

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

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parish running costs



19<sup>th</sup> April 2026

## Third Sunday of Easter

*Readings: L1 389: Acts 2; Ps 16; 1 Pt 16; Lk 24*

### St Elizabeth's Mass Times

<b>Sun</b>	<b>19</b>	9.00am	<b>John, Connie &amp; Mark Houghton</b>
<b>Wed</b>	<b>22</b>	9.30am	<b>Special Intention (JC)</b>
<b>Fri</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>Requiem Mass: Theresa (Tess) Mills</b>
<b>Sun</b>	<b>26</b>	9.00am	<b>Jack, Josie, Elaine &amp; Derrick Prescott</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Retiring Collection: Priests Training Fund</li> </ul> Baptisms after Mass: Connie Mc Cabe, Libby McCabe, Rome Hudson, Luca Hudson.



# *Live Simply*

## ***Dear Parishioners and Friends***

Spring is here and it brings forth a myriad of plants and flowers which captivate the eyes and create pleasant feelings all around. The sun shines to warm us gently and brighten our homes as the day light expands. I am enthralled by chirping of birds in the morning and the glittering blades of grass that are coated with morning dew. The sound of birds and the lushness of nature really add flavour to life. We all welcome spring with gladness and summer with joy. In the light of changing seasons, we also encountered Risen Lord in the Easter Season. Christ blossomed as a never-withering lily in a world of death and darkness. He opened new avenues to the hope of heaven and the joy of life for all who follow Him.

It was springtime in the life of early Christians after their encounter with the Risen Lord in varied situations and also through the teachings of the apostles. They blazed a trail for Christians around the world. In a world split by disunity, divided by disparity, crushed by poverty, and shaken by uncertainty, their lives were a beacon. They showed that resurrection isn't only a future hope, but a present way of being in the world. Their resurrected life was marked by five core Christian values. First of all, what really united them is the 'Shared Bread', (breaking of the bread). Secondly, what really fuelled them is the 'Shared Prayer' (the family that prays together stays together). Thirdly, what really made them the cream of the crop is 'Shared Property' (there was no needy person among them, and none shall want). Fourthly, what made them unique in the eyes of the society is 'Shared Mission' (distributed responsibility - "Many hands make light work." John Heywood). Finally, what really geared them to achieve all these tangible results in their life is having a 'Shared Vision' (they were one in mind and heart). We find these five values clearly reflected in Acts chapters 2 and 4.

Let this insight resonate in our hearts this Easter season as we celebrate and enjoy lovely Springtime.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joseph". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large initial 'J'.

**St Anne's Anniversaries for April 2026 (Last 10 yrs):**

*Mary Forshaw, Mary Reid, Kathleen Kelly, Veronica Ahern, Kathleen Attwood, Catherine Hemmings, William Laffey, Austin Kirwan, Colette McGrath, Josephine Wheat, Josie (Rose) Faulkner, Graham Flynn, Margaret McVey, Irene McKeown, Anthony Keating, John Oxley, Maureen Maesschalk, William Hore, Kit Allan, Michael Gout, June Marshall, Ralph Hunter, Sarah Cliffe, Robert Snellgrove, James West, Frances Morley, Colin Baxter, Neil Gordon, James (Dougie) Rose, Thomas Robinson, Sylvia Croston, Norah Bradburn, Bridget Howard, Brian Starr, Kenneth Sullivan, Clare Walton, John Appleyard.*

**St Elizabeth's Anniversaries for April 2026 (Last 10 yrs):**

*Marie Wright, Robert Burrows, William Ball, Catherine Ball, Neville Hill, Irene Young, Francis Porter, Patricia Mott, Josie Prescott, Jerome Wilson.*

**Please pray for the sick:**

**St Anne's:** *Jean Ball, Sylvia & Jim Burgess, Geraldine Crompton, Elizabeth Culshaw, Mike Devlin, Leanne Emmett, Mike Gilmartin, Steven Hankin-Hallsworth, Mary Linton, Ann Melia, Maureen O'Connor, John Orritt, Stella Potter, Richard Sutherland, Sandra Sugden, Maureen Taylor.*

**St Elizabeth's:** *Terry Turner, Sue Carver, Eric Mills, Jean Olverson, Joe Ackers, Katie, Derek Murphy, Gerrard Witter, Wendy, Anne, Patrick McCabe, Tom Ireland, Robert Wright, Peggy Sweeney.*

***Please pray for the repose of the souls of Tess Mills, Shirley Croft & Margaret Pope who died recently.***

## **St Anne's News:**

***UCM:*** *Meeting 20th April, 1pm speaker David Hearn 50's and 60's.*

***Shop:*** *Gifts and cards for 1st Communion are now on sale. Cash preferred but payment can be made through machine in Narthex.*

***Pastoral Centre Users:*** *Please be mindful that ALL lights must be switched off before leaving the building.*

## St Elizabeth's News

*The Parish office will be closed from Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> April until Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> May. Please contact St Anne's office during this time.*

*Any items concerning St Elizabeth's must go through the Parish office – [stelizabeth.southport@racaol.org.uk](mailto:stelizabeth.southport@racaol.org.uk)*

*If anyone is sick or is admitted to hospital, please contact Bernie in the Parish office in the first instance on 07525805240. If anyone needs a priest and the parish office is closed, please contact St Annes – 01695 572168.*

*If anyone is housebound and would like to receive Holy Communion, please contact the parish office.*

*The course for First Holy Communion & Reconciliation started on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> February. Please pray for the children who are preparing for the Sacraments of Reconciliation & First Holy Communion to be held on 21<sup>st</sup> June 2026.*

*The Holy Father has proclaimed a Jubilee Year of St Francis, so we now have a new display in the window.*

*The Pilgrims of Hope display is now in an opposite side window.*

*If anyone would like to join the Governing body as a parent/grandparent governor or the LEA link governor, please contact the headteacher Mrs J Preston.*

## Men's Prayer Group

Next meeting is on **Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> April** at 19.00 in the back room of the Greyhound Pub.

