

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

**Today's Retiring  
 Collection:  
 ANIMATE YOUTH**

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This bulletin covers 2 weeks so please be mindful that  
 Mass times may change if a funeral occurs

**Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ,  
 the King of the Universe**

Youth Sunday

23rd November 2025

*Readings: L1 906; 2 Sam:1-3; Ps 122; Col 1:12-20.*

**St Elizabeth's Mass Times**

<b>Sun</b>	<b>23</b>	9.00am	<b>Charlie &amp; Joyce Culshaw</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Retiring Collection: Animate Youth</li> </ul>
<b>Wed</b>	<b>26</b>	9.30am	<b>Holy Souls</b>
<b>Sun</b>	<b>30</b>	9.00am	<b>Bernard Dobson &amp; Sharon Halsall</b>
<b>Wed</b>	<b>3</b>	9.30am	<b>Francis Joseph &amp; Rose Murphy – St Mary's School will join us</b>
<b>Sun</b>	<b>7</b>	9.00am	<b>Andrew Horner</b>

## St Anne's Mass Times

<b>Sat</b>	<b>22</b>	11.00am 4.00pm 5.00pm	<b>Fr Joseph's 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood</b> <i>Followed by a shared-table celebration in the Pastoral Centre</i> <b>Reconciliation &amp; Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</b> <b>Holy Souls (Vigil Mass)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Retiring Collection: Animate Youth</li> </ul>
<b>Sun</b>	<b>23</b>	10.30am  Noon	<b>Feast of Christ the King – Youth Sunday</b> <b>All Parishioners</b> - Mass will be led by St Bede's pupils <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Retiring Collection: Animate Youth (streamed)</li> </ul> <b>Baptisms: Evalyn Moy, Olivier &amp; Joseph Wright</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Christmas Event in Pastoral Centre from 11.30am until 2.00pm</li> <li>St Bede's Faith in Action Shared Feast in Pastoral Centre Lounge after Mass</li> </ul>
<b>Mon</b>	<b>24</b>	9.15am 9.30am	<b>Morning Prayer</b> <b>The Glennon &amp; Hopkins Family</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>UCM in Pastoral Centre at 1.00pm</li> </ul>
<b>Tue</b>	<b>25</b>		<b>No Mass today</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Prayer Group in Pastoral Centre at 10.30am</li> </ul>
<b>Wed</b>	<b>26</b>	9.15am 9.30am	<b>Morning Prayer</b> <b>Alan Pope</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Advent Talk at 6.45pm in P/C Loung –details in bulletin</li> </ul>
<b>Thu</b>	<b>27</b>	  <b>9.15am</b>	<b>No Morning Prayer, earlier Mass time</b> <b>Alan Williams (Yr 10 from St Bede's will join us)</b>
<b>Fri</b>	<b>28</b>	  9.30am	<b>No Morning Prayer</b> <b>Paddy McDermott RIP (Yr 1 St. Anne's Primary will join us)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Scouts Family Prize Bingo in Pastoral Centre</li> </ul>
<b>Sat</b>	<b>29</b>	4.00pm 5.00pm	<b>Reconciliation &amp; Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</b> <b>Ann O'Neill (Vigil Mass)</b>
<b>Sun</b>	<b>30</b>	10.30am	<b>Michael Scanlon (streamed)</b>
<b>Mon</b>	<b>1</b>	9.15am 9.30am	<b>Morning Prayer</b> <b>Alan Williams</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>UCM in Pastoral Centre at 1.00pm</li> <li>SVP in Pastoral Centre at 8.00pm</li> </ul>
<b>Tue</b>	<b>2</b>	9.15am 9.30am	<b>Morning Prayer</b> <b>Mary &amp; Arthur Rutherford</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Prayer Group in Pastoral Centre at 10.30am</li> <li>Heritage Talk in Pastoral Centre at 1.30am</li> </ul>

<b>Wed</b>	<b>3</b>	9.15am 9.30am	<i>Morning Prayer</i> <b>Private Intention</b>
<b>Thu</b>	<b>4</b>	9.15am 9.30am	<i>Morning Prayer</i> <b>Private Intention</b>
<b>Fri</b>	<b>5</b>	9.30am	<i>Advent Mass - Reception Class &amp; Yr 6 will join be joining us</i> <b>John Joseph Coffey</b>
<b>Sat</b>	<b>6</b>	4.00pm 5.00pm	<i>Reconciliation &amp; Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i> <b>All Parishioners</b>
<b>Sun</b>	<b>7</b>	10.30am	<b>Mark Taunton (streamed)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Followed by Session 3 of First Holy Communion Preparation for children not attending St Anne's Primary – in the Pastoral Centre</i></li> </ul>

### **The 2025 Jubilee Year: 'Pilgrims of Hope'**

In your house, Lord, I am a passing guest, a pilgrim like all my fathers. Ps 38

"You were called to one Hope when you were called. One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism. One God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all".  
Following this calling, we go forward as Pilgrims, pilgrims of Hope.

*Deacon Peter.*

## **Ormskirk Heritage talk about Ormskirk Market**

Presented by Dot Broady-Hawkes

St Anne's Pastoral Centre

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December at 1.30pm.**

Drinks will be served from 1.00pm

For those of you who have Red Boxes in your home I'm pleased to confirm that our wonderful team of collectors will be calling during the next few weeks to empty your boxes and give you your 2026 Missio Calendar.

