

The Parishes of
**St. Anne, Ormskirk &
 St. Elizabeth, Scarisbrick**

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Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

16th November 2025

Readings: Mal 4:1-2a; Psalm 98; 2 Th 3; Lk 21: 5-19.

St Elizabeth's Mass Times

Sun	16	9.00am	<i>Bereavement Mass - We will remember our parishioners, family & friends who have died this past year by lighting a candle in their memory</i> All Deceased Parishioners
Wed	19	9.30am	Special Intention (PP)
Sun	23	9.00am	Charlie & Joyce Culshaw <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Retiring Collection: Animate Youth

St Anne's Mass Times

Sat	15	4.00pm 5.00pm	<i>Reconciliation & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i> All Parishioners (Vigil Mass)
Sun	16	10.30am	John Moore <i>Followed in church by the First Sessions of First Holy Communion Preparation for children not attending St. Anne's Primary School</i>
Mon	17	9.15am 9.30am	<i>Morning Prayer</i> Max & Reubin Meadows <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UCM in Pastoral Centre at 1.00pm • PPC in Pastoral Centre at 7.00pm
Tue	18	9.00am	<i>Please note earlier Mass time</i> Mary Ormsby <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prayer Group in Pastoral Centre at 10.30am
Wed	19	1.30pm	Requiem Mass: Alan Edward Williams
Thu	20	9.15am	<i>No Morning Prayer, earlier Mass time</i> Alan Williams (Yr 9 from St Bede's will join us)
Fri	21	9.30am	<i>No Morning Prayer</i> Private Intention (Yr 6 St. Anne's Primary will join us)
Sat	22	11.00am 4.00pm 5.00pm	Fr Joseph's 25th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood <i>Followed by a shared-table celebration in the Pastoral Centre</i> <i>Reconciliation & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i> Holy Souls (Vigil Mass) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Retiring Collection: Animate Youth
Sun	23	10.30am Noon	<i>Feast of Christ the King – Youth Sunday</i> All Parishioners - Mass will be led by St Bede's pupils <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Retiring Collection: Animate Youth <i>Baptisms: Evalyn Moy, Olivier & Joseph Wright</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christmas Event in Pastoral Centre from 11.30am until 2.00pm • St Bede's Faith in Action Shared Feast in Pastoral Centre Lounge after Mass

The 2025 Jubilee Year: 'Pilgrims of Hope'

In your house, Lord, I am a passing guest, a pilgrim like all my fathers. Ps 38
 'So many people in our society are poor and vulnerable, with little to hope for in their daily lives. Help us Lord to put our faith into action, even in small ways, so that hope might arise in others even in their dark days.'

S.V.P.

Dear Parishioners and Friends

With so much sadness and negativity in the world around us, sometimes we need a 'boost' to sustain us and make hope a reality in our lives. This is where the words of past saints can often speak to us and 'lift up our hearts'. The following words of St John Henry Newman have certainly renewed my faith and made me realize that the part I have to play in life is not insignificant.

God knows me and calls me by my name.... God has created me to do Him some definite service; He has committed some work to me which He has not committed to another. I have my mission—I never may know it in this life, but I shall be told it in the next.

Somehow, I am necessary for His purposes... I have a part in this great work; I am a link in a chain, a bond of connection between persons. He has not created me for naught. I shall do good, I shall do His work; I shall be an angel of peace, a preacher of truth in my own place, while not intending it, if I do but keep His commandments and serve Him in my calling.

Therefore I will trust Him. Whatever, wherever I am, I can never be thrown away. If I am in sickness, my sickness may serve Him; in perplexity, my perplexity may serve Him; if I am in sorrow, my sorrow may serve Him. My sickness, or perplexity, or sorrow may be necessary causes of some great end, which is quite beyond us. He does nothing in vain; He may prolong my life, He may shorten it; He knows what He is about. He may take away my friends, He may throw me among strangers, He may make me feel desolate, make my spirits sink, hide the future from me— still He knows what He is about.... Let me be Thy blind instrument. I ask not to see—I ask not to know—I ask simply to be used.

from Meditations and Devotions, "Meditations on Christian Doctrine,"
"Hope in God—Creator", March 7, 1848

Godric OSB

St Anne's Anniversaries to 22 Nov 2025 (Last 10 yrs):

Monica Conlin, Jenny Baxter, Sofia de los Angeles Cebro-Corrin, Patrick McManus, Andrew Jones, Margaret Mary O'Brien, Paul Andrew Culshaw.

