



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



Sunday 25th June 2023, 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year 'A'
 Parish Priest: Rev Peter D. Clarke - 01253 737037
 Deacons: Rev Michael Harrison - 01253 730508 & Rev William Riley (Retired)

Weekend 24th / 25th June, 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat 24th 6pm St. Joseph's Michael Foreman

Sun 25th 9:15am St. Joseph's People of the Parishes

Sun 25th 10:30am St. Peter's Terence Henry Daw

Mon 26th 11:15am St. Peter's Requiem Mass for Joan Winifred Wilkinson

Tue 27th 10am St. Joseph's John & Marian Milligan *followed by Exposition & Confessions*

Wed 28th 9am St. Peter's In Thanks for 60th Wedding Anniversary

Vigil of St. Peter and St. Paul - 7pm St. Joseph's For one sick

Thurs 29th 9am St. Peter's Sr. Teresa Joseph Barrett SHCJ

10am St. Joseph's Harry Harper followed by the Holy Rosary

2pm School Sick and retired Priests

Weekend 1st / 2nd July - 13th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Sat 1st 6pm St. Joseph's Catherine Gordon

Sun 2nd 9:15am St. Joseph's People of the Parishes

Sun 2nd July 10:30am St. Peter's Robin Upton

Sacrament of Reconciliation with Exposition:

No Exposition or Confessions at St. Peter's this week. Tues: 10:30 - 11am at St. Joseph's

Confession is also available by arrangement with Fr. Peter. Tel: 737037.

We gather to celebrate the Eucharist aware that we meet Jesus Christ in word and sacrament; through him we receive the free gift of God's grace.

1st Reading Jeremiah 20:10-13 - The prophet Jeremiah speaks of the terror that is all around him, but praises the Lord who defends his cause and protects him.

2nd Reading Romans 5:12-15 - St. Paul tells of how the sin of Adam is overcome by the grace that comes to us in Jesus Christ.

Gospel Matthew 10:26-33 - Jesus instructs his disciples about their mission, reminding them not to be afraid.

MESSAGE FROM FR. PETER: This week on Thursday we celebrate the Solemnity of the Great Saints Peter, Apostle to the Jews, and Paul, Apostle to the Gentiles. Whilst Christ himself called Peter the 'rock' upon which the Church was to be built, in truth, both of these Apostles are great rocks of the Church; they are at the origin of her faith and remain to this day two of her greatest saints. I am sure we are all familiar with the lives of Peter, the fisherman who became the leader of Christ's chosen Apostles, eventually taking the Church from Jerusalem to Rome and becoming the first Pope. Paul was a persecutor of the Church, until being called by God to use his passions for the preaching of the Gospel of Jesus. And both were killed for their ministry. St. Peter suffered martyrdom under Nero, in A.D. 66 or 67, and was buried on the hill of the Vatican where excavations have revealed his tomb on the very site of the Basilica of St. Peter's. St. Paul was beheaded 'outside the walls' of Rome, where is now the basilica which bears his name. In a sermon in the year 395, St. Augustine of Hippo said of SS. Peter and Paul: 'Both apostles share the same feast day, for these two were one; and even though they suffered on different days, they were as one. Peter went first, and Paul followed. And so we celebrate this day made holy for us by the apostles' blood. Let us embrace what they believed, their life, their labours, their sufferings, their preaching, and their confession of faith.' And Amen to that. Masses are at the Holy Day times of 7pm Vigil on Wednesday evening at SJ's, Thursday morning at SP's at 9am, and SJ's at 10am, and I shall be celebrating Mass for the children in school in the afternoon. Incidentally, *why did St. Peter call the chiropodist? Because there was something wrong with heaven's gait. I'll get my coat...*

TODAY (25th) special collection - "Peter's Pence".

'Thank You'

Collection Sunday 18th June : **£348.20.**
 Day for Life: **£107.40.**

Many thanks to all who contributed.

FYLDE FOOD BANK: all food is welcome for the food bank, and donations can be brought to Church at any Mass, but we have also been asked to request Toiletries, of all descriptions, including Ladies toiletries, as well as items for babies. Everything is gratefully accepted and goes straight to where it is needed.

