

The
Season
of
Lent



The Parish of St. Anne, Ormskirk

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3 April 2022 **FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

Readings: *Is 43:16-21; Ps 125: 1-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6; Ph 3:8-14; Jn 8:1-11.*

Sat	2	5.00pm	Holy Souls (Vigil Mass)
Sun	3	10.30am	Patrick Farrell (streamed Mass) <i>Please join us for coffees in the pastoral centre after Mass</i>
		Noon	<i>Baptisms: Adelaide Atkinson & Noah England</i>
Mon	4	9.30am	Deceased members of the Farrell Family <i>UCM meeting in pastoral centre lounge at 1pm</i> <i>S.V.P. in pastoral centre lounge at 8pm</i>
Tue	5	9.30am	Maureen O'Connor <i>Prayer Group in pastoral centre lounge at 10.30am</i>
Wed	6	9.30am	Andrew Blow
Thu	7	11.00am	Holy Hour
		Noon	Terry McDonnell
Fri	8	9.30am	Fr Stephen Beale <i>No Lent Lunch today</i>
		7.00pm	Stations of the Cross- led by Deacon Peter & The Prayer Group
Sat	9	5.00pm	Marie Dobinson (Vigil Mass)
Sun	10		<i>Palm Sunday</i>
		10.15am	Palm Sunday Procession starts in Pastoral Centre
		10.30am	Dr & Mrs F. Carter (streamed Mass)

Children's Liturgy Good Friday Invitation 15 April

Whilst the adults are in Church the Children's Liturgy team would like to invite children aged 3-11years old to the Pastoral Centre for their own Good Friday Liturgy. Our theme is 'Growing Seeds of Goodness'. Please sign your child(ren) in at the Pastoral Centre before going into Church at 3pm. We look forward to seeing you.



Children's Liturgy Team



Dear Parishioners and Friends

Holy Week begins next Sunday, the day we traditionally know as Palm Sunday. If you are like me, you may find that Lent has galloped by with many of our resolutions unfulfilled. Holy Week, therefore, might be the impetus for us to make the days leading up to Easter Sunday a special time of prayer and even fasting, to help us identify with all those around the world who live in dire conditions.

On that first 'Palm Sunday' Jesus entered Jerusalem in triumph. People were full of good intentions, happy to accept Jesus as their saviour and light. Perhaps, then, we can take the opportunity next Sunday to renew our baptism commitment to follow Jesus more closely through the days of Holy Week.

Maundy Thursday is the day when we recall Jesus celebrating that momentous last supper with his closest followers. It is a wonderful day to celebrate Mass with a renewed appreciation of what it is to 'take and eat and drink' the Lord's body and blood, to be nourished by the very life of God. It is also a reminder of that call to service which Jesus sees as part and parcel of being a follower of his.

My five year old great niece recently told me that Good Friday is called 'Good' because Jesus gave his life for us to show God's love for all of us! That's it! A simple message. At 3pm we recall the events of Calvary in church, but at 1200 midday we gather with our fellow Christians in Ormskirk Town centre to witness to the central fact of our faith, that Christ has died, has risen, and will come again.

The Easter Vigil, which we celebrate this year at the earlier time of 8pm, is the highlight of the liturgical year. Please join us, if you can, for the lighting of the fire, the solemn entry of the new paschal candle into church, and the celebration of light and the Word of God, the blessing of water and our Easter Celebration of the Eucharist. Easter Sunday Mass is at 1030 ... and so we continue with our Easter Celebrations.

Holy Week takes us from darkness to light. We are people of light!

Godric OSB

Anniversaries (Last 10 yrs up to Sat 9 April 2022)

Mary Maureen Reid, Joan Draper, Ronald Joseph Wright, Kathleen Kelly, Veronica Ahern, Kathleen Mary Attwood, Catherine Hemmings, William Laffey.

Please pray for the sick in our parish:

Anne Ashcroft, Jane Ashton-Campbell, Teresa Blaney, Derek Campbell, Nicola Carroll, Eileen Culpin, Jean Daunt, Agnes Dawes, Mike Devlin, Maria Gibbons, George Grimes, Stephen Hankin-Hallsworth, Fr Anthony Hayne, Jim Holland, Sue Jacobs, Margaret Johnston, Sheila Lavin, Hughie McGinley, Pat Pope, Stella Potter, Dougie Ross, Gregory Rutherford, Mark Sellek, Irena Small, Frances Smith, Maureen Taylor, Per Tinberg, Fr Gerry Tuite, Marcella Varey, Tony Walsh, David Whittaker.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Sue Tully, Elsie Peacock & Peter Turner who died recently.

