The Parishes of

St. Anne, Ormskirk &
St. Elizabeth, Scarisbrick

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Bulletin Deadline: Wednesday

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18th October 2026

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Readings: L1 602: Is 45; Ps 96; 1 Th 1; Mt 22

St Elizabeth's Mass Times

Sun	**18**	9.00am	***Bob Critchley*** • *Retiring Collection: APF World Missions*
Wed	**21**	9.30am	***Paddy Mott***
Sun	**25**	9.00am	***Kathleen O'Neil***

St Anne's Mass Times

Sat	**17**	4.00pm 5.00pm	*Reconciliation & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament* ***Sheila Peet*** *(Vigil Mass)* • *Retiring Collection: APF World Missions*
Sun	**18**	10.30am	***Jimmy Riley*** *(streamed)* • *Retiring Collection: APF World Missions* *Baptisms after Mass: Arlo Jasper & Robyn Ruby Cutts*
Mon	**19**	**1.15pm**	***Requiem Mass: Madeleine Anne Edwards*** • *UCM in Pastoral Centre Hall at 1.00pm* • *SVP in Pastoral Centre Lounge at 8.00pm*
Tue	**20**	**9.00am**	***Marie Roberts, lately dead*** *(NB Earlier Mass time)* • *Prayer Group in Pastoral Centre Lounge at 10.30am*
Wed	**21**	9.15am 9.30am	*Morning Prayer* ***Veronica Carey & her daughter Elizabeth***
Thu	**22**	9.15am 9.30am	*Morning Prayer* ***M & S Heffernan***
Fri	**23**	9.15am 9.30am	*Morning Prayer* ***Jeanne Paminter***
Sat	**24**	4.00pm 5.00pm	*Reconciliation & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament* ***In Thanksgiving, surgeon, anesthetist & theatre staff*** *(Vigil Mass)*
Sun	**25**	10.30am	***Ann O'Neill, 1st Anniversary*** *(streamed)* • *Fr Joseph's Leaving Party after Mass in the Pastoral Centre*

All parishioners are invited to a meeting to review the future of St. Anne's Pastoral Centre at midday on **Sunday November 1st** - directly after the 10:30 mass for those attending. Over the years there have been many discussions about the future of the current Pastoral Centre, how it could be developed to fulfil our parish needs, or how we might replace it with a new facility that is less of a drain on parish resources. There have been significant developments over recent weeks that the trustees would like to share with the parish community.

Dear Parishioners & Friends

Last Saturday, dioceses in England and Wales celebrated Adoremus, the National Eucharistic Congress. In Liverpool, at the Metropolitan Cathedral, we held a day of prayer, Mass, Reconciliation, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, talks and workshops, throughout the day. The theme for this day of celebration was: How we are Eucharist. Archbishop John wrote the following in the programme for the day. I think it is worthwhile reflecting on what he says.

Our theme, 'How We Are Eucharist,' reminds us that the Eucharist is not simply something we receive, but something we are called to become. As St Augustine urged the early Christians, "Be what you see; receive what you are." Our Amen to the Body of Christ is also an Amen to becoming his Body in the world – lives shaped by thanksgiving, communion, service and mission.

Today, I invite you to look up and allow your eyes to rest upon the beauty of the Cathedral's stained-glass Lantern. It is formed from countless pieces of glass – different shapes and colours, each individual and unique. Yet, when brought together and illuminated by the light, they become something far more beautiful than any one piece could be alone. This offers us a wonderful image of who we are as the Body of Christ. We come together today with different gifts, experiences, personalities and stories; our differences are not erased, but in Christ they are drawn together into a deeper unity. As St Paul reminds us, "For just as the body is one and has many members…so it is with Christ" (1Corinthians 12:2). Like the glass above us we are many parts forming one whole, and when we allow the light of Christ to shine through us, together we reveal something of his beauty to the world.

