



The Parishes of St. Anne, Ormskirk & St. Elizabeth, Scarisbrick

Registered Charity no. 1063237

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TODAY'S RETIRING
COLLECTION:

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NEW PARISH OFFICE HOURS at St Elizabeth's:
Tuesdays 8am – 11am & Fridays 10am – 11am

3 Dec 2017

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Readings: Is 63:16-17, 19; 64:2-7; Ps 70:2-3, 15-16, 18-19; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Mk 13:33-37.

St. Anne's:

St. Elizabeth's:

Sat	2	6.00pm	Winifred Swift		
Sun	3	9.00am 10.30am 4.30pm	<i>Christmas Fair in P/Centre today</i> Steven, Stan & Kateryna Bobelac <i>All Parishioners Blessing of cribs during Mass</i> Michael Scanlon	9.30am	Charlie Culshaw <i>Blessing of cribs during Mass</i>
Mon	4	9.30am	<i>No Morning Prayer</i> <i>St Anne's Whole School Mass in church</i> In Thanksgiving		
Tue	5	11.45am Noon	<i>St John Almond</i> <i>Midday Prayer</i> John Damian Berry		<i>St John Almond</i>
Wed	6	7.30pm	<i>Exploring Catholic Faith (in P/Centre Lounge)</i>	9.30am	Andrew Horner
Thu	7	11.00am Noon	<i>St Ambrose</i> <i>Holy Hour followed by Midday Prayer</i> Fr Basil Walker		<i>St Ambrose</i>
Fri	8	Earlier Mass Time 9.15am	<i>Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i> <i>(No Morning Prayer)</i> Michael & John Lee	Earlier Mass Time 9.00am	<i>Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i> <i>(No Morning Prayer)</i> Ivan O'Keefe
Sat	9	11.15am Noon 5.15pm 6.00pm	<i>Reconciliation & Exposition</i> Colette Corkill <i>Reconciliation</i> Monica & James Reynolds		

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Dear Parishioners

'Happy Advent,' was her parting comment. 'She' was Sr Marie Therese at Maryton Carmel in Liverpool. I had called to buy some Christmas cards. 'What does Advent mean to you, Sister?' was my retort. She needed little prompting as she spoke about Advent being her favourite season in the year and how she loved having the opportunity to go deeper into Isaiah and having the space to ponder on God coming into our world. 'Fancy that! God coming down to us ...'.

Pope Francis has spoken about Advent being a time that emphasises hope: 'Hope can seem distant ... "out there" somewhere. But the call to feel it is a call to bring it in close, and to warm yourself by that fire'.

It sometimes takes simple reflections to make us stop and think and do! A suggestion for Advent: let's try to spend a few moments every day reading a few lines from the Scriptures and pondering on them. This might just be one way in which we can warm ourselves by the fire of hope.

Godric OSB

St. Anne's Church Front Door

Some parishioners, who wish to remain anonymous, have very kindly arranged for the church to have new front doors. Work will begin on the installation of the doors from Monday 11 December. The front entrance will be closed for a few days whilst the work takes place and during this time the side doors will be used. The church will still be open as usual during this time.

St. Anne's Pastoral Centre unless stated otherwise.

Sun 3 Dec St. Anne's Parish Fair from 10am.
Mon 4 Dec Monday Club Christmas Meal at O'Brien's.
Tue 5 Dec Prayer Group: 9.30am; BINGO: 7.30pm.
Wed 6 Dec Exploring Catholic Faith: please see below.
Sun 10 Dec St Anne's With You Always meeting: please see under St. Anne's News.
Tue 12 Dec Bereavement Support in St Anne's Church at 1.30 till 2.30pm.
Wed 13 Dec UCM Christmas Party at 7.30pm.

Anniversaries (Last 10 yrs up to Sat 9 Dec 2017).

St. Anne: Mary Timpson, John Malone, Leslie Wood, David Dunbell, Helen Nolan, Audrey Watson, Mary Patricia Gaskill, John (Tony) Croft, Constance Rimmer, Paul Cain, George Banks, Edna Coleman, Kenneth Reid, Ellen (Nellie) Staniforth, Dennis Walmsley, Bernard Brady, Margaret (Rita) Mary Allen.