St Anne's News

R.C.I.A. 2022: A very warm welcome to Joan Balenski, Jackie Bennett, Jon Cox and Joanne Milnes, Zoe McGurnaghan, Conor O'Hare and Michelle Pinnington, who were received into Full Communion with the Catholic Church at a special Mass on 26 March.

UCM Bring & Buy Sale tomorrow at 1pm till 3pm in pastoral centre hall. Proceeds going to the Ukraine Refugee Fund. Maximum of 3/4 items per member please.

Churches Together: Next meeting is tomorrow at 7.30pm in New Church House. This will be attended by two members of St Anne's PPC.

Message from Bridget Mawtus: I am looking for volunteers between the ages of 4 and a half and 65 to help with a tool that will support children who are dyslexic in schools, it would be better if you did not have a diagnosis of dyslexia. Please contact Bridget for further information. mawtusbl@yahoo.co.uk. Thank you

SHOP - Easter cards and a good display of First Communion gifts & cards. General stock includes greetings & Mass cards, candles, prayer cards, rosaries, baptismal gifts, statues, medals, crosses & books. Beautiful 10" candles made from recycled blessed beeswax have been given to me which will be sold for a suggested donation of £5.

Pat Harwood

Thank you from CAFOD: Thank you so much for your support of CAFOD's Lent Family Fast Day, the Walk Against Hunger and the Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal. Your support means we can respond in crises such as Ukraine where our Caritas aid workers and volunteers could quickly help families fleeing conflict. It also means we're there in the long-term and can continue to respond to crises around the world, including in Afghanistan, Syria, Ethiopia, and South Sudan. We work alongside communities as they rebuild their lives once the conflict is over, as in Sierra Leone. For lots more detail on how your donations are being used, please go to the CAFOD website cafod.org.uk **Siobhan Farnell** Community Participation Coordinator – CAFOD

Church Spring Clean
Holy Saturday 16 April 10am - 11.00am

We are asking the cleaning teams and any volunteers to do a church spring clean on
Easter Saturday 16th April between 10-11am

*New volunteers are welcome to join the cleaning team and can contact
Catherine McGair for details on mobile 07967 981481*

Keeping Safe in Church – Face Coverings

Legal restrictions relating to Covid safety have been removed by the government. However, the continued advice from both government sources and from church authorities is that, as the Covid virus is still with us, wearing face coverings reduces the risk of infection both to ourselves and to others.

In view of this advice, everyone attending services in church is encouraged to continue to wear face coverings. It is also recommended staying at home if you have Covid symptoms. Thank you for your continued co-operation.

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE

A few people have shown an interest in going to the Holy Land this year but May seems to be too short notice so I shall look at the possibility of going in September or October instead. Please let Colette in the parish office know if you are interested on 01695 572168 or 077468 55340 and then I will start to make arrangements.

Godric OSB

Animate Youth

There are still places available for anyone between the ages of 18 and 25 to join the St Bernadette Team in Lourdes. The St Bernadette Team are a small group of young people that offer care to the assisted pilgrims taken to Lourdes

For more information, please ring Fr Simon Gore's office 01744 740461

Matthew Wright has sent thanks for all the generous support for the refugees and asylum seekers he is helping in Skelmersdale. He has sent some new suggestions for items that are needed and much appreciated.

- Tinned fish...Cooking oil...Coffee...
- Long-life milk...Sugar...Fruit and nut mix
- Toothpaste...Toothbrush...Shower gel...Deodorant...
- Gillette blue II type razors...Shampoo



DEBT ADVICE: For those who are struggling to pay bills, advice is available from West Lancs Debt Advice Centre. (more information at <https://www.wlda.org.uk/>)

Email: debtadvice@wlda.org.uk (This is our preferred method of contact)

Or

Phone: 07731 482120

(Note: This is an answer phone and will receive text messages – but these will not be picked up until the next debt advice session)



The Queen's Platinum Jubilee 2022

37th Ormskirk (St. Anne's) Scout Group are celebrating the Platinum Jubilee of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, by hosting a

Jubilee Big Lunch

On Sunday 5th June in St. Anne's Pastoral Centre

12 noon until 2 p.m.

Parishioners of St Anne's welcome to attend

There will be competitions for adults and children – Best Crown, Best Decorated Table, Best Jubilee Cake, Raffle, Quiz, Spot Prizes.

This is a 'bring your own food and drink' event

Entry will be by ticket only – tickets are free and will be allocated strictly on a first come first served basis. The Parish Centre has a safety limit that we have to adhere to.

Once we have filled all of the tables, we will start a waiting list, however there will be a donation bucket for charity,

To request a ticket, please email Annegilham@gmail.com with the following details

Lead name of booking

Contact Tel Number

Number of adults

Number of children and ages

Tables will be between 8 – 10, and allocated to names. If you want to sit with another party, please state this in the email.