I hope that today will be a time of grace and blessing for each of us. As we adore Christ, receive him in the Eucharist, listen to his Word and encounter him in one another, may we allow him to transform us more deeply into the people he calls us to be. And when the time comes to leave this Cathedral, may we carry his presence beyond these walls into our homes, parishes, schools, workplaces and communities. Come and adore; receive Christ anew – and then go out to become what you receive.

Godric OSB

St. Anne's Anniversaries for October 2026 (Last 10 yrs):
Joan McLarnon, Charles Dowling, Charles Geraghty, Maxine Fitzsimmons, Mark Condon, John Arnold, Jose Guedes, Brian Bostock, Margaret Moss, Stephanie Blackman, Maureen Parry, Mary Marron, David Wright, Veronica Sumner, Michael Lumby, Sheila Thompson, Marian Williams, Carol Daly, Theresa Houghton, David Collict, Valerie Swinnerton, Paul Rawes, Elizabeth Croft, Monica Gamble, John Roberts, Alan Williams, Hilda Keating, Edith McMillan.

St Elizabeth's Anniversaries for October 2026 (Last 10 yrs:)
Christopher McLoughlin, Ann Loftus, Joan Macken, Maurice Appleton, Sheila Thompson, Bob Critchley, Lillian Charnock, Robert Marshall.

Please pray for the sick:
St Anne's: *Jean Ball, Lauren Bradley, Sylvia & Jim Burgess, Ruth Charnock, Anne Corrin, Geraldine Crompton, Elizabeth Culshaw, Mike Devlin, Barbara Dobson, Leanne Emmett, Mike Gilmartin, Steven Hankin-Hallsworth, Helen Hesketh, Angela Lindon, Mary Linton, Ann Melia, Maureen O'Connor, John Orritt, Mike Pendergast, 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, David Mullan, Michael Mullan, James Hardacre, Dennis McKiernan, Barbara Dobson.*

Recently Sick: *Andrew Colwell.*

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Madeleine Anne Edwards & John Wright who died recently.

St Anne's News:

Annual Bereavement Mass: *Saturday 21 November at 12noon. All welcome.*

SVP: *Next meeting is tomorrow, Monday 19th October at 8.00pm.*

UCM Dates for your diary! *Meeting 19th October, Speaker Beryl McKenzie from Cottage Lane Mission about her travels. 26th October Bring & Buy Sale in aid of St Anne's Church & Roof Fund. All Parishioners welcome. Both meetings 1.00pm - 3.00pm in the main hall.*

SHOP: *Christmas cards, Nativities, calendars, candles available soon.*
Good selection of Grave candles LED & wick for November All Souls & Bereavement Mass.

Lost Property *Several items have been making a home in the Lost Property box at the back of church for some while - such as gloves, umbrellas, flat caps, rosary rings, Sunday Missal. Please take a minute to see if any of these are yours. Items unclaimed by* ***Monday 26th October*** *will be found another good home. Thank you.*

St Elizabeth's News

If anyone needs a priest or adding to the sick list *– please contact the parish office Wednesdays 10-12.30 or phone Bernie 07525805240 otherwise.*
If urgent please contact St Annes Church Ormskirk.

There is a Book of Intentions *at the back of church in which you can write anything you would like the parish to pray for. The children will bring up this book at the beginning of Mass before they go out for Little Church.*

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

Little Church *– this is held during Sunday Mass for children aged 3-11 during the school term. All children would be very welcome.*

Christmas events –
Parish Christmas *meal is booked for Tuesday 1st December at Master McGraths 6.30 for 7pm. There is a list at the back of church to add your name if you would like to go – so I have an idea of numbers. Thanks*

Instead of sending Christmas cards *please consider buying and sending a piece of carved olive wood from Bethlehem – available at the end of October. The monies collected will be sent over to the Holy Land in time for Christmas/New Year.*

Fr Joseph – Farewell to Fr Joe
Sunday 25th – there will be a shared table and farewell for Fr Joseph at St Annes Pastoral Centre. Everyone is welcome.
We are going to really miss Fr Joe and hope that he settles in quickly and is happy in his new parish of St Mary's Church Chorley. Thank you to Fr for all his kindness, humility and prayers he has shown here at St Elizabeths. We will truly miss you.