Thankyou to all of those who donate both through the Red Boxes and online- together they make a great contribution to our Missionaries spreading The Word of God to people both in the UK and worldwide.

If you would like a Red Box in your home or want to donate online please do get in touch with me directly.

**Keith Stopforth- 07809 511592**

## **Dear Parishioners and Friends**

This weekend we celebrate the feast of Christ the King and for a number of years the Church, on this Sunday, has particularly remembered our young people. Many years ago, when school chaplaincy was in its infancy, the Association of Catholic Chaplains in Education produced a document entitled: Chaplaincy – The Change and the Challenge. I found it quite inspiring.

Chapter One sets the scene with the following quotation by Vincent Donovan: *In working with young people, do not try to all them back to where they were, and do not call them to where you are, beautiful as that place may seem to you. You must have the courage to go with them to a place neither you nor they have been before.*

These words echo the story of the risen Christ and the two disciples on the road to Emmaus (Lk 24:13-35). Walking away from Jerusalem, the disciples had turned their backs on all that they had experienced in the past few years. They were disillusioned by the promises of Jesus, the 'prophetic' figure who died on a cross in front of them. So downcast were they that they didn't recognize Jesus as he walked alongside them. Jesus listens to them and gently offers an explanation of the events back on Calvary, different from their own interpretation of what they seen and experienced. Jesus opened up the Scriptures to them and explained how His story linked in with their own lives. I imagine the disciples would have asked Jesus questions. Down the line, they all share a meal – but notice that the meal, the sharing, only comes at the end of the day, when the disciples realized there might be something to gain from hearing more.

We all have a role to play in the accompanying of young people. Some of us are directly involved through our daily encounter with the young, but we can all pray that the seeds of Baptism will bear fruit in both the young and the old. Do not upbraid the young. Encourage and welcome them and remember that their experience of life is very different from that of those of us who are more elderly!

Godric OSB

**St Anne's Anniversaries to 6 Dec 2025 (Last 10 yrs):**

*Peter Sanders, David Gibbons, Eileen Hart, Olive Evans, Cyril Ainscough, Rosemarie Campbell, Dennis Sproson, Peter McGee, Michael Hart, Bernard Rice, Eva Byron, Frederick Payne, Elizabeth Rutherford, Annette Graham, Bob Taylor, Gerard Swarbrick, Helen Nolan, Colin Houghton, Tony Toal, Colin Porter, Peter Hickey.*

**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, Richard Sutherland, 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, Wendy.*

## **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 today in Pastoral Centre.*

**Pat Harwood**

**The parish office email is now** [paxorm@rcaol.org.uk](mailto: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 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 next week.**

## St Elizabeth's News

*Dear friends at St Elizabeths, many many thanks for the beautiful painting which you gave me last weekend. The gift was unexpected, I think Bernie should apply for the next season of The Traitors!, but just what I would have chosen for myself. I'd seen the picture earlier in the year and admired from a distance. Thank you once more for everything. Love and prayers Mary*



**Christmas Raffle:** Tickets on sale at the back of church.

**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 30<sup>th</sup> 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.

# Talks during the season of Advent

## **Advent talk 1: Significant People in the Advent Scripture Readings. Fr Anthony Cassidy, CSsR.**

Join us for an Advent talk by **Fr Anthony Cassidy, CSsR, on Wednesday, 26th November with welcoming tea/coffee at 6.45pm until 8.00 pm in the Parish Centre Lounge.** Fr Cassidy, a Scripture scholar and teacher with the Redemptorist Order, will share his reflections on the significant people in the Advent scripture readings, leading to the birth of Jesus Christ. This talk aims to deepen our understanding of Advent and its joyful significance.

## **Advent talk 2: SHAre Knowlsey Margaret Roache, Manager and co-founder.**

The second in our series of 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 8<sup>th</sup> December with welcoming tea/coffee at 6.45 until 8.00 pm in the Parish Centre Lounge.** Margaret is co-founder of a charity in Knowsley called SHAre Knowlsey (<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 both dates in your diary.

*Paul Spencer St Annes PPC*

# St. Anne's Scout Group are having a Family Christmas Prize Bingo on Friday 28th November in the Parish Centre

The Bingo will be fun for all the family, with prizes on every game for children and for adults.

This is a 'bring your own' food and drink event, so bring a snack, a picnic or a three course meal.

The cost will be £8 for adults and will include everything you need for 6 games of Bingo and the Flier game. The cost for children is £2 for six games and a children's flier.

Please contact Anne to reserve your place [annegilham@gmail.com](mailto:annegilham@gmail.com)

or 07803706389

## 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 12<sup>th</sup> 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***

## **Children's Liturgy of the Word**

As we approach Advent we would like to invite you to this Mass and also remind you that Children's Liturgy would warmly welcome your children 3-11yrs old to our Advent Preparation Sessions during Mass on the following Sundays 30th November, 7th and 14th December as we prepare for the birth of Jesus at Christmas.

Thank you

***The Children's Liturgy Team***

## **"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***

## **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.**