Many thanks in anticipation.

**MASS AND ANOINTING OF THE SICK
AND TEA & CHAT:**

After chit chat with various people and hearing opinions, it was suggested that **First Friday's** are the best date for our Anointing of the Sick Mass and Tea & Chat. I have also been asked to be available for confessions beforehand. So the next **Healing Mass with Tea & Chat is Friday 7th July at 2pm at SJ's. All Welcome.**

FROM LISE CROSS

I am going to Fatima on Pilgrimage on Saturday 1st July. If you have any prayer intentions please let me have them ASAP. If you would like me to light a candle, please put your donation in a sealed envelope clearly marked so I know not to burn with the prayer intentions. I will be praying for St. Peter's and St. Joseph's. *Lise Cross*

FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK:

Please continue to pray for: Jennie Antoine, Anne Jones, Graham Bentley, Fred & Mary Wylie, Anne Smith, Kath Hywel-Buckley, Joe Ainsworth, John Lavelle, Jean Bolton, Tony Bolton, Phoebe Rowlings, Patrick Gilligan, Michael Golowicz, Brian Craig, Greta Turner, and all those in the Hospice, Hospital, Rest Homes & Convents. **May God give them His healing grace.**

FROM EDWARD SHAKESPEARE -
Please save the date!!!

On the evening of 16th July, I will be holding an Italian themed evening in the Church Hall with pizza, quizzes and a pasta making demo. All proceeds will go towards my trip with the Lancaster Youth helper section of the pilgrimage to Lourdes.

ALL WELCOME.

BEREAVEMENT:

At whatever stage you are at in your Bereavement journey it can feel a very lonely place. Dealing with the loss of a loved one. Whenever you feel the need to talk don't be afraid to reach out and ask for help from those who care. For those of you on the St. Joseph's Care website there is also help if you go into External Resources where you will find Bereavement support. *J.Varney.*

**Responsorial Psalm for
12th Sunday in Ordinary Time
and the response is:
"IN YOUR GREAT LOVE,
ANSWER ME, O GOD"**

FROM DAISY McINDOE

After being unable to go in 2020 due to the pandemic, I am looking forward to joining the pilgrimage to Lourdes with the Lancaster Diocese as a youth helper from the 20th - 29th of July.

I will be fundraising to cover part of the cost of the trip, by swimming 1 mile at Capernwray Quarry.

I'd be very grateful for any donations and would be more than happy to take any of your petitions with me to Lourdes.

The link to my Just giving page is below, but there will also be a sponsorship form available at church.

https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/daisy-mcindoe?utm_term=bYP4kgxn8

Please pray for all who have died recently -
Joan Winifred Wilkinson and those whose anniversaries occur at about this time:

Michael Hogan, Betty McMurray, William Kenyon, Patricia Greaves, Alice Houston, Ivy Bibby, Lee Duffy, Mary Stanning, Bernard Eccles, Sister Alberta, Mary Ingham, Peter Postlethwaite, Phyllis Rooney, Len Kyte, Stan Knowles Jnr., Michael & Margaret Lavelle, Eileen Abbott, Raymond Eaves, Sr. Agnes Marie Joy CP., Syd Chesney, Michael Cross.
May their souls rest in peace. Amen.

Sanctuary Lamp Bookings -
Red Lamp: "For all those in peril on the sea"

Blue Lamp: "Phoebe"

To book, email Sue on info@stpeterslytham.co.uk (or speak to her). Suggested **minimum** donation - £5 each lamp. **Sue has spare dates to offer in the lamps' booking diary so will be looking forward to hearing from you!**

GIFT AID

If any taxpayer who isn't already signed up for Gift Aid would like to do so, please contact Deacon Michael. It is quite painless and a great help to the parish.

Summer BBQ PLUS! at SJ's Church Garden. BBQ, Stalls, Games, & Fun in the church gardens on Sat 15th July between 11am & 3pm £1 per person. Entrance tickets on sale at the back of church, and each ticket gets you an entry into the Grand Raffle! Everyone welcome.