Father Joseph's Leaving Celebration

We shall be holding a leaving celebration for Father Joseph next Sunday, 25th October, after Mass here at St Anne's Pastoral Centre.

Everyone is warmly welcome to come along and join us as we celebrate and wish Father Joseph well. Please bring along your own food and drinks to share and enjoy. We look forward to seeing you there and celebrating together.

Congratulations to parishioner Mike Devlin
Surrogate Grandparent of the Year

Last July, Mike joined the nationwide *Adopt a Grandparent* scheme, where he was paired with a gentleman who lives in Surrey. They enjoy an hour of conversation every Wednesday, sharing interesting and stimulating discussions.

On 5th October, Mike travelled to London to receive the award of **Surrogate Grandparent of the Year**, where he gave an entertaining speech of thanks. He was also invited to deliver the same speech at the Titanic Hotel in Liverpool.

Mike sends his love and best wishes to all the parishioners of St Anne's, keeping in touch with parish life by regular visits from Dermot our eucharistic minister and reading our weekly bulletin. Mike is still residing at The Spinney Care Home in Upholland.

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

Streamers Wanted at St Anne's Church!

Every wondered what that camera up on the Organ Balcony is for?

For the last several years our team of live streamers have streamed Sunday, Easter, and Christmas Masses for those of our Parish (and further afield) who can not make it to Mass in person. However our numbers are thin and to keep this valuable service going we need a few extra hands to add to our monthly rota to ensure the streams can continue.

If you are over 18, comfortable with technology, able to climb a spiral staircase, and interested in joining our team (not to mention getting to see mass from the best view in the church!), or simply have any questions, please feel free to reach out after Sunday Mass or contact me at:

Mike Clayton-Brown
Email: brownmic@intothevortex.co.uk
Phone: 07912356950

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. ***Bridget Mawtus***

HERITAGE TALKS

Autumn 2026
The popular Ormskirk Heritage Talks start a new season on Tuesday 13th October 2026 in St. Anne's Pastoral Centre Hall. Starting at 1.30pm, the talks are free of charge and people from all over the area are very welcome to attend.
Each talk will last approximately 1 hour and will take place on the second Tuesday of the month.

THE PROGRAMME

· **Tuesday 10th November**
The Fascinating History of the Overhead Railway, Gavin Hunter

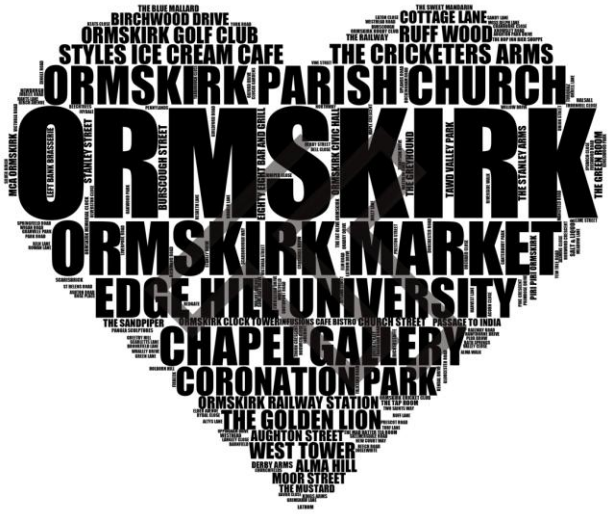
· **Tuesday 8th December**
What the Dickens (a Taste of Ormskirk Christmas), Dot Broady Hawkes

All talks commence at 1.30pm.
Doors open at 1.00pm when tea and coffee is served.

Talks and refreshments are free of charge and donations are welcome which are used towards funding further talks.

These talks are arranged by ORMSKIRK COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP which is a voluntary organisation which relies on fundraising from local charities and organisations.

Irene Slack



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.
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