



Holy Apostles, Rossendale

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

23rd February, 2025

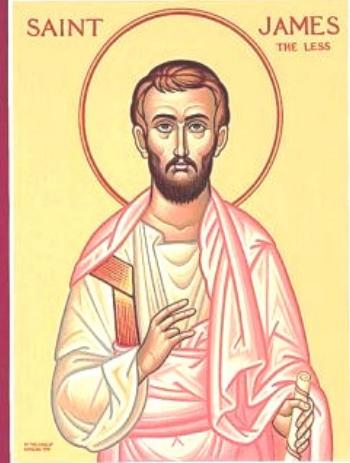
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Masses in St Peter's

Tuesday 25th February	Holy Mass	9:30am
Thursday 27th February	Holy Mass	9:30am
Saturday 1st March	Holy Mass	9:30am
Sunday 2nd March	Holy Mass	9.00am

Confessions in St Peter's

Saturday 1st March	10.00am - 11.00am
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Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday 1st March	10.00am - 11.00am
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Readers at Mass

2nd March 9.00am	Fiona Heppleston
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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;

Lately Dead: Liz Entwistle; Ann-Marie Medlin; Joyce Ashurst; **Other:** John & Eileen Ruane

Parish Shop

Many thanks to all who came to the meeting on Thursday night to help with the beginning of the Parish Shop. This coming Tuesday, 25th February, the volunteers will be meeting in the Old School Room at St James the Less at 10.15am to begin sorting through goods. All are welcome to come along and get involved

St Patrick's Night

There will be an Irish Night celebration in the Parish Centre at St James the Less on Saturday, 8th March, with Irish music and food, as well as a bar. Tickets will be on sale this weekend at the back of church. Thanks to the Parish Centre Committee for organising this event.

Masses in St James the Less

Monday 24th February	Holy Mass	9.30am
Wednesday 26th February	Holy Mass	9:30am
Friday 28th February	Requiem Mass	10.00am
Saturday 1st March	Vigil Mass	6:30pm
Sunday 2nd March	Holy Mass	11.00am

Confessions in St James the Less

Saturday 1st March	5.30pm - 6.30pm
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Readers at Mass

1st March 6.30pm	Racheal Wilson
2nd March 11.00am	Bill Wilkinson

Liz Entwistle RIP

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Liz Entwistle who has died. Liz's body will be received into St James the Less on Thursday 27th February at 6.00pm for the Vigil and Rosary. Liz's Requiem Mass will be on Friday 28th February at 10.00am in St James the Less. May she rest in peace.

Baptism Preparation Sessions

The next Preparation Session will be on Tuesday, 25th March, at 6.30pm in the church at St James the Less for any parents preparing for the Baptism of their child. Many thanks to the volunteers who lead these sessions.

Welcome

We welcome into the new life of grace Ella Gansler who will be Baptised this Sunday, 23rd February, at 12.30pm in St James the Less. Please keep Ella and her family in your prayers.

Programme for Ash Wednesday – 5th March

9.00am Mass with imposition of Ashes in St James the Less Primary School

10.30am Liturgy with imposition of Ashes in St Joseph's Primary School

12 noon Mass with imposition of Ashes in St James the Less church

2.45pm Liturgy with imposition of Ashes in St Peter's Primary School

7.00pm Mass with imposition of Ashes in St Peter's church

Parishioners are very welcome to attend one of the Masses in the churches or one of the Masses or Liturgies in the Primary Schools.

Sign up Sheet for Parish Sisters

Sister Princy will shortly begin driving lessons, but in the meantime, the Sisters need transport to St Peter's on those days when Mass is in Newchurch, namely Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. It is really important that the Sisters are able to attend daily Mass so could I ask parishioners to please be generous in volunteering to help. I have placed at the back of both churches a sign up sheet for the coming weeks. It may be that you can only sign up for one slot in the month, but whatever you can do will be a big help so that we can ensure that the task doesn't just fall to one or two. Once the slots have been filled, we will draw up a rota for the month ahead. Many thanks.

Parish Lenten Programme

I am currently formulating some plans for a spiritual programme for the Parish for the Season of Lent. I would like to introduce some extra times of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, maybe with a preached meditation, and perhaps either an early morning weekday Mass or an evening Mass so that parishioners who are working could attend during the Season. If anyone has any ideas or suggestions, or if you would attend either an early morning or evening Mass during the week, could you let me know?

Quiz Night

The next Parish Quiz Night will take place on Friday, 4th April, in the Parish Hall at St Peter's, including supper and a licensed bar. Thanks to the Parish Social Committee for organising this event.

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

CTS Sunday Missals

The new Sunday Missals containing the new translation of the Sunday Readings and the Order of Mass have now arrived! The cost per Missal is £20. I have left one copy at the back of church so you can have a look before deciding if you would like to purchase one.

Journey in Faith

Journey in Faith is for those who might be interested in becoming Catholics, as well as for Catholics who want to deepen their own knowledge of the Catholic Faith. At the sessions we use a resource called 'Evangelium' which was developed by two Priests from the Archdiocese of Westminster. This resource uses Christian art throughout the centuries to help us understand better our Faith. The sessions use Power Point presentations, and there is also time for questions and discussion. Refreshments are also provided. Over the past couple of years, I have run these sessions on a Wednesday evening up in the Hall at St Peter's, and we have formed a really good group. I know some of the group are preparing to begin the sessions again, because the Catholic Faith is so rich there is always more to learn! Having listened to feedback from some parishioners who would like to come but have been unable for one reason or another, I have decided for the coming year to move the sessions to the Parish Centre at St James the Less and also to move them to a Thursday evening. The first session which is on 'The Meaning of Life' will take place in the Parish Centre at St James the Less on Thursday 27th February at 7.00pm. All are warmly invited to come along and find out more!