**All men of both parishes welcome**

Contact Pete on 01851716057 / [Gennsuer20@gmail.com](mailto:Gennsuer20@gmail.com) for details

## Do you have an interest you'd like to share?

St. Anne's PPC would like to invite everyone to help build up our parish community through activities they could share with others. It could be anything – just something that you do and which you think others would enjoy. It doesn't need to be complicated or difficult – just something that you would be able to organise. If you have an idea and could get something going, please let us know through the PPC e-mail address [ppc@stannes-ormskirk.org.uk](mailto:ppc@stannes-ormskirk.org.uk) or leave a note with your contact details in the suggestion box in the narthex. Just tell us something about your idea and how you'd put it into action. All ideas welcome! Thank you!

**St. Anne's PPC**

## Future Proof our Parish

*St Anne's PPC are requesting support in forming a separate working party to examine the future of the parish. From Youth focused work to outreach events and planning, we seek to support a vibrant community that serves its people.*

**How can you help?** *Initially we need ideas, what do you want to see? What are we doing that you don't think is a good idea? We can collect these from a suggestion box at the back of church, or you can email the PPC at [ppc@stannes-ormskirk.org.uk](mailto:ppc@stannes-ormskirk.org.uk).*

**More than an idea?** *The second part will be a meeting to discuss a coherent plan that reflects the values of our community.*

**Practical support?** *If you don't want to commit to a meeting but could offer practical support. Could you run and manage a 200 club? Run a weekly Bingo session? Host a community group? Please get in touch with Bridget if you could spare any time or expertise.*

*This is more than our faith; this is our community. We need to support it to grow so that it can continue to support us.*

*Thank you.*

**Bridget Mawtus on behalf of the PPC**

Hi Everyone,

As you know we have been raising funds for essential repairs to the Church Roof for some time now and as a new member of the PPC I thought it would be a good idea to see how we can boost the funds as individuals and collectively as a Parish.

**I'm now able to confirm details for the first 2 walks:**

**Walk 1:** St Anne's Church to St John the Evangelist, Burscough. 2nd of May. Meet at St Anne's Social Centre Car Park at 9.45 and depart at 10am. We are aiming to be at St John's for 12.30 where we will be met by Father O'Shea.

**Walk 2:** St John the Evangelist Burscough to Our Lady & All Saints, Parbold. 23rd of May. Meet at St John the Evangelist Car Park at 9.45 and depart at 10am. We are aiming to be at Our Lady's & All Saints for 12.00-12.30.

(Walks 3 and 4 will take place in June. Dates TBC)

How can you support/get involved?

You could donate to sponsor the walk online by visiting: [https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/keith-stopforth?utm\\_term=nnYKP4kxq&utm\\_medium=FA&utm\\_source=CL](https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/keith-stopforth?utm_term=nnYKP4kxq&utm_medium=FA&utm_source=CL)

You could join me on the walk and perhaps raise your own sponsorship- if you would like to join me just let me know via email or text. I can also provide a paper sponsorship form if you want to raise funds that way. If you do plan to walk please arrange to be picked up at our destination. I will have space in my car for 2 people

If you prefer to donate directly please email me for a sponsorship form and I will send over to you.

I'm hoping to be present after the weekend masses once all the walks have been completed which will be some time towards the end of June and you can pass on any sponsorship monies then.

N.B. I'd be delighted if you would like to join me on any of the walks. Please note if you plan to come as a family then all children under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult. In addition, I'm hoping we can do the majority of the walks off road to take in our lovely open countryside so good walking shoes/boots will be essential.

Best Regards

Keith Stopforth [kstoppy1@hotmail.com](mailto:kstoppy1@hotmail.com)

07809 511592

## **Continuing along the Path of Synodality – Tuesdays at 7pm, starting 21 April**

Pope Leo has invited us to continue to embrace the journey of synodality recognising that 'our relationships do not respond to the logic of power but to that of love.' As we journey through Eastertide towards the great feast of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, we have an opportunity to reflect on the document that came from the final session of the Synod on Synodality called by Pope Francis that Pope Leo is now urging us to embrace at every level in the life of the Church.

### **Tuesday evenings 21, 28 April, 5, 12, 19 May, 7pm to 8.30pm**

To join the zoom meeting use the weblink below, enter the meeting details or use the QR code:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89983555285?pwd=VBTox3xbJiWrU8x00sbiuCGmnO97Xn.1>

Meeting ID: 899 8355 5285

Passcode: 981267



***For all bookings received by 30<sup>th</sup> April 2026, a £25 per person discount will apply and a low deposit of £100 per person.***

***After 30<sup>th</sup> April, deposit is £250 per person and normal price applies.***

### ***Lourdes in December for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception***

***7 – 11 December 2026***

*£650 per person sharing*

*£775 single room*

*Please contact St Anne's parish office for a Booking Form.*

## Did you attend a Notre Dame School in the Archdiocese of Liverpool?

There will be a reunion on **17<sup>th</sup> May** for all ex-pupils & teachers, consisting of Mass at 11.00am followed by a complimentary light lunch & a social finishing at 3.00pm, at the Irenaeus Centre, Waterloo. A donation for our current charity & a raffle prize would be appreciated.

Please try to attend, all are welcome.

Reply by 3<sup>rd</sup> May to Bernie Shaw, 0161 483 0173

[Berniemshaw@hotmail.com](mailto:Berniemshaw@hotmail.com)

### **BRAND NEW EARLY YEARS FACILITY**

**Exciting News for Our Community!** 

#### **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.