



NEWSLETTER
ST PETER'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
 CLIFTON STREET, LYTHAM, FY8 5EP
 Parish Website www.stpeterslytham.co.uk



FOR
 Sunday 16th May 2021, 7th Sunday of Easter - Year 'B'
 Priest in Charge: Rev David Burns - 01253 737037
 Deacons: Rev Michael Harrison - 01253 730508 & Rev William Riley (Retired)

<i>Day & Date</i>	<i>Mass Intention</i>	<i>Mass details</i>
Sunday 16th May	People of the Parish	Public Mass 10.30am
Monday 17th May	No Mass	-
Tuesday 18th May	St. Joseph's Intention	Private Mass
Wednesday 19th May	Frank Holland (Ann)	Public Mass 9.00am
Thursday 20th May	Robert McMahon (Ann)	Private Mass
Friday 21st May	St. Joseph's Intention	Private Mass
Saturday 22nd May	Peter Harrison (Ann)	Private Mass
Pentecost Sunday - 23rd May	People of the Parish	Public Mass 10.30am

St Joseph's Mass details:
 Sunday (Vigil) - **Public Mass 6pm.**
 Sunday 16th May - **Public Mass 9.15am.**
 Monday 17th May - No Mass.
 Tuesday 18th May - Private Mass.
 Wednesday 19th May - **Public Mass 12 noon.**
 Thursday 20th May - Private Mass.
 Friday 21st May - Private Mass.
 Saturday 22nd May - Private Mass.
 Sunday (Vigil) - **Public Mass 6pm.**
 Sunday: 23rd May - **Public Mass 9.15am.**

This week's Memorials:
Tuesday: St John I, Pope & Martyr.
Wednesday: St. Dunstan, Bishop.
Thursday: St. Bernardine of Siena, Priest.
Friday: St. Christopher of Magallanes, Priest, & Companions, Martyrs.
Saturday: St. Rita of Cascia, Religious (see overleaf).

**Today, 16th, World Communications Day of Prayer
 & Reminder that:
 Next Sunday, 23rd, is Pentecost, Solemnity**

'Thank you'
 Collection - Wednesday 5th May:- **£45.00.**
 Collection - Sunday 9th May (including First Holy Communion Mass):- **£304.13.**
 Other donations received:- **£95.00.**
Many thanks to all who contributed.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION
 Congratulations to our children who made First Holy Communion last week and their families. This Sunday the next group of our children will make their First Holy Communion at a special Mass for them and their families here at 3pm. Please keep the children, their families, and the catechists in your prayers.

NUPTIAL MASS
 We ask God's blessing upon
GEMMA ROWLINGS & KRISTIAN DANIEL
 who will be married in St. Peter's
 on Wednesday 19th May at 1pm.

Unfortunately, due to COVID restrictions, we are unable to invite the wider parish to attend, nor are we able to gather outside Church.

SANCTUARY LAMP BOOKINGS
Red Lamps -
"Peter & David - Diaconate Training"
 &
"Deceased members of the Wilson & Brown families".

Our Lady's Blue Lamp -
"For Gemma & Kristian on their Wedding"

To book, please email Sue on info@stpeterslytham.co.uk (or speak to her). Suggested donation - £5 for each lamp.

FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK:
 Please continue to pray for: Frank Loftus, Jennie Antoine, Anne Jones, Graham Bentley, Fred & Mary Wylie, Ruth Whiteside, Anne Smith, Kath Hywel-Buckley, Joe Ainsworth, Rose Moss, John Lavelle, Mattie Simpson, Margaret Fearn, Jean Bolton, Tony Bolton, Phoebe Rowlings, and all those in the Hospice, Hospital, Rest Homes & Convents. **May God give them His healing grace.**

MASS INTENTION RECEIVED:
Frank & Winnie Mulligan (Ann)

CAFOD'S AID RESPONSE IN INDIA

From our Coronavirus Appeal, CAFOD have pledged £200,000 to Caritas India, our partner helping in some of the worst affected Covid areas by:

- Providing PPE to frontline health workers.
- Distributing Medical Kits to people with mild symptoms.
- Setting up safely run Isolation & Quarantine centres.
- Promoting life-saving covid and vaccination information.

Please keep praying for the affected families in India. For more information and if you are able to donate, please visit our website at www.cafod.org.uk

This is a gentle note, as our parishioners have already been very generous for our Lent CAFOD walk for water appeal. Many thanks, as always.

ONGOING REMINDERS:

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES:

Envelopes have now been delivered to all who used theirs last year. If you didn't use your envelopes last year but would like to start using them again now that people are returning to Mass, please let us know via the website (info@stpeterslytham.co.uk) and we will deliver them to you.

CONFESSIONS

The Sacrament of Penance is now available after the 9am Mass here at St Peter's, and also after the 12 Noon Mass at St Joseph's. This is in addition to the option of arranging by phone with Fr David to come for the Sacrament at other times.

SUNDAY MASS BOOKINGS:

bookings for seats are being taken for all Sundays in May. Please contact Sue Shakespeare through the website or info@stpeterslytham.co.uk. Seats get booked up quickly so contact Sue as soon as possible. Thank you.

FOOD BANK

To donate to the Food Bank, you can either leave your contribution in the church porch or get in touch with Pete Rickards on 07929 553968 and he will be happy to collect from your home. *Many thanks.*

CATHOLIC VOICE -

The May edition (digital) of the Catholic Voice can be accessed on St. Peter's website.

ANNIVERSARIES occurring about this time:

Peter Smith, Elizabeth Lenehan, John Lenehan, Frances Clare, James Henry Illingworth, Patricia Hermeges, Margaret Vale, Sister Joseph Carmel CP, Kathleen Quigley, Ian Parry, Frank Holland. *May they rest in peace. Amen.*

ST. RITA OF CASCIA - Saturday 22nd May

St. Rita was born at Spoleto, Italy, in 1381. At an early age she begged her parents to allow her to enter a convent. Instead they arranged a marriage for her.

Rita became a good wife and mother, but her husband was a man of violent temper. In anger he often mistreated his wife. He taught their children his own evil ways. Rita tried to perform her duties faithfully and to pray and receive the sacraments frequently.

After nearly 20 years of marriage, her husband was stabbed by an enemy but before he died he repented because Rita prayed for him. Shortly afterwards her 2 sons died and Rita was alone in the world. Prayer, fasting, penances of many kinds, and good works filled her days. She was admitted to the convent of the Augustinian nuns at Cascia in Umbria, and began a life of perfect obedience and great charity.

Sister Rita had a great devotion to the Passion of Christ. "*Please let me suffer like You, Divine Saviour*" she said one day and suddenly one of the thorns from the crucifix struck her on the forehead. It left a deep wound which did not heal and which caused her much suffering for the rest of her life. She died on May 22nd 1457.

CASTLERIGG LOTTERY:

As you can appreciate Castlerigg Manor (our Diocesan Youth Centre) has taken quite a hit financially during the Covid pandemic as they have been unable to host their usual programme of retreats for our schools. As a fundraising initiative, they have just launched a lottery. It costs £3 a month to enter and the winner each month takes half of the total subscribed that month. To sign up please go to:
<https://www.castleriggmanor.co.uk/lottery>

On the sign up page, set the amount at £3 for each ticket that you want to buy and set the frequency to 'Monthly-1st'. Full terms and conditions can be found on the page linked above. Thank you for helping our Diocesan Youth Service.