

# Holy Apostles, Rossendale

5th Sunday of Easter

18th May 2025

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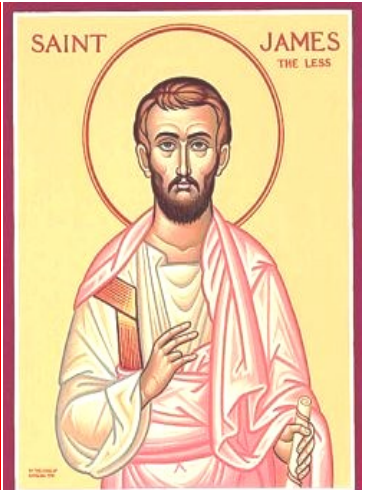
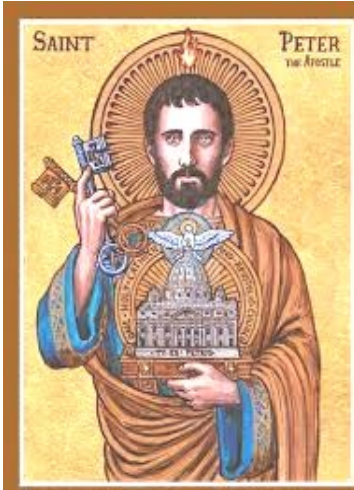
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## Masses in St Peter's

Tuesday 20th May	Holy Mass	9.30am
Thursday 22nd May	Holy Mass	9:00am
Saturday 24th May	Holy Mass	9:30am
Sunday 25th May	Holy Mass	9.00am

## Confessions in St Peter's

Saturday 24th May 10.00am - 11.00am

## Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday 24th May 10.00am - 11.00am

## Readers at Mass

25th May 9.00am Shirley Whittaker

## Masses in St James the Less

Monday 19th May	Holy Mass	9.30am
Wednesday 21st May	Holy Mass	9:30am
Friday 23rd May	Holy Mass	9.00am
Saturday 24th May	Vigil Mass	6:30pm
Sunday 25th May	Holy Mass	11.00am

## Confessions in St James the Less

Saturday 24th May 5.30pm - 6.30pm

## Readers at Mass

24th May 6.30pm Heather Purcell  
25th May 11.00am Mary Fish

## Masses Received

*Sick: Roger & Ruth Dawes; Ian Butterworth; Andrew Wakerley; Jean Ashworth; Jean Lewin; Hattie Bowes; Claire Seymour; Lily Smith; Norma Blackburn; Matt Simpson; Derek Stephens; Jean Wearden; Beatrice Lacey; Margaret Moffatt; Carole Rowbottom;*

*Lately Dead: Margaret Dempsey*

*Anniversaries: Tommy Higgins*

*Birthday Anniversary: Michael Francis Whittaker*

*Other - A Special Intention for Lily Smith*

## Mass on Thursday

This coming Thursday, 22nd May, Mass in St Peter's will be at the slightly earlier time of 9.00am. This is because all the Priests of the Deanery have a Day of Recollection and opportunity to go to Confession at Stonyhurst so I will be joining my brother Priests there for the day. Apologies for the changes in times over the past couple of weeks. Hopefully next week we will be back to the usual pattern!

## May Devotions to Our Blessed Lady

Sincere thanks to those who came to St James the Less last Sunday for our May Devotions in the afternoon. This Sunday, 18th May, there will be May Devotions in St Peter's at 3.00pm. We will pray the Rosary, sing our favourite Marian hymns and make an Act of Consecration to Our Lady in her own sweet month. Please do come along to pray for the Parish and to renew your own love and devotion to Mary, Mother of God and our mother.

## Welcome

We welcome into the new life of grace Thea Jane Shannon Kelly who will be Baptised this Sunday, 18th May at 12.30pm in St James the Less. Please keep Thea and her family in your prayers.