St Elizabeth's Anniversaries for November (Last 10 yrs):

Marie O'Brien, Anthony Tinsley, Irene Simpson, Joan Latham, Richard Douglas, Catherine Liddle.

Please pray for the sick:

St Anne's: *Sylvia & Jim Burgess, Elizabeth Culshaw, Mike Devlin, Leanne Emmett, Steven Hankin-Hallsworth, Sally Kirkby, Mary Linton, Ann Melia, Maureen O'Connor, Stella O'Keefe, John Orritt, Stella Potter, Sandra Sugden, Maureen Taylor.*

Recently Sick: *Geraldine Crompton & Jennifer Knowles.*

St Elizabeth's: *Terry Turner, Sue Carver, Tess & Eric Mills, Jean Olverson, Joe Ackers, Katie, Derek Murphy, Gerrard Witter.*

St Anne's News:

Church Shop: *Christmas Shop opens Saturday 8th November, good selection of cards, nativities, diaries etc., Also, a stall at the Christmas Sharing & Preparing Event on 23rd Nov in the PC.*

Pat Harwood

The parish office email is now paxorm@rcaol.org.uk

Our ceramic pot next to the baptismal font has cracked so we are no longer able to store holy water in it. Does anyone have a large, unused ceramic pot that we could use? Please contact the parish office if you may have something suitable. Thank you.

UCM diary till Christmas break:

Nov 17th "Who are you?" (not too late to bring your photo).

Nov 24th Charity Bingo for Queenscourt Hospice

Dec 1st David Hearn returns to speak about Christmas Traditions

Dec 8th Christmas Lunch at O'Briens

Dec 15th Christmas Party in the Hall.

All ladies are very welcome to come along to any meeting with no obligation to join.

The parish office is closed for a week from Monday 24th November.

St Elizabeth's News

Christmas Raffle: Tickets now on sale at the back of church. If anyone would like to donate a prize for the raffle, please see Christine.

Silver Jubilee Cards- These are available on the table at the back of church. Please put the money in the CTS box in the porch. Thank you

Save the Date - December 3rd- Parish Christmas Meal. Please put your names on the list at the back of Church. Menus now available at the back of church, 2 courses £25, 3 courses £30. Please preorder your choices on the list and payment needed by 30th November, cheques payable to St Elizabeth's. cash in an envelope with your name clearly marked and amount. BACS payments to St Elizabeth's Church sort code 40.35.29 account number 61307185. Please let Bernie know you have paid.

Sacramental Programme: If there are any children in Years 3 upwards, who do not attend a Catholic school and would like to join the programme for receiving First Reconciliation & Holy Communion in 2026 please see Bernie.

The parish office will be closed for week beginning 17th November.

Save the Date- Christmas Concert

Ormskirk Community Choir will be joining forces with the U3A Ukelele group to bring you a selection of Festive Favourites on **Friday the 12th December at 7:30pm** in St Anne's Parish Centre. Following the success of our Summer Concert, this event will need tickets! The events have proven popular in the past, and we suggest that you get yours early to avoid disappointment!

Tickets are available at the back of Church on Sunday Masses or by contacting Bridget on 07828 655569.

Tickets are £5 each. Festive refreshments will be served for a small donation and there will also be a raffle. All proceeds to the Parish.

Bridget Mawtus

Advent talks - advanced notice.

St Anne Parish Council are planning a series of talks during Advent. The first of the talks is in step with the most recent social encyclical from Pope Leo XIV, *Dilexi te* ('I have loved you'). In this he stresses how faith and action are inseparable. His central message is recognizing Christ in the poor and suffering and the common dignity of all brothers and sisters.

