

Holy Apostles, Rossendale

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

18th August, 2024

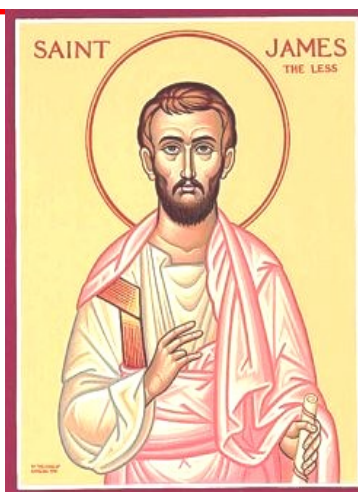
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Masses in St Peter's

Tuesday 20th August	Holy Mass	9.30am
Thursday 22nd August	Holy Mass	9.30am
Saturday 24th August	Holy Mass	9.30am
Sunday 25th August	Holy Mass	9.00am

Confessions in St Peter's

Saturday 24th August	10.00am - 11.00am
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Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday 24th August	10.00am - 11.00am
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Reader at Mass 25th August

9.00am	Maureen Ashworth
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Masses in St James the Less

Monday 19th August	Holy Mass	9.30am
Wednesday 21st August	Holy Mass	9.30am
Friday 23rd August	Holy Mass	9.30am
Saturday 24th August	Vigil Mass	6.30pm
Sunday 25th August	Holy Mass	11.00am

Confessions in St James the Less

Saturday 24th August	5.30pm - 6.30pm
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Readers at Mass 24th & 25th August

6.30pm	Alan Wilson
11.00am	Paola Coe

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.

Other: Mass for a Special Intention.

Lately Dead: Michael Scott; James Neary; Christophe Gusthiot.

Anniversaries: Richard Tyrrell, Gerald Tyrrell; David Spencer; Janet Weston; Faith Weston; Fran Collis; Jean-Michel Gusthiot.

Children's Choir Concert

I am pleased to announce that our recently formed Children's Choir will be performing a little concert for parishioners to show what they have learnt over the summer months. The concert will take place on **Tuesday 27th August at 6.00pm** (not at 7pm as advertised in last week's newsletter) in St James the Less church. All are very welcome to attend. The children will be giving us a little taster of what is to come in the concert this Sunday 18th August at the 11am Mass in St James the Less. Many thanks to Charlotte May for giving her time whilst on holiday

Autumn Quiz Night

Our next quiz night will take place at 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. They will be on sale at both churches from Sunday 25th August.

St Peter's Coffee Morning Raffle

August winners were: £25 Bernie Riley, £10 Linda O'Neil, Wine Peter Smith, Chocolates Susan Horkin.

Many thanks for your support. Tickets for the September raffle are on sale after mass each Sunday in August at St Peter's.

Welcome

We welcome into the new life of grace **Freddie Joseph Stinson** who was Baptised last Sunday at St James the Less and **Aurora Elizabeth Hughes** who will be Baptised this Sunday 18th August at 12.30pm in St James the Less.

CAFOD Coffee Morning

This Sunday, 18th August, there is the monthly Coffee Morning in support of CAFOD in the Old School Room after the 11am in St James the Less. As well as coffee and cakes it is a good opportunity

Teaching Sisters of St Dorothy - Daughters of the Sacred Heart

The Bishop has asked us to receive some Sisters into our Parish, the Dorothean Sisters of the Indian Province. There are already some of these Sisters present in our Diocese, currently at St Teresa's, Intack which is in the Parish of Holy Family, Blackburn. Some of you may have come into contact with one of the Sisters who works in the Chaplaincy at Blackburn Hospital. The first of three Sisters who will be living in our Parish will arrive from India before the end of August and will move into the Presbytery at St James the Less. This is very exciting news for the Parish and I am sure the presence of the Sisters will be a great boost for all of us. One of the Sisters will be helping especially in the Parish with various tasks such as ministry to the sick and housebound, Confirmation and First Holy Communion catechesis as well as other ministries which will develop once the Sisters have fully settled in. I am sure the Sisters will be a great help to me, most of all by their example of prayer and their devotion to the Blessed Sacrament. This means we must now begin to prepare for their arrival with us. I have placed at the back of the church a sign-up sheet for any parishioners who would be willing and able to help. As the Sisters will be arriving straight from India, they won't initially have transport or know the area at all. They will need to be present at Holy Mass each day, and as the Mass alternates between the two churches, they will need transport up to St Peter's on the days when Mass is there. Also, they will need help to find local shops etc. If anyone would be willing to help, please do sign up at the back so we can ensure the Sisters are able to settle into our Parish as quickly as possible. And above all, please make them very welcome here in Rossendale and pray for the success of this new chapter in the life of the Parish and the life of the Sisters!

Update: The first of the Sisters, Sister Suni, will be arriving this Friday 23rd August when she will join us for the 9.30am Mass. Could I ask any parishioners who are able to help to come to the Presbytery this Tuesday 20th August at 1.00pm to help prepare the house for Sister's arrival.

Parish Rambling Club

Sincere thanks to those parishioners who came along to the walk to Snig Hole led by Harry. It was a lovely afternoon and we ended with a cup of tea and cake in the café at Irwell Vale. The next walk, which is the Waterfoot Tunnel Walk, takes place on Sunday 8th September beginning at 1.00pm. All are welcome:

Start Point: Car Park at Bottom of Cowpe Road, Waterfoot. The distance is approximately 2.5 to 3 miles. This is a moderately easy walk with one hill. We walk through the tunnels to Blackwood Road in Stacksteads. Proceed up Blackwood Road for approximately 300 yards. Turn right at the end, then sharp left onto Royds Road. The path is now flat with good views of the opposite valley hillside. At the end of Royds Road, we cross a field to meet Cowpe Road which leads us back to the start of our walk.

Walk Leaders: Peter and Sheelagh Tracey.

Baptism Preparation Sessions

We have decided to introduce a sign-up sheet which you can find at the back of both churches for our Baptism Preparation Sessions. Please sign up if you intend to attend the next session as this will give us an idea of how many helpers and copies of resources we will need for each of the sessions. Many thanks to Louise and the volunteers for their help with this. The next Baptismal preparation session will take place on Tuesday, 3rd September at 6:30pm.

Parish Centre Committee

The next meeting of the Committee will take place this Tuesday 20th August at 7.00pm in the Presbytery at St James the Less.

Siobhan On Leave

Siobhan will be on annual leave from 15th August - 30th August. If anyone has any news articles/notices that they would like going in the newsletter, please email: simon.stamp@dioceseofsalford.org.uk