Small groups or single partygoers will be sharing a table with others.





Our Fund-Raising Project throughout Lent



At the back of church is more information about how funds raised could help patients at the end of life and also help provide one good meal a day for the world's poorest school children. Donations can be put into the box at the back of church labelled "Lenten Project" or in an envelope marked "Lenten Project" and put through the Priory letter box.



Whatever is raised by Easter will be divided between the 2 charities.

THERE IS NO LENT LUNCH ON FRIDAY 8th APRIL

Stations of the Cross at 7pm in St Anne's Church Friday 8th April.

The Stations. Through the Eyes of Our Lady.

For anyone unable to attend the Friday Stations of the Cross, a video of the Stations "Through the Eyes of Our Lady" posted last March by Deacon Peter, is still available to follow on the parish Facebook page.

Throughout Lent our young people from St Bede's, St Anne's and the Children's Liturgy will create a Lenten Gallery Garden alongside the church.

Anyone may present an image - picture, drawing, photograph, quotation, poem... - which has been inspiring and comforting and would help others in these unsettled times. If this image helps create a sense of calm and peace, it may well inspire others.

On-line Resources: for those who access the internet there are many sources of Lenten Retreats, prayer and reflections such as:

www.onlineprayer.net praying with the Jesuits

www.wednesdayword.org reflecting on the Sunday Gospels.

www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/pastoral-development

Lenten Mondays, 7pm, "Belong and Believe". The Zoom link is on the above website.

Our Common Home

This is a space on the bulletin for everyone to share their ideas and tips about practical things we can do to respond to Pope Francis's call to hear the Cry of the Earth and the Cry of the Poor.

Do you have a good suggestion of something we can do to help with the climate crisis?

Share it with everyone by e-mailing Colette

paxorm@btconnect.com



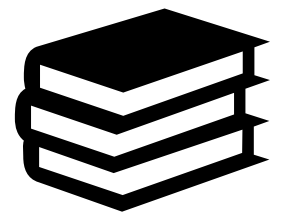
St Anne's Plastic Free Cutlery



We are all doing our best to reduce single use plastic. In the Pastoral Centre we now have a supply of cutlery, so that we can avoid plastic. Ironically, our cutlery is stored in plastic drawers (see picture above) but these are robust and reused, so should last a long time. They are tucked under the worktop by the sink, so look there if you need cutlery. Donations, especially teaspoons, are always welcome too. Contact the Parish Office if you have any. **THANK YOU!**

Waste – How can we reduce it?

Waste is a waste – of money and time – ours and those who produced whatever we are wasting. It is also an environmental disaster as so much ends up in landfill and the materials used to make it are lost. Greenpeace have publicised how Amazon sends over 130,000 items to landfill every week.



* One way we can all help look after the beautiful world God has given us is to use everything as much as we can and pass on to others when we no longer need it.

To help us do this, we now have bookcases, kindly donated by Caroline Grieco, Deacon Des and Joan Bill in the Pastoral Centre. These are for everyone to leave books they have enjoyed or found useful for others to read. Drop them off, take another and return once you have finished so they are used as much as possible.

*<https://www.greenpeace.org.uk/news/stop-amazon-throwing-away-millions-unused-products/>

Susan O'Halloran

CHILDREN'S LITURGY



What is Jesus like?

Choose which words tell us what Jesus was like. Draw a ring round each of them.

kind
mean
selfish
caring
loving
naughty
good
helpful
patient

The religious leaders could only see the woman's faults. They had caught her doing something wrong and wanted to punish her. Jesus said that they could throw stones at the woman if they had done nothing wrong themselves. No one could throw any stones!

Forgive

How many times can you find the word "stone" in the word square?

S	T	O	N	E	B
T	S	T	O	N	E
O	T	O	W	O	N
N	O	Z	Q	T	O
E	N	O	T	S	T
X	E	N	O	T	S

Spot the difference

How many differences can you see in her face before and after Jesus forgave her.

The woman must have been frightened, but happy when Jesus forgave her.

A PRAYER TO SAY

Thank you, Jesus, for forgiving me for anything I have ever done that is wrong. Help me to forgive other people too. I know I'm not perfect, so help me to remember that I shouldn't expect other people to be perfect either! Amen.

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True or false?

Jesus forgives people. **TRUE** or **FALSE**

Jesus wants us to forgive. **TRUE** or **FALSE**

Lots of people threw stones at the woman. **TRUE** or **FALSE**

Answers: True, false, true, 8 times, 5 differences: hair, frown lines, mouth, tears, eyes.