



Parish of St Anne and St Joseph

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22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

30th August 2026



Monday 31st August

(St Aidan & Saints of Lindisfarne)

9:00am Holy Mass at St Anne's

Tuesday 1st September (Weekday)

9:30am Holy Mass at St Joseph's

Wednesday 2nd September (Weekday)

NO Holy Masses Today

Thursday 3rd September

(St Gregory The Great)

9:00am Holy Mass at St Anne's

Friday 4th September (St Cuthbert)

9:30am Holy Mass at St Joseph's

Saturday 5th September

(St Teresa of Calcutta)

11:00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament,
and Confessions

12:00 Noon Holy Mass at St Anne's

5:30pm Vigil Mass at St Anne's

Sunday 6th September

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am Sunday Mass at St Joseph's

11:00am Sunday Mass at St Anne's

READERS' ROTA

In St Anne's

Saturday 5th September 5:30pm

Marie Roberts & Anne Anderson

Sunday 6th September 11:00am

Tony Yates

In St Joseph's

Sunday 6th September 9:00am

Anne-Marie Parker

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Sick: Helen Hyndman, Joan Gallagher, Margaret Coyne, Stephanie Reid, Davy Lightbody, Sheila Young, Martin Moxham, Sheila Winterbottom, Theo Ralph, Peter Crossley, Fr J P Coulon, Joan Duckworth, Maureen Grady, Adrian Melling, Sr Mary Colette, Tommy McMullan, Janet Flood, Shirley Higginson, Annette McGuinness, Michael Cronin, Audrey Hayes, Benjamin Franklin, Assunta Christiano; Kathleen McGuinness

Lately Dead: Father Valentine Farrell

Anniversaries: Father Colin Wright

Confessions in St Anne's

Saturdays: 11:00am - 11:45am
4:45pm - 5:15pm

NO CONFESSIONS AT ST JOSEPH'S FOR THE TIME BEING

NO CASH? NO PROBLEM!



You can make donations to the parish using our new card machine in St Anne's located near the collection baskets. There is also an option to Gift Aid your donation. Or, you can make donations to the parish by scanning this QR Code on your mobile phone and it will direct you to a website where you can donate money



RED MISSION BOXES

If you have a Red Mission Box then please feel free to bring it to church at anytime for emptying. The money will be counted by the counting team and then banked. If you are unable to bring it to church please have a word with Fr Francis. **If you have recently handed in your box for emptying** have a word with Fr Francis so that you can have it back to be filled again.

Thank you for your support of the Missions.



ST ANNE'S LADIES

Our next meeting will be **Monday, 7th September**. We will be going to Café Bistro. Meet on St Anne's carpark at 12:30noon for lunch at 1:00pm.

ST JOSEPH'S LADIES

St Joseph's ladies meet every Wednesday, apart from the 1st Wednesday of the month, in the church hall at 1:00pm for chat, games, quizzes, tea/coffee, cake, occasional meals out



and good company.

All welcome!



MASS ON THURSDAYS

Due to my BSL classes starting this week, Mass at St Anne's will be celebrated at 9:00am instead of 6:30pm

**THIS WILL BEGIN FROM THIS
THURSDAY, 3rd SEPTEMBER.**

My apologies for any inconvenience

IN IT TO WIN IT!!!

Week 10

Saturday No 3 Eileen Persechino

Wednesday No 52 Rollover

It is time once again to collect church lottery money. Please either post your lottery money through the presbytery door or, leave in the collection basket at the back of church. Please ensure that you place your money in an envelope with your name written on.





ST MARY'S

RC CHURCH

OSWALDTWISTLE

*Parish Feast of
The Nativity of the
Blessed Virgin Mary*

TUESDAY 8TH SEPTEMBER 2026



12.00 noon -
Eucharistic Adoration
and the Sacrament of Confession



1.00pm -
Solemn Mass for the Feast of the
Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary



7.00pm -
Evening Healing Service



POLISH MASS



Fr Robert Pytel, the
Chaplain to our
Polish community,

will be celebrating Mass on Sunday, **6th September at 1:00pm**. Please pass on the message to anyone you know who might be interested.

A MESSAGE FROM FR LIVESEY

I wish to thank everyone for their prayers and good wishes for my recovery during the last few weeks. I am recuperating at Nazareth House, Prestwich from my recent fall but will shortly be moving to the Little Sisters of the Poor where I will remain as a fully retired priest. I have been very happy at St Joseph's and appreciate all the support and kindness to me. Please remember me in your prayers as I remember you in mine. God bless you all. Fr Livesey.

On a personal note I would like to extend my thanks to Fr Livesey for his support and help to me in the time we have worked together in the parish. He has been on hand not just to celebrate Mass but also as a listening ear and a voice of wisdom to this younger priest. I will miss having him around. God bless, dear Father.

FRIENDSHIP CLUB



The next meeting of the Friendship Club will be on **Wednesday, 2nd September**. We will be having a meal at The Bedford Hotel in Lytham St Anne's, followed by entertainment. The coach will leave St Anne's Church at 11:15am. Please meet outside St Anne's Church at 10:45am. It will be a great trip!

KNIGHTS OF SAINT COLUMBA



Our next meeting is **Tuesday, 15th September, at 7:30pm** in the Marian Room at St Anne's Church. All men of the parish are warmly invited to attend.



Father's Musings.....

A quick glance at last week's Gospel reveals the interesting development of the story: last week, we heard Peter proclaiming that Jesus was the Messiah, and being given authority as a result. This week, Peter gets it wrong: he is rebuked by the Lord because he does not understand who the Messiah is. The Messiah is the one who will give everything for his people - even his own life. To be a follower of Jesus demands an understanding and acceptance of this fact, and a willingness to take up the cross as Jesus did. Our introduction to this is the prophet Jeremiah - also persecuted for doing and saying what was right. Have a look at the Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time, where this twinning of Jeremiah and prophecy of persecution also appears.

In many ways this week might be classed as the lull before the storm as we enjoy the last week of the summer holidays before the children return to school on the 3rd September and the students prepare to start or continue at High School or leave home for the first time and start university. Let's keep them all in our prayers as they set out on these new beginnings.



On Friday of this coming week I will meet with a member of the property committee of the diocese and tradesmen to discuss the location of the new garage that is to be built at St Anne's. Permission has finally been granted for this to go ahead. The new garage will be located somewhere on the 'car park' side of the property. The old garage will be dismantled and taken away. Having served its purpose it has come to the end of its shelf life and was beyond repair. Hopefully the new garage will give adequate storage space for the majority of things contained in the old garage as well as my car.



We offer our prayers and best wishes to Fr Robert Pytel, chaplain to the Polish Community that meets at St Anne's who celebrated his birthday in the week gone by. Ad multos annos and sto lat!



I visited Fr Livesey on this afternoon and found him in good spirits. He shared with me the news about his decision to fully retire and move into the Little Sisters of the Poor. You are able to read the message that he asked me to put into the newsletter. We wish him health and happiness to fully rest from his labours in the Lord's vineyard these last 60 years.



Now that I have completed the newsletter for this week it's time to say Vespers and contemplate the short walk to the chippy for tea! With my prayer and blessing for the coming week.

Fr Francis