



Holy Apostles, Rossendale

Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

9th November 2025

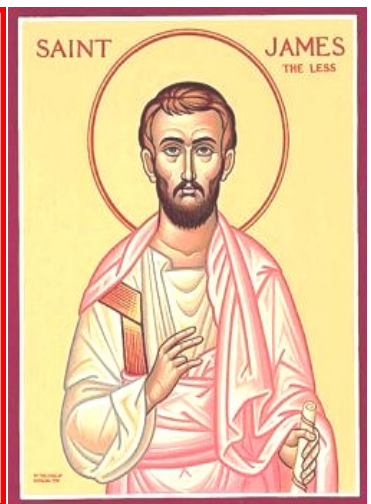
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Masses in St Peter's

Tuesday 11th November	Holy Mass	9:30am
Thursday 13th November	Holy Mass	9:30am
Saturday 15th November	Holy Mass	9:30am
Sunday 16th November	Holy Mass	9.00am

Confessions in St Peter's

Saturday 15th November 10.00am - 11.00am

Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday 15th November 10.00am - 11.00am

Reader at Mass

16th November 9.00am Chris Thomas

Masses in St James the Less

Monday 10th November	Holy Mass	9:30am
Wednesday 12th November	Holy Mass	9:30am
Friday 14th November	Holy Mass	9:30am
Saturday 15th November	Vigil Mass	6.30pm
Sunday 16th November	Holy Mass	11.00am

Confessions in St James the Less

Saturday 15th November 5.30pm - 6.30pm

Readers at Mass

15th November	6.30pm	Racheal Wilson
16th November	11.00am	Paul Swarbrick

Masses Received

Sick: Rosanna Taylor; Roger & Ruth Dawes; Ian Butterworth; Andrew Wakerley; Jean Ashworth; Jean Lewin; Hattie Bowes; Claire Seymour; Lily Smith; Norma Blackburn; Derek Stephens; Beatrice Lacey; Carole Rowbottom; Rosanna Taylor

Anniversaries: Frank & Annie Tracey; Bob Ives; Stephen Wells; Billy Wells; Harry Haile; Kenneth Boast; Kathleen Boast; Bill Mitchener

Other: November Masses for Mary & Peter Connolly; Marie Ives; Andrew Ives; For the Intentions of Lily Smith

Welcome

We welcome into the new life of grace Reggie who was Baptised on Saturday, Theodore who will be Baptised this Sunday and Pearl who will be Baptised on Saturday 15th November at St James the Less. Please pray for Reggie, Theodore and Pearl and for their families.

Before I went away on holiday, there was an omission in the newsletter. Isla Flitcroft was also Baptised on Saturday 18th October at St James the Less. We welcome Isla into the new life of grace and pray for her and her family.

Remembrance Sunday

This Sunday 9th November, we celebrate Remembrance Sunday when we remember all who fell in the two World Wars of the 20th Century, and also when we pray for peace in our own time. There will be a parade from the town square in Rawtenstall beginning at 2.35pm followed by the Service of Remembrance at the cenotaph. I will be there for this ecumenical service and all are warmly invited to attend.

Journey in Faith

This Thursday 13th November we will have our next Journey in Faith session when we will begin looking at the Church's Liturgical life, moving on to look at each of the 7 Sacraments. If you wanted to dip into the course but haven't yet attended, this is a good place to begin. The session begins at 7.00pm in the Parish Centre at St James the Less. Please note, I have a Governors meeting at St Peter's at 5.30pm, so if I am a little late, please enjoy a cup of tea and a cake until I arrive! I didn't want to put it off any longer.

Blessing of Graves

The annual blessing of the graves of loved ones and parishioners will take place on Sunday 16th November at 2.30pm in Rawtenstall Cemetery and on Sunday 23rd November at 2.30pm in Bacup Cemetery. This is a beautiful tradition whereby we pray for our dearly departed loved ones and bless their graves. Please stand by the grave of your loved one

The Old School Charity Shop

Is your wardrobe bursting with clothes you no longer wear? Your Parish Shop continues to need good quality freshly cleaned donations - especially both men's and women's winter clothing - so please have a look for anything you no longer want. We can accept pre-loved items including tops and jumpers, suits and shirts, trousers and jeans, coats and jackets, hats, gloves and scarves. We could also do with a few more volunteers - can you help to cover a morning or an afternoon (10am-1pm, or 1pm-4pm) once a week? Why not call in and have a chat with any of our volunteers on duty, or ring Anna Mai on 01706 226909 for more details. Please donate and/or volunteer and help support your Parish.

Sacramental Programme 2025-2026

This past Wednesday, we had our introductory meeting for parents at St Peter's to begin the Programme for this year. On Tuesday 18th November at 3.30pm, there will be an introductory meeting for parents at St James the Less Primary School for children at the Rawtenstall end of the Parish. If your child does not attend one of our three Primary Schools but would like to prepare for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion this year along with the other children, you are very welcome to attend the introductory meeting. Alternatively, please see Father Stamp to make a private arrangement.

Red Mission Boxes

Next weekend, 15th & 16th November, 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.

St Peter's November Coffee Morning

Raffle results are:

£25 - C Collis

£10 - Leo

Wine - Louisa B

Chocolates - Theo

Many thanks for your support. Tickets for the December raffle are on sale every Sunday after 9am Mass at St Peter's.

Parish Centre at St James the Less

The Parish 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 07960977464

Or email: jeanettepritchard5@gmail.com

Baptism Preparation Sessions

Our next Baptism Preparation Session will take place on Tuesday 18th November at 6.30pm in the church at St James the Less. If you wish to attend please sign one of the sign-up sheets at the back of either church.

Any parents wishing to book a Baptism need to collect a booklet from Father Stamp which explains the process.

Parish Christmas Fayre

Our Christmas Fayre takes place on Sunday 30th November in the Parish Hall at St Peter's, beginning at 11.00am. Please note: that Sunday Masses in both churches will be at 10.00am rather than 9am and 11am so that all parishioners can support the Fayre which is one of the major fundraising events in our Parish calendar. We would be very grateful for the following items: new children's toys and games; bottles; new toiletries, especially gift sets; prizes for the raffles; teddy bears, either new or clean second hand. These items can be left either at the back of church in St Peter's or in the Presbytery porch at St James the Less. If any parishioners have contacts with local businesses who would be willing to sponsor us in some way, please reach out to them. At the back of both churches there are sign up sheets for volunteers to help with setting up as well as running stalls on the day. Please be generous in signing up and giving of your time and talents! Please also be generous in bringing in goods so we can make this a great event for our Parish.

Parish Lotto

This week's winner is number 29: Marie Fishwick. Congratulations Marie! You have to be in it to win it!

CAFOD Coffee Morning

Next Sunday, 16th November, 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. Thank you also to all those who donated Family Fast envelopes. A grand total of **£1165.24** was raised.