In keeping with Pope Leo's message, we are therefore delighted to welcome our first speaker, Margaret Roche on **Monday 8th December at 7.00 pm in St Anne's Parish Centre**. Margaret is co-founder of a charity in Knowsley called SHAre Knowley (<https://shareknowsley.org.uk>). It is a small grassroots charity that wants to help improve the lives of those living in our community who have left their homes and everything they know, to escape the horrors of persecution, violence, war and oppression. The word SHARe is an acronym for Supporting and Helping Asylum seekers and Refugees. Margaret will talk about the role she played in starting the charity, the challenges she faced and overcame and the support they provide to the refugees and those seeking a safe haven. Please put this date in your diary. Details of further talks will follow as we approach Advent.

Paul Spencer St Annes PPC

Dear Friends

We are the Faith in Action group from St Bede's. We would like to invite you to our Youth led Mass celebrating the Feast of Christ The King on Sunday **23rd November 10.30am**. This is also Youth Sunday.

Following the celebration of Mass, we would love you to join us in the Parish Centre lounge for 'A Feast Fit for A King.' Bring along your favourite food and celebrate Youth Sunday with us, while feasting on your favourite snacks (Calories never count on a Sunday!)

We look forward to seeing you for what we hope will be a joyful occasion.
With warmest wishes,

The pupils of St Bede's Faith in Action Group





Christmas One off Food Bank Collection – 22nd and 23rd November 2025

The volunteers at Ormskirk Food Bank begin preparing Christmas hampers for people in need during Advent.

To help their work, we'll be holding a one-off collection of food for Christmas next weekend, 22nd and 23rd November. There will be boxes for donations in the narthex and also in the Pastoral Centre at the Christmas Preparing and Sharing event after Mass on Sunday 23rd.

St Anne's PPC

Advance Notice

Christmas Preparing and Sharing Event



Sunday 23rd November after 10.30 Mass

Craft stalls, demonstrations, Guides' message tree, preloved games free raffle, Christmas decorations and wrapping swap shop. Donations to the roof fund welcome Please bring cash.

**One off Food Bank Collection– Christmassy donations welcome
Repository and uniform hub**

Come to the Pastoral Centre after Mass, have a coffee and look round – everyone is welcome

St Annes PPC Environment Group



“Welcome the Stranger”

Many of you will remember when our parish came together under the leadership of Deacon Mac, to respond to Pope Francis' plea with love and generosity. Believe it or not that was about 8 years ago! In June 2019, we finally welcomed our Syrian family, mum, dad and three daughters. Since then, their family has grown, and they have five daughters! They have all settled here incredibly well and achieved so much. Mum and dad passed their driving tests and dad works part time in Skelmersdale. The whole family are so grateful for the new life we gave them. However, in the light of the potential changes to 'indefinite leave to remain' much discussed in the media, they are anxious to apply for British citizenship in order to secure their future in this country.

It is costly - almost £4,000 for both adults! (Children are free).

So, we make this appeal on their behalf. Could you give your support once again to help them achieve this final stage of their journey and give them the security they desperately want? We hope to arrange a coffee morning in December to bring the family and parish together to celebrate everything we have achieved.

In the meantime, if anyone feels they can contribute financially towards the cost of their application you can make a donation to the bank
sort code 40 35 29 acc no 81617753 acc name “Douai Abbey Parishes Trust” which is held by the parish.

A volunteer will coordinate supporting the family with your generous donation.

Many thanks, Ruth Jones

Ormskirk Heritage talk about Ormskirk Market

Presented by Dot Broady-Hawkes

St Anne's Pastoral Centre
Tuesday 2nd December at 1.30pm.

Drinks will be served from 1.00pm

St. Mary's BRAND-NEW EARLY YEARS FACILITY

Exciting News for Our Community! 🎉

St Mary's are thrilled to announce the opening of their brand-new Early Years facility, launching just after the October half term break!

This fully funded initiative—generously supported by the archdiocese— is a testament to our shared commitment to nurturing young minds. Led by experienced and passionate teachers, the facility offers exceptional indoor and outdoor learning environments designed to spark curiosity, creativity, and confidence in every child.

Now Enrolling: Teacher-Led Nursery Places!

This offers funded nursery places for children starting from their third birthday. The nursery is teacher-led, ensuring high-quality early education in a nurturing and engaging environment. With a focus on play-based learning and development, children thrive in our purpose-built indoor and outdoor spaces. Whether your child is just turning three or ready for their next adventure, we're here to support every step of the journey.

Places are available now — Please contact the school on 01704 880626 to arrange a tour with Mrs. Preston.