

NEWSLETTER

ST PETER'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

CLIFTON STREET, LYTHAM, FY8 5EP Parish Website www.stpeterslytham.co.uk FOR



Sunday 18th September 2022, 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year 'C'
Parish Priest: Rev Peter D. Clarke - 01253 737037

Deacons: Rev Michael Harrison - 01253 730508 & Rev William Riley (Retired)

Message from Fr. Peter:

Firstly, many thanks for the wonderful welcome I was given last week. As I said, it is a great gift and honour to be asked to be Parish Priest of these two beautiful thriving congregations and Churches. And what a first week it has been. Amid all the unpacking and sorting out 'Woodland Mansions' (I'll probably be still writing that in five years' time), it's been lovely starting to meet and get to know everyone, including all the lovely sisters in our various communities. Sunday saw me with the Mayor on the steps of St. Annes Town Hall, praying for our new King, which was a somewhat unexpected addition to the weekend! On Wednesday I celebrated a lovely Mass in our school with Year 1, and a weekly Mass in school will now become part of a regular timetable, and from next half term (once we all know what we are doing), in addition to the regular masses, that mass will be open to everyone, so watch this space. Next week we will be joined by the whole school at mass on Wednesday at 9am in St. Peter's for a beginning of Year Mass, and please also note that next Monday, the 9am Mass at St. Peter's I will be celebrating a Requiem Mass for Queen Elizabeth II. All in all it's been a lovely first week, and huge thanks to you all for making it so.

The Death of Queen Elizabeth II. As the nation comes to terms with the death of her Majesty, Cardinal Nichols said, 'On 21st April 1947, on her twenty-first birthday, Princess Elizabeth said, 'I declare before you all that my whole life, whether it be long or short, shall be devoted to your service.' Now, seventy-five years later, we are heartbroken in our loss at her death, and so full of admiration for the unfailing way in which she fulfilled that declaration.' May she rest in peace. And God save the King!' As noted above, we will celebrate our own Requiem Mass for the Queen on Monday morning at St. Peter's at 9am. All welcome.

Congratulations to Mr. David Pope who last Saturday at the Cathedral in Lancaster received the Order of Acolyte. We look forward to seeing him around our sanctuaries, as he continues his journey to the Diaconate to serve in our Parishes.

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today we are reminded that we are called to respond to God urgently. The Lord's call to us reaches into our everyday lives, even in unlikely and unexpected circumstances.

First Reading *Amos 8:4-7* We are called to follow the way of God's goodness in our everyday dealings with money and possessions.

Second Reading 1 Timothy 2:1-8 Christ sacrificed himself for everyone; and so we are called to pray for all, especially those in authority.

Gospel Luke *16:1-13* We are urged to respond to the Gospel as quickly as a person in business responds to a financial crisis.

Mass Times and Intentions.

Saturday 17th 6pm St. Joseph's Marie Gillett

Sunday 18th 9:15am St. Joseph's People of the Parishes

Sunday 18th 10:30am St. Peter's Norah Short

Monday 19th 9am St. Peter's Queen Elizabeth II

Tuesday 20th 10am St. Joseph's Robert Exposition & Confessions till 11am

Wednesday 21st 9am St. Peter's Frank Cottam Exposition & Confessions till 10am

Thursday 22nd 10am St. Joseph's Mike French

Saturday 25th 6pm St. Joseph's People of the Parishes

Sunday 26th 9:15am St. Joseph's Peter Dennis Cocker

Sunday 26th 10:30am St. Peter's Ian Cross.

'Thank You'

Collection Sunday 11th September: £498.10.
Catholic Education Service: £217.00.

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"In loving memory of Stephen Stainton"

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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, Margaret Fearn, Jean Bolton, Tony Bolton, Phoebe Rowlings, Patrick Gilligan, Robin Upton, Michael Golowicz, Brian Craig, and all those in the Hospice, Hospital, Rest Homes & Convents. May God give them His healing grace.

Responsorial Psalm for 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time and the response is:

PRAISE THE LORD, WHO RAISES THE POOR.

This week's Feast & Memorials:

Mon: St. Theodore of Canterbury, Bishop (Nat Calendar). St. Januarius, Bishop & Martyr. Tues: Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest &

Paul Chong Ha-sang, layman, & Companions, Martyrs of Korea (Memorial).

Wed: St. Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist (Feast). Fri: St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest (Memorial).

Sat: Our Lady of Walsingham (Nat Calendar - Memorial).

TODAY there will be a Special Collection for Home Mission Day.

REMINDER - Next Sunday (25/9) Collection for Bishop's Administration Fund.

ANNIVERSARIES occurring at about this time:

Sigmund Boceska, Jenny Turner, Richard Brookbank, Ann Roe, Julia Simpson, Anne Murphy, John North, Malcolm McMullen, Susan Southern, George Robinson, John T. Hoyle, Edward Ashton, Moira Adamson, Lawrence McNamee, Billy Taylor, Kneale Hodson, Sr. Elizabeth Kane, Eileen McKenna, Maurice Rawcliffe, John Dawson, Sheila Burns, Kitty North, Simon Hill, Nora Smith, Kenneth McKeown, Albion Gee, Yvonne Talbutt, Rosanna Delizzos, Stephen Stainton, Ken Woods, Gerry Lee. May they rest in peace. Amen.

Helpers for Coffee Mornings

We would very much like to have coffee after Mass on a regular basis, possibly with a rota of volunteers. If you would like to help, please speak to Sue Shakespeare, or email her at info@stpeterslytham.co.uk. Please!