



Holy Apostles, Rossendale

16th Week in Ordinary Time
20th July 2025

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Masses in St Peter's

Tuesday 22nd July	Holy Mass	9:30am
Thursday 24th July	Holy Mass	9:30am
Friday 25th July	Requiem Mass	12:00noon
Saturday 26th July	Holy Mass	9:30am
Sunday 27th July	Holy Mass	9.00am

Confessions in St Peter's

Saturday 26th July	10.00am - 11.00am
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Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday 26th July	10.00am - 11.00am
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Readers at Mass

27th July 9.00am	Tony Ronnan
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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; Beatrice Lacey; Carole Rowbottom; Anthony Whittaker; Carole Rowbottom

Lately Dead: Jean Wearden; Tony Cordey; Eli Testa; Margaret Moffatt; Angela Wilding; John Harrington; Patrick O'Shaughnessy; Angela Duffy;

Anniversaries: Fergus Toman; Keiron Toman; Sarah Staniforth; Len Watson; Mollie Barcroft

Tony Cordey RIP

We offer our sincere condolences to the family of Tony Cordey who has died. Tony's Requiem Mass will be on Friday 25th July at 12 noon in St Peter's. May he rest in peace.

Masses in St James the Less

Monday 21st July	Holy Mass	9:30am
Wednesday 23rd July	Requiem Mass	12:30pm
Friday 25th July	Holy Mass	9:30am
Saturday 26th July	Vigil Mass	6.30pm
Sunday 27th July	Holy Mass	11.00am

Confessions in St James the Less

Saturday 26th July	5:30pm - 6.30pm
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Readers at Mass

26th July 6.30pm	Dawn Winfield
27th July 11.00am	Paul Swarbrick

Jean Wearden RIP

We offer our sincere condolences to the family of Jean Wearden who has died. Jean's Requiem Mass will be on Wednesday 23rd July at 12.30pm in St James the Less. There will be no 9.30am Mass that morning. Jean's body will be received into St James the Less on Tuesday 22nd July at 6.00pm for a Vigil of Prayer and Rosary. May she rest in peace.

Eli Testa RIP

Eli's Funeral Service took place in St James the Less on Saturday 19th July. Please pray for Eli and for his family. As a Parish, we offer our sincere condolences to Eli's family and especially to his mum and dad.

Children's Liturgy

After this weekend, our Children's Liturgy in St James the Less at the 11am Mass will take a break for the summer. In St Peter's, the Children's Liturgy at the 9am Mass finished last weekend for the summer. The Children's Liturgy will begin again in both churches in September. Many thanks to the kind volunteers who make this possible each week for our children and families.

Journey in Faith

Our Journey in Faith Group will now break for the summer. We will begin again in September. Many thanks to all who have come along so far to learn more about the Catholic Faith and to enjoy the company of others who are also looking to deepen their knowledge of the Faith.

Leavers' Masses

All of the School Leavers' Masses, in St Joseph's and St Peter's Primaries, St James the Less Primary and All Saints High School, have now taken place. Many thanks to the children and staff. As the academic year now ends, we wish all of our children and staff a very happy summer break and we pray that they will return safely to us in September renewed and refreshed. A special thank you to Canon Lupton and Canon McBride for their involvement in the final Masses in St James the Less, and to those kind parishioners who helped with the BBQ for the Year 6 children in St James the Less. Congratulations to the Year 6 children from St Peter's on the success of their summer show 'Aladdin' to which I was invited this past week, and which took place in the church hall.

St Peter's July Raffle Results

£25 - Maureen Ashworth

£10 - Josie Cordey

Chocolates - Susan Horkin

Wine - Joanne Bentley.

Thank you all for your support. Tickets for the August raffle are on sale after the 9:00am Mass every Sunday in July.

CAFOD Coffee Morning

This Sunday, 20th July, is the monthly Coffee Morning for CAFOD after the 11:00am Mass in the Parish Centre at St James the Less. Please do call in after Mass and support.

Parish Lottery

This week's winner, drawn on 12th July, is number 14, Shirley McCarthy-Ward. Well done Shirley!

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

Congratulations All Saints

I want to offer our sincere congratulations to our High School, All Saints, for a successful Section 48 Catholic Inspection. I encourage everyone to read the report which you can find on the school website or Facebook page. When I met with the inspectors, they were obviously very impressed with the work going on in our High School around the Catholic life and mission of the school. Well done All Saints! We are very proud of you.

The Old School Charity Shop

Our new Parish Charity Shop is now up and running. The Shop opening hours are currently: Tuesday - Friday 10am - 4pm; Saturday 10am - 1pm; Sunday & Monday closed. The shop is also accepting donations of goods, so please donate to our shop!

Suggestions Box

For me, the month of August is always a little quieter in the life of the Parish, and I always find it a good time to reflect on how things are going in the Parish and fresh ideas for September. It is now over three years since I arrived, and we had to undertake the consultation process for amalgamation of the Parishes and the change in Mass times. When I look back over those three years, I feel Our Lord has done a lot for us as a Parish during that time with our willingness and cooperation, but of course there is always more to be done. I would like us to think especially over the summer about how we can engage our children and families from the Primary Schools and also our young people from our High School, but I am sure there are many other areas of Parish life that parishioners would like to see developed. In particular, I am always thinking of how we can help those families who live at a distance from either of our churches in the former Parish area of St Joseph's, Stacksteads which is now part of our large Parish. Next weekend, I will place a 'suggestion box' at the back of the church so that parishioners can place any suggestions for future development or any changes they would like to see going forward.