splendid beauty upon plants and animals and provide for all their needs, how much more attentive will he be to the needs of his beloved sons and daughters!

This evening, as we accept the invitation to pause and reflect before the works of God, we begin the "Season of Creation" — a period of five weeks devoted to prayer and commitment to the care of our "common home." On this Day, therefore, and in the weeks ahead, let us set aside a few moments to pause from the frenzy of our daily lives, in order to savour the profound harmony of which we ourselves are a part. Let us place in "silent mode" the many noises generated by human activity, so that we may hear the melodious voice of creation, through which God, the Author of all things, speaks to us.

This task of contemplation, which disposes us to an encounter with the Lord, is a first step towards an "authentic ecological conversion, where the effects of our encounter with Jesus Christ become evident in our relationship with the world around us" From contemplating creation and encountering its Creator, there arises an awareness of our particular place within God's wondrous plan, and of the responsibility that we bear both personally and collectively for preserving the

original harmony. Thus, as we become conscious of our shortcomings and failures, we can renew our commitment to restoring the relationships among all creatures according to the will of their Creator.

For this reason, the Message for today's World Day echoes "the prophetic call to 'beat swords into ploughshares' (Is 2:4)… to transform harm into life." It is not yet too late, and the Season of Creation calls us to a profound conversion: "What has been used for destruction can be redirected toward life, toward the care of the poor, the nourishment of the hungry, and the safeguarding of creation"

The Season we begin today will conclude on 4 October, when we will celebrate the eighth centenary of the Transitus of Saint Francis of Assisi. Pope Francis drew particular inspiration from him in writing the Encyclical Letter Laudato Si' and in giving life to the Borgo that welcomes us today. Let us therefore unite ourselves spiritually with the Poverello of Assisi and make his Canticle of praise our own:

"Praised be you, my Lord, with all your creatures, especially Sir Brother Sun… Praised be you, my Lord, through Sister Moon and the stars… Praised be you, my Lord, through Brother Wind... Praised be you, my Lord, through Sister Water… Praised be you, my Lord, through Brother Fire… Praised be you, my Lord, through our Sister Mother Earth, who sustains and governs us."

With Saint Francis, let us renew our commitment to living and promoting that universal fraternity which is inseparably bound to the task of caring for creation.

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On 11 September, MPs will debate the Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill at its Second Reading in the House of Commons.

We are inviting people from across the archdiocese to unite in prayer on Tuesday 8 September at 7.00pm via Zoom, ahead of the parliamentary debate.

Participants can register their interest in joining the prayer gathering and will receive the Zoom link, together with resources, before the debate.
Register your interest here:

Pray for the Protection of Life: Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill – Fill in form

The Archdiocese of Liverpool Communications Team

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: *Albert Jeffers, 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:

UCM meetings resume tomorrow, *Monday 7th September after the summer break with a full programme of speakers, Masses and events. All ladies of the Parish welcome to join us, meetings are weekly on Mondays from 1p.m. to 3p.m. Small charge at door for refreshments and raffle ticket.* ***Pat Harwood***

SVP: *Our next meeting is tomorrow, Monday 7th September at 8.00pm. Tickets will be collected at this meeting.* ***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.*

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***

St Elizabeth's News

The parish office is closed *until week beginning 14th September – please contact St Annes if required.*

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.

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***

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***

Sunday 13th September

The Apostolic Nuncio to Great Britain, Archbishop Miguel Maury Buendía, will visit the Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral on Sunday, 13 September.

- **11:00 AM:** Solemn Mass celebrated by the Apostolic Nuncio in the Cathedral.
- **3:00 PM:** Sung Evening Prayer to mark the culmination of the Nuncio's visit and the 175th anniversary of the Metropolitan Chapter of Liverpool.

Parishioners are most welcome to join us

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

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