



Holy Apostles, Rossendale

Easter Week
5th April 2026

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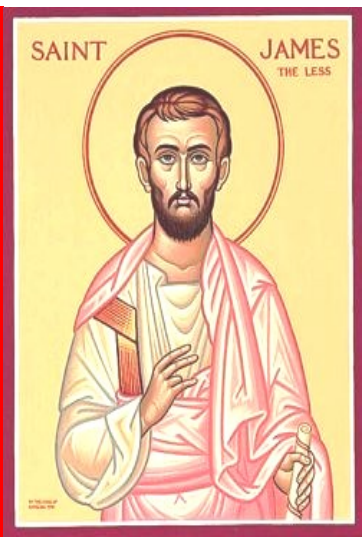
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Masses in St Peter's

Tuesday 7th April	Holy Mass	9:30am
Thursday 9th April	Holy Mass	9:30am
Saturday 11th April	Holy Mass	9:30am

Sunday 12th April	Holy Mass	9.00am
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No Confessions in St Peter's on Saturday 11th April

No Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
on Saturday 11th April

Readers at Mass

12th April	9.00am	Fiona Heppleston
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Masses in St James the Less

Monday 6th April	Holy Mass	9:30am
Wednesday 8th April	Holy Mass	9:30am
Friday 10th April	Holy Mass	9:30am

Saturday 11th April	Vigil Mass	6.30pm
Sunday 12th April	Holy Mass	11.00am

Confessions in St James the Less

Saturday 11th April	5:30pm - 6.30pm
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Readers at Mass

11th April 6.30pm	Dawn Winfield
12th April 11.00am	Paul Swarbrick

Masses Received

Sick: Rosanna Taylor; Roger & Ruth Dawes; Ian Butterworth; Andrew Wakerley; Jean Ashworth; Jean Lewin; Claire Seymour; Lily Smith; Norma Blackburn; Derek Stephens; Beatrice Lacey; Carole Rowbottom; Kate Cotton; Trevor Collinge; Eleanor Diver; Carole Rowbottom; Fr. Peter Houghton

Lately Dead: Peter Durst; Eamon Gaughan; Michael Gaffey

Anniversaries: Margaret Dempsey; Ken Broderick

Easter Masses: John & Nora Mulderrig; The Deceased Members of the Molloy & McCarthy Families; Mary & Peter Connolly

Peter Durst RIP

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Peter Durst who has died. Peter was a faithful parishioner at St Peter's over many years. As of going to print, we are still awaiting Funeral arrangements, but these will be announced when finalised. May he rest in peace.

Journey in Faith

As our next session would have fallen in Holy Week, the group will take a break for Easter, and our next session will be on Thursday 16th April at 7.00pm in the Parish Centre at St James the Less when we will begin looking at the Church's moral teaching. All are welcome to attend.

Welcome

We welcome into the new life of grace Willow who will be Baptised on Easter Sunday, 5th April in St Peter's at 12.30pm and Aurelia who will be Baptised on Easter Saturday, 11th April in St James the Less at 12.30pm. Please pray for the children and their families.

Parish Coffee Morning

On Easter Sunday 5th April, there will be an Easter Coffee Morning after the 9am Mass in St Peter's in the Parish Hall. Please do call in and celebrate Easter as well as supporting our Parish.

St George's Day Concert

The 2nd Rossendale Scout Band will be joining us again this year to present a St George's Celebration Concert on Saturday 25th April in the Parish Centre in St James the Less. Tickets are on sale at the back of both churches - £10 per head or £25 for a family ticket. There will be a licensed bar and a potato pie supper on the night. Please do support this event. Some of our Altar Servers at the 11am Mass are involved in the 2nd Rossendale Scout Band and will be playing on the night!

Parish Lotto

This week's winner is number 18: Jeanette Pritchard. Congratulations Jeanette!

Please collect your winnings from Father Stamp.

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 Pritchard on 07960977464. Or email at: jeanette.pritchard5@gmail.com

Congratulations and Welcome

We offer our warmest congratulations to those adults who are to be Baptised, Confirmed and Received into the Catholic Church on Easter Sunday at both of our morning Masses in St Peter's and St James the Less. Please pray for them as we welcome them into full communion with the Catholic Church.

Charity Shop

The charity shop will be closed on:

Easter Sunday 5th April

Easter Monday 6th April

The shop re-opens on Tuesday 7th April at 10:00am

Wishing all our customers a Happy and Blessed Easter.

Happy Easter!

Dear Friends, I wanted to take this opportunity to say a big thank you to all who helped in any way to prepare for the Liturgies of Holy Week and Easter this year in the Parish of Holy Apostles. Sincere thanks to the Sisters who were a big help in preparing and setting everything up; my thanks also to the church cleaners, the flower arrangers, the Altar Servers, the Readers, our musicians and singers, the Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. My thanks to you all for attending all of the Liturgies of the Easter Triduum for really entering into the Mystery of God's love for us in Holy Week. On Maundy Thursday, we celebrated together the great Gifts given to us by Our Lord at the Last Supper - the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist and the Sacrament of the Sacred Priesthood. On Good Friday we celebrated the Sacrifice of Love on Calvary for our salvation, and at the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday and the Easter Masses on Sunday morning, we celebrate the Resurrection of Our Lord. Because Jesus Christ really and truly rose from the dead, in that same Body born of the Blessed Virgin Mary, now risen and glorified, darkness, sin and death can never have the final word. Sometimes, events in our world, especially war and conflict, as well as moments of difficulty and loss in our own lives, can lead us to lose hope and fall into pessimism. Let this celebration of Easter rekindle our faith, hope and love. Christ has conquered and the final victory is His alone! I want to express a particular thanks this Easter to those converts who are being Baptised, Confirmed and Received into full communion with the Catholic Church. Their faith is also a boost to our own faith and an encouragement to us in our journey of faith as a Parish.

I wish you all a very happy and holy Easter.

Father Stamp