The Parishes of

St. Anne, Ormskirk &
St. Elizabeth, Scarisbrick

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PRAY AS YOU GO LINK https://pray-as-you-go.org
Bulletin Deadline: Wednesday

CAFOD
Just one world

Please could you return your Cafod envelope next weekend.

4th October 2026

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Readings: L1 594: Is 5; Ps 80; Php 4; Mt 21.

St Elizabeth's Mass Times

Sun	**4**	9.00am	***Jack, Josie, Elaine & Derrick Prescott***
Wed	**7**	9.30am	*Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary* ***Raymond Lydiate, lately dead***
Sun	**11**	9.00am	***Mary & Thomas Dobson*** • *Retiring Collection: CAFOD* *Baptism: Nancy Violet Sharp*

St Anne's Mass Times

Sat	**3**	4.00pm 5.00pm	*Reconciliation & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament* ***John Francis Madden*** *(Vigil Mass)*
Sun	**4**	 10.30am **3.00pm**	 ***Cheryl Powell*** *(streamed)* *Followed by Baptisms: Tyler & Brody Forshaw* *Blessing of Animals Service on the Bowling Green*
Mon	**5**	 9.30am	*Special Harvest Mass, St Anne's Primary School will join us* ***David Barton, 4th Anniv*** • *St Anne's Players Performance: Pastoral Centre,1pm* • *SVP in Pastoral Centre at 8.00pm*
Tue	**6**	**9.00am**	***Margaret & Sam Heffernan*** *(NB Earlier Mass time)* • *Prayer Group in Pastoral Centre Lounge at 10.30am* • *Talk by Fr Philip Inch in Pastoral Centre at 7.00pm please see bulletin for details*
Wed	**7**	**11.00am**	***Requiem Mass: Albert John Jeffers***
Thu	**8**	9.15am 9.30am **11.00am**	*Morning Prayer* ***Nicholas Kinsella*** ***Funeral Service: Robert John Oliver***
Fri	**9**	**9.30am**	***Requiem Mass: Olive Low*** *(streamed)*
Sat	**10**	 4.00pm 5.00pm	• *Adoremus in Metropolitan Cathedral from 9.00am until 5.00pm, more details in bulletin, all welcome* *Reconciliation & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament* ***Stephanie Blackman, 2nd Anniv*** *The young people of our parish will join us for the vigil Mass* • *Retiring collection: CAFOD*
Sun	**11**	10.30am	***Maureen & Gerry Long*** *(streamed)* • *Retiring Collection: CAFOD* *Baptism after Mass: Eleanor Jones*

Creation Time Sundays 6th September to 4th October.

A thought from Pope Francis for the Season of Creation Sept 27th

'Happiness means knowing how to limit some needs which only diminish us.'

Laudato Si 223

Dear Parishioners & Friends

In the Catholic Church, devotion to Our Lady and the Saints holds a special place in our hearts. Pilgrims and devotees still flock in their thousands to the shrines of Mary, our Mother. It is a moving sight to see people going in groups to these sacred places which continue to stand as beacons of hope and faith. Indeed, our hearts are stirred and our minds are lifted to pray the Rosary.

History itself bears witness to the power of the Rosary in times of crisis. On 7th October 1571, Europe was saved at Lepanto through the power of the Rosary. At Fatima, Our Lady pleaded with us: "Pray the Rosary every day to obtain peace for the world." The world has not become any better; even today we face grave threats to peace through violence and wars. But as Christians, we need not lose heart, for we hold in our hands a powerful weapon — the Holy Rosary.

The Rosary is truly the Gospel in our hands. Its 20 Mysteries sum up the whole life of Jesus: Joyful—His Birth, Luminous—His public ministry, Sorrowful—His Cross, and Glorious—His Resurrection and Heaven. When prayed slowly and meditatively, its fruits can be deeply felt. It brings peace to families, it is a mighty weapon against evil, and above all, we never pray alone—Mary prays with us.

A whole host of saints have tasted and seen the fruit of this daily prayer, and their words can spur us on: St. Padre Pio said, "The Rosary is the weapon for these times." St. Bernadette said, "Let the Rosary be always in your hands. It is a chain that links heaven and earth." St. Louis de Montfort declared, "Never will anyone who says his Rosary every day be led astray. I would sign this with my blood." He also promised, "If you say the Rosary faithfully until death, you shall receive a never-fading crown of glory." Pope St. Pius X said, "The Rosary is the most beautiful prayer and richest in graces," while St. John Paul II called it, "my favourite prayer. To recite it is to contemplate with Mary the face of Christ." Pope Francis adds simply, "The Rosary is a prayer from my heart."

This month of October is a gentle reminder to take up once more this beautiful Christian practice: one Rosary a day — just 20 minutes with Jesus through Mary. Let us at least carry a Rosary in our pocket or handbag. Let us pray it for peace in our society and in our world, for our families, for our sick brothers and sisters, for those living with dementia, the housebound, those in hospital, those who are physically and mentally challenged, and for our whole family of parishes.