St. Elizabeth: Norman Olverson, Margaret Whalley, Andrew Horner.

Please pray for the sick in our parishes:

St. Anne: Georgia Addy, Sharon Addy, Mark Bober, Martin Culkin, Anne Corrin, David Corrin, Isabelle English, Carolyn Fay, Margaret Johnston, Charles Kuhwald, Rob Molloy, Jim Pierce, Mary Sawyer, Valerie Swinnerton, Kathleen Thorpe, Stephen Wilson.

St. Elizabeth: Mark Bretherton, Gaynor Foster, Susan Foster, John Houghton, Josie Prescott, Marie Savage, Margaret Wright.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Mgr Bill Dalton who died recently.

EXPLORE CATHOLIC FAITH

The next meeting takes place in St Anne's Pastoral Centre Lounge on Wednesday **6 December** at 7.30pm (tea & coffee from 7.15pm)

Bereavement Support

St Anne's Church Tuesday 12 December
1.30pm till 2.30pm

Edge Hill study

Researchers at Edge Hill University are looking for participants to take part in a paid study on Jury Decision making. If you are aged 18 - 75 and would like to take part, please contact Saqba Batool on batools@edgehill.ac.uk. The study will take 20 - 30 minutes and will be by appointment made at your convenience.

Peter Mawtus

Amplify Youth Group needs your help.

We are hoping to win a grant from Aviva Community Fund. This money will help us to purchase equipment for our youth group. To vote and help us, please follow the link <https://community-fund.aviva.co.uk/voting/project/view/17-654>

Mike Price

Liverpool Archdiocesan Lourdes Youth Pilgrimage

Each July over 450 volunteers aged between 15 and 21, from the Liverpool Archdiocese, serve sick, elderly and frail people in Lourdes. There is still space on the coach for young people from our parish in year 10 or above. For more information contact Clare Guidi on c.guidi@sbchs.org <http://www.animateyouth.org>

Pastoral Area Newsletter

Please collect a copy of your Pastoral Area Newsletter from the back of Church. In addition to details of services throughout our Pastoral Area over Advent and Christmas, there are articles from around the Pastoral Area. If you know someone who cannot get to Mass, but would like to be updated on what is going on, please take an extra copy for them too, or anyone else who you think may be interested. *Peter Mawtus*

CAFOD FUN RUN

Wavertree Athletics Centre, L15 4LE

Wednesday 27 December at 1pm

Entry £7 or £15 for a Family

Please raise sponsorship money for Cafod's work.

Contact liverpool@cafod.org.uk or ring 0151 228 4028 for details

Stephen Cooke

Marriage Preparation Facilitators

If you would like to become a Facilitator, please contact us for more information & an application form.

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ST ELIZABETH'S NEWS:

Chatsworth House: The trip to Chatsworth House is **Friday 8th December**. The coach will leave **St. Elizabeth's at 9.30am**, and **St. Anne's around 9.45am**. We will leave Chatsworth around **4.30pm**. Please can any outstanding balances be paid as soon as possible. Cheques made payable to 'St Elizabeth's Scarisbrick' please. Many thanks, Mary.

Dates for Diary:

17th December @ 4pm Junior Nativity and Christingle Service

22nd December @ 7pm Family Carol Service

ST ANNE'S NEWS:

With You Always Sacramental Programme: The next meeting for parents & children takes place on Sunday 10 December, either following on from 10.30am Mass or at 3.15pm before the 4.30pm Mass.

Please ring Joe or Margaret on 01695 570212 if Frances Forshaw knitted a child's hat for you.

Joe Forshaw

UCM: Wed 13th Dec UCM Christmas Party evening in PC at 7.30p.m.

Pat Harwood

Parish Office: St Anne's parish office will be closed on Friday 8th December.

Parish Fair – Today, 3rd December after 9.00 a.m. Mass

Many thanks to you all for the donations for the Parish Fair. All we need now, to make the Fair a success is your presence. Please come along and have a browse - have a go on the stalls, or find a bargain on the Good as New stall. You can get your Christmas cards from the church shop which will be in the Parish Centre and gifts from the shop, the sewing and knitting Group and the Sreepur Children's Village in Bangladesh. There will be games for children with a Chocolate Tombola, Spin a Wheel etc. Tea and coffee will also be available.