

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

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3 May 2026

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Readings: L1 397: Acts 6; Ps 33; 1 Pt 2; Jn 14.

St Elizabeth's Mass Times

Sun	3	9.00am	<i>Audrey Mitchell</i>
Wed	6	9.30am	<i>Holy Souls - St Mary's School will join us</i>
Sun	10	9.00am	<i>Joan Forshaw</i>

St Anne's Mass Times

Sat	2	4.00pm 5.00pm	<i>Feast of St Athanasius</i> <i>Reconciliation & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i> Mary Dodson (Vigil Mass)
Sun	3	10.30am Noon	Intentions of Megan & James Waggett (streamed) <i>Baptisms: Teddy Francis & Joel Alexander Joyce</i>
Mon	4	10.30am	<i>Feast of the English Martyrs</i> <i>Bank Holiday, please note later Mass time</i> Birthday Intention (A.O.)
Tue	5	10.30am	Requiem Mass: Margaret Pope <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prayer Group in Pastoral Centre at 10.30am
Wed	6	9.15am 9.30am	<i>Morning Prayer</i> Rev. Deacon Bernard Worden
Thu	7	9.15am	<i>Please note earlier Mass time, no Morning Prayer</i> Shirley Croft - (Yr 9 St Bede's will join us)
Fri	8	9.30am	<i>No Morning Prayer</i> Angela Lynam (Yr 1 St Anne's Primary will join us)
Sat	9	4.00pm 5.00pm	<i>Reconciliation & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i> Gemma (Vigil Mass)
Sun	10	10.30am Noon	Andrew Blow (streamed) <i>Baptisms: Sophie Laura Currie & Thomas Robert Trow</i>

St. Anne's Scout Group Fun run for Children with Cancer

On Monday 18th May and Thursday 21st May, our children will be participating in a Fun Run for the charity 'Children with Cancer'.

On the Monday, it will be the 8 to 14 year olds and on the Thursday it will be the turn of the 4-8 year olds.

Last year, with your help, we raised in excess of £1500 which was sent to the charity, and we would love to do this again if we can.

Next Sunday – 10th May – some of our members will be outside church before and after Mass and if you would like to sponsor us, we will be very grateful.

We will also leave a sponsor sheet at the back of the church for anyone attending Mass on Saturday evening.

You can either pay next week, or once the run is completed. We are able to take payment by card for those who don't carry cash around.

Thank you for all the support we regularly receive from you all.

Anne Gilham



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Dear Parishioners and Friends

During the Easter season we hear references to light and darkness in the liturgy day after day and often many times in the day. This week I offer you what St Paul, or perhaps one of his disciples, wrote to the new Christians in the town of Colossae. We can make this our prayer over the coming few days.

We thank the Father who has made it possible
for us to share in the saint's inheritance of light.

He has taken us out of the power of darkness
and created a place for us in the kingdom
of the Son that he loves. In him, we gain
our freedom and the forgiveness of our sins.

(1:12-14)

Godine OSB

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

Jean Holden, John Baker, Barbara Pope, Catherine Gaskell, Paul Donleavy, Robert Smith, Audrey Mitchell, Terence Blaney, Francis Bramhall, Jack Hobson, Joan Threlfall, Doreen Donnelly, Mary Adams, Joseph Farley, Anthony Evans, Evelyn Jaworski, Aileen O'Sullivan, William Bennett, Catherine Pennington, Paul Condon, Patricia Swayne Butterworth, David Ellis, Elizabeth Oldroyd, Thomas McLoughlin, Terence Williams, Eric Favager, Wynn Kehoe, Terence Burns, Ronald Whitby, Thelma Culshaw, Isabel Morrison, Catherine Boon, Bernard McCarthy, Philip Gough, Christina Vaughan, James Devereux, Tina Lammyman, Mary Deevey, Francis Allt.

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

Philip Halsall, Joan Riozzi, Margaret Mary Moss, Bernard Whitty, John Tully, Joseph Bond.

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, Patrick McCabe, Tom Ireland, Robert Wright, Peggy Sweeney.*

Recently sick: *Susan, Jacqui McDermott.*

Please pray for the repose of the souls of David Harrison, Ann Lloyd, Winifred Wright & Gareth Lewis who died recently.

St Anne's News:

UCM: *There is no UCM meeting tomorrow as it's a Bank Holiday.*

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

St Elizabeth's Parish office will be closed from Wednesday 29th April until Wednesday 13th 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

Summer Raffle: We are getting ready for our Summer Raffle and we need your help to make it a success! If you have any unwanted gifts that would make a great raffle prize, please could you see Chris. Many thanks.

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.

Please do not park opposite any driveways on Clyffes Farm Close during Mass times and school drop offs – please use the car park.

The Douai Abbey shop is now online so well worth having a look as some things are on a special offer! - <https://douaiabbey.xyz>

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



On **Saturday the 27th June**, Ormskirk Community Choir have their Summer Concert. Tickets will be on sale in advance for safety reasons as this is always well attended.

Put the date in your diary and we will get tickets out as soon as possible!

Reflections on the Lenten Programme at St Anne's

Lent is that time in the calendar of the Church in which we journey through the preparations for the death and resurrection of Our Lord. It takes us through a moving liturgy culminating in the services of Holy Week. The weekly Stations of the Cross, the programme of talks and selected episodes from the TV series 'The Chosen', was an attempt by the Parish Council to provide a mix of tradition with new sources of insight, which we hoped would inform and inspire as we moved towards Holy Week. Thank you to those parishioners who attended one or more of the events. If you were one of them, do please tell us if you found them helpful or have any suggestions for next year. If you could not attend, we hope to provide a similar programme during Advent and look forward to seeing you there!

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.*

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

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

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Men's Prayer Group

Next meeting is on **Wednesday 13th May** at 19.00
in the back room of the Greyhound Pub.

All men of both parishes welcome

Contact Pete on 01851716057 / Gennsuer20@gmail.com for details

St George's Evening Exposition

An opportunity to spend some time in silence in front of the Blessed Sacrament each week.

Wednesday evenings, 7-8pm, St George's RC Church, Station Road, Maghull.

Come for five minutes or the full hour for some quiet prayer and reflection. Everyone welcome!

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

There will be a reunion on **17th 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 3rd May to Bernie Shaw, 0161 483 0173

Berniemshaw@hotmail.com

***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.

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.