"If you say the Rosary faithfully until death, I do assure you that, in spite of the gravity of your sins, you shall receive a never-fading crown of glory." St. Louis de Montfort

Our Lady of the Rosary, pray for us.

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, 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: *Andrew Colwell, Barbara Dobson, Dennis McKiernan, Mike Pendergast, Anne Corrin, Michael Mullan, James Hardacre, David Mullan.*

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

St Anne's News:

Please keep in your prayers *Andrew Colwell, our church organist who is recovering from a recent heart attack. We also ask you to keep his wife Hilary in your prayers who is supporting him during his recovery.*

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.*

Shop: *2027 Diaries £4 now on sale and cards etc. will be on display early November, but if needed earlier e.g. to post overseas ask Pat after 10.30 Sunday mass or leave a note in shop with your details & request. Not too late to order cribs or more expensive items, catalogue available in shop.*

St Elizabeth's News

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

Christmas events:
Parish Christmas meal at Master McGraths – ***Tuesday 1st December*** *– please keep the date in your diary. If you would like to join us with this lovely community event please add your name to the list at the back of church*

Instead of sending Christmas cards *at Christmas please consider buying and sending a crafted piece of olive wood from Bethlehem that will be displayed at the back of church in October. The moneys will be sent to the Holy Land to help in time for Christmas/New Year – more details later.*

The choir *had a wonderful evening at St Maries Church Southport on Friday 25th September supporting Queenscourt Hospice accompanied with a very talented duo on the harp and the hammered dulcimer alongside our very own Kath. Thank you to all our parishioners/friends who came and showed their support for this very worthwhile charity who are in desperate need for more financial help.*

St Anne's Players (SAPS)
For one performance only the players present
'Dying to be a Star'

Tomorrow, Monday 5th October 1p.m. in St Anne's Parish Centre.

Another murder to be solved by the famous Inspector Clueless (in a different guise). Written in 2019 but due to covid then the sad loss of several key members was never performed then the group dissolved. Original members together with friends will read the play, then the audience will be able to question them and guess the murderer…..

Pat Harwood

Adoremus 2026
Metropolitan Cathedral

Saturday 10th October
From 9.00am to 5.00pm
Theme: "We Are Eucharist"
Activities: Eucharistic Adoration & Reconciliation all day, Holy Mass, workshops, and a shared time of prayer
Everyone welcome

Becoming a Synodal Parish

As all of us are becoming increasingly aware we live in a changing world. Often change is out of our control and it presents challenges in our daily lives as Catholics in knowing how to respond.

Ive been thinking for some time as to how we might begin to address the challenges and embrace the opportunities that change brings to our Community in St Anne's and St Elizabeths.

I've invited Fr Philip Inch to come along and speak about " Becoming A Synodal Parish". Fr Inch leads the Archdiocese as Episcopal Vicar for Pastoral Organisation and Synod Implementation. He is also Parish Priest of The Holy Rosary in Aintree.

I'd like to have as many parishioners as possible come along to **St Anne's Pastoral Centre on the 6th of October, at 7pm** and hear more about what this can offer us.

In essence in undertaking this next step as a Parish we will be seeking to:

Involve all of you more in the decision making and policy of St Anne's
Be more active in listening to you all as Parishioners- providing opportunities for all to contribute.
Recognising the increasing diversity of our parish community and embracing the opportunity this brings
Reaching out to all Catholics and others who might wish to join us, especially those who may have lost their Faith.

I look forward to seeing you there.

Godric OSB

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

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 13th October**
The History of Town End, Ormskirk, Peter Gateley

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

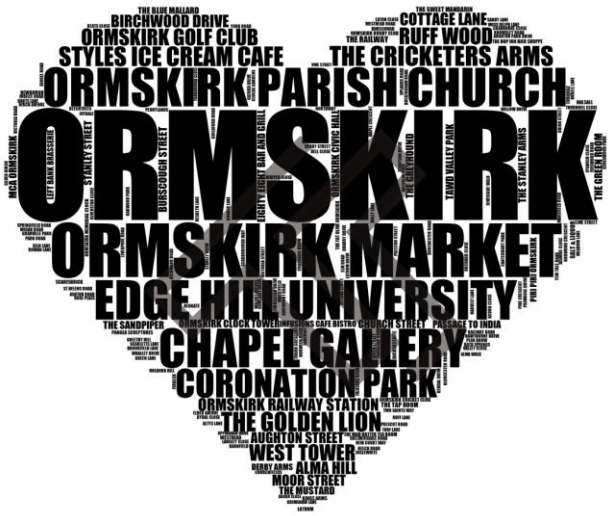
· **Tuesday 8th December**
What the Dickens (a Taste of Ormskirk Christmas), Dot Broady Hawkes

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 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. ***Bridget Mawtus***