### Parish Centre at St James the Less

The newly renovated Parish Centre at St James the Less is available for bookings. I am grateful to the newly formed Parish Centre Committee who have decided on and produced a booking form and policy for the use of the Centre. The Centre is open for bookings for family parties and other events, as well as longer term bookings for groups/sessions, both in the daytime and in the evening. If you would like to book the Centre, please contact Jeanette on 07960 977464 or [jeanettepritchard5@gmail.com](mailto:jeanettepritchard5@gmail.com)

### Parish Pilgrimage to Lindisfarne

Our Parish mini pilgrimage to Holy Island and Durham will take place from Thursday 25th September to Saturday, 27th September. We will be staying at the Holiday Inn in Newcastle for the two nights and visiting Ripon Cathedral on the way up North, which has the oldest Cathedral Crypt in the country, dating from the 7th Century. We will be following the footsteps of the Northern Saints. Many thanks to all who came along to the meeting last Wednesday. It is now time to pay deposits of £75 if you have not yet done so. We do have a few twin rooms available still, so please spread the word!

### St Peter's Coffee Morning

Raffle winners for April are:

£25 - Colette Boardman

£10 - Susan Bann

Box of Chocolates - Kath Barnes

Wine - Sue Holt

Easter Egg - Margaret Nixon

Many thanks for your support. Tickets for the June raffle will be on sale at the back of St Peter's church every Sunday, after the 9:00am

### Sacrament of Confirmation

This weekend, at our three Masses, the young people who are going forward for Confirmation with the Bishop this year will be enrolled on the Programme. This coming Tuesday, 20th May, the first session for our young people will take place in the Parish Centre at St James the Less, beginning at 6.30pm. Please pray for our young people as they take this important step in their journey of Faith. It is not too late, if you know of any young person who is in year 8 or above who would like to be Confirmed this year, please contact Father Stamp as soon as possible.

### Parish Charity Shop

My sincere thanks to those parishioners who have been going into the Old School Room to clean and sort. This coming Tuesday, 20th May, there will be a meeting for all volunteers at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre at St James the Less. Ignore the time in last week's newsletter as it clashed with the Confirmation preparation. If anyone would like to be involved in sorting and setting up the shop, please come along with your diary that evening!

### CAFOD Coffee Morning

This Sunday, 18th May, after the 11am Mass, there will be the monthly CAFOD Coffee Morning in the Parish Centre at St James the Less. Please come along after the 11am Mass and support our Parish CAFOD Group.

### Red Mission Boxes

Next weekend, 24th & 25th May, please can you bring your Red Mission Boxes to the sacristy at St James the Less after the 6.30pm Vigil Mass or the 11.00am Sunday morning Mass so that the money can be counted and sent off to the Missions. Many thanks

### Mamma Mia Event

On Saturday, 24th May at 2:00pm-4:00pm, there will be a Mamma Mia afternoon with a live Abba tribute band. Food will be provided by La Turka. If you would to attend, tickets can be purchased at:

[ALR Productions: Exceptional Event Production](#)

### MASS FOR MARRIED COUPLES

Fr Peter Hopkinson VG will be celebrating a special Mass at St Bernadette's Church, Bury New Road, Whitefield, on Tuesday, 3rd June at 7.00pm. The Mass is for anyone celebrating a significant wedding anniversary, whether your 1st/10th/20th/30th/ 40th/50th/60th, or beyond! Married couples living in the Diocese of Salford, are warmly invited to attend, along with immediate family/friends. If you would like to attend, please register your details using the link below:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd-MyWxSUioD3FNQ8\\_pJeHesn6uQMDTPDBiHbpy4q0EIIzsIq/viewform?usp=header](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd-MyWxSUioD3FNQ8_pJeHesn6uQMDTPDBiHbpy4q0EIIzsIq/viewform?usp=header)

or email the following information to us and include the wedding anniversary you are celebrating this year and the date of your anniversary: [formation@dioceseofsalford.org.uk](mailto:formation@dioceseofsalford.org.uk)

- Names, Email address and telephone number and number of attendees

There is also an invitation to join us afterwards in the parish hall for a celebratory drink. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to

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