



Holy Apostles, Rossendale

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

22nd September, 2024

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Masses in St Peter's

Tuesday 24th September

Thursday 26th September

Saturday 28th September

No Holy Mass

Holy Mass 9.30am

Holy Mass 9.30am

Sunday 29th September

Holy Mass 9.00am

Confessions in St Peter's

Saturday 28th September

10.00am - 11.00am

Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday 29th September

10.00am - 11.00am

Reader at Mass 29th September

9.00am

Maureen Ashworth

Masses Received

Sick: Bobbie McNerny; Roger & Ruth Dawes; Ian Butterworth; Andrew Wakerley; Jean Ashworth; David Maguire; Jean Lewin; Hattie Bowes; Canon David Ryder, Frances Mahon; Claire Seymour, Tom Pilling

Anniversaries: Dorothy Kerrone, Joseph Tyrrell, Vincent Cornwell, Deceased members of the Farrell Family, Deceased members of the Maguire Family.

Lately Dead: Father Michael Twomey, Father Derek Woodhead, Father Colin Wright, Jim Travis.

Other: For the intentions of Frances Mahon.

Masses in St James the Less

Monday 23rd September

Wednesday 25th September

Friday 27th September

No Holy Mass

No Holy Mass

Holy Mass 9.30am

Saturday 28th September

Vigil Mass 6.30pm

Sunday 29th September

Holy Mass 11.00am

Confessions in St James the Less

Saturday 28th September

5.30pm - 6.30pm

Readers at Mass 28th & 29th September

6.30pm

Dawn Winfield

11:00am

Sue Casey

Advanced Notice about Masses

While I am away with parishioners for the Pilgrimage to York from Monday 23rd to Wednesday 25th September, there will be no weekday Mass on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday of that week. Weekday Masses will resume as usual from Thursday 26th September. We will of course be celebrating Mass each day on the Pilgrimage for the intentions of all parishioners.

The Jimmy Cricket Laughter Show

Jimmy Cricket will be bringing his Laughter Show to the Parish Hall at St Peter's on Saturday 19th October from 8.00pm to 11.00pm. The funds from this night will go towards the restoration of the Parish Centre at St James the Less because, although most has been paid for by insurance as a result of the flood, some of the improvements we need to fund ourselves. Can I make an appeal for parishioners from both churches to really support this night. Tickets are on sale this weekend and can be purchased from Carole Watchorn.

Baptism Preparation Sessions

The next Baptism Preparation session will be on Tuesday, 19th November 2024, at 6.30pm in St James the Less Church. Signup sheets can be found at the back of both churches.

Journey in Faith

The next Journey in Faith session will be on Wednesday, 2nd October, at 7.00pm in the Parish Hall at St Peter's. We will be looking at Praying the Mass. All are welcome to come and learn more about our Catholic Faith.

Programme for York

The coach will pickup at 8.30am from St James the Less on Monday, 23rd September. We will stop at Harrogate to explore, have lunch or maybe afternoon tea at the famous Betty's. After leaving Harrogate we will travel on to our hotel where we will celebrate Holy Mass and have our evening meal. On Tuesday, we leave the hotel at 9.15am and travel to York where we will celebrate Mass in the Bar Convent, after which we will enjoy the wonderful exhibition there (there is also a good coffee shop!) We will then walk the short distance to the Shrine of St Margaret Clitherow. There will be some free time on Tuesday to explore York before we will meet at the Bar Convent to travel back to the hotel. On Wednesday 25th, we will leave the hotel after breakfast and Holy Mass to travel to Thirsk, a lovely market town where we can enjoy the James Herriot experience. After lunch and a visit to the many lovely shops, we will leave at around 1.30pm for the journey home.

Parish Rambling Club

The next Parish Ramble will be on Sunday 13th October and it is the Stacksteads/Bacup walk. The start point is the Rose and Bowl Car Park in Stacksteads

The walk is approximately 4 miles and will take around 2 hours. It can be quite wet and muddy so walking boots or strong shoes will be needed. There are no stiles to climb.

From the car park, we will walk up onto Booth Road and then Tunstead Road. From there is a steep climb over the top of Stacksteads. It then levels out as we walk through fields towards Maden Recreation Ground in Bacup. We will then make our way down to Stubbylee Park on New Line. In the park is a Café where we could stop for a drink. From the park it is mainly flat, with a couple of short inclines, as we make our way back past the quarry to the Rose and Bowl car park.

Walk Leaders: **Ann Mulderrig and Margaret Leake.**

Autumn Quiz Night

Our next quiz night will take place in St Peter's parish hall on Friday, 27th September, at 7.30pm (doors and bar open from 7pm). Tickets cost £5 pp, including home made supper, maximum 6 per team. Tickets are now on sale!

Children's Liturgy

Our Children's Liturgy, or Little Church, takes place each Sunday during the 9am and 11am Masses. During the 9am Mass in St Peter's, the children meet with the volunteers in the Parish Hall underneath the Church. During the 11am Mass in St James the Less, the children meet with the volunteers in the Old School Room. If anyone would be willing to help at either Mass, we are always on the lookout for new volunteers. Please let Father Stamp or one of our volunteers know you would like to help and they can tell you how to get involved.

MacMillan Coffee Morning

REMINDER

MacMillan Coffee Morning TODAY after 9:00am Mass until 12 Noon in St Peter's Hall. Please do support this event as it was a great success last year. Thank you.

Duck Derby 2024

I want to extend a sincere thank you to all who participated in our Parish Duck Derby last Sunday. The final total of £6224.40 is a tremendous amount, especially considering the weather on the day. The rain did not deter the crowds who came to support and there was a lovely family atmosphere throughout the day. I am so grateful to all of the volunteers who helped to organise and set everything up as well as all who manned the stalls and also came back on the Monday to clear everything away. It was a great team effort. Many thanks also to the staff of the Primary School at St James the Less who also helped, and to the Rossendale Drum Majorettes who came to entertain us despite being drenched with rain! I know I state this a lot, and I don't want to become a 'stuck record' but these fundraising events, as well as new initiatives like the Parish shop, are becoming more and more important in the life of Parishes. The Parish does not receive any external funding, either from the Government or the Diocese - all of our money comes from the kind donations of parishioners, both in the weekly collection at Mass and in our fundraising events. When the Diocese looks at re-ordering and restructuring, one of the key considerations is financial viability and whether or not a Parish is able to support itself financially going forward. For this reason, it is essential that we are financially robust so that our Parish churches can remain open for many years to come in order to serve future generations.