



The Parish Church of St. Peter, Chorley



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15th May 2022.
5th Sunday of Easter.

We join with the whole world praying for Ukraine as the people there continue to resist invasion.

Prayer for Today

Loving God, fill my heart with the love you freely give. Make love my first and last thoughts. May I love others and freely give to them. Make my spirit a spirit of joy, happiness, and love for both my friends and my enemies. Help me love abundantly as you have loved me. **Amen**

CAN YOU HELP?

Hall Bookings Co-Ordinator- We are urgently looking for someone to manage the bookings for our hall. This is an occasional role when required. If you feel God is calling you to this role, please speak to Carol- Churchwarden. Thank You.

Chorley Foodbank- This week, donations of **Teabags, Tuna, Tinned Spaghetti, Long life milk** are desperately needed: please put any donations at the back of church. Thank you!!

Activity packs for hospitalised children: Please check the collection box at the back of church for more information of what is required. All donations gratefully received.

Stamp collection- Please bring any used stamps to church and put them in the box marked at the back – these go towards raising money for Multiple Sclerosis charities. **Note: please include 1cm of the envelope around the stamp!**

NOTICES

West End Restoration Works- from Tuesday 19th April until Tuesday 5th July there will be scaffolding inside and outside of our church as this urgent work is carried out. There will be some minor disruption during this time, but all church services will continue as normal in church. Thank you for your patience during this time.

APCM- Annual Parochial Church Meeting. Our meeting will take place tomorrow- **Monday 16th May at 7pm in church.** Please come along to approve the Annual Report for 2021, elect officers for the forthcoming year and hear about the exciting possibilities open to us as we commit ourselves to responding to the call of Christ on our lives and on the life of our church community and parish. We will be joined by the Rev. Steve Haskett, Diocesan Parish Renewal Lead who will address the meeting.

TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Pastoral emergency – emergency anointing/communion/baptism (24/7): 07572 901345

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May Parish Magazine- A small number of copies are available at the back of church and on-line via the church website.

Ascension Day – Thursday 26th May- A joint service will be held at **St George's church at 7.30pm.** We are invited to join St George's and St Laurence's for this service.

Chorley Good Food Club- Chorley Buddies will be opening this club at St Joseph's Parish Centre on 7th June and are looking for volunteers. If you can help, please see the poster on the notice board at the back of church or phone 01257 542367.

HYMNS

Processional	35	A new commandment
Offertory	398	Light's abode celestial Salem
Communion 1	368	Jesu the very thought of thee
Communion 2	167	Father we love you
Communion 3	434	Loving shepherd of thy sheep
Recessional	359	Jesus shall reign where e're the sun

THIS WEEKS SERVICES

Sunday 15th May- Eucharist 8am,
 Parish Eucharist-10am
Wednesday 18th May- Parish Eucharist 10am
Thursday 19th May- Morning Prayer 9am
Sunday 22nd May- Eucharist 8am
 Parish Eucharist 10am

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Rev Rebecca is having some time away from us for rest and will back on Sunday 19th June. During this time, please keep her in your prayers.

those who are sick, remembering particularly:

Derek Morgan, Derek Draper, Brenda Feeney, Alison Feeney, John Lowe, Eileen Downs, Rev Mo Baldwin, Sarah Alice (Sally) Price, Dean Haddon, Michael Hunter,

all the recently departed, especially those known to us:

those whose anniversary of death falls this week:

May 16th Alan Chew
 May 18th Elsie Fishwick, Warren Crook
 May 19th Philip Harry Theobald, Frank Whittle, Janice Widdows
 May 20th Cyril Challinor

Please do email chorleystpetersvicar@gmail.com with any prayer requests, or additions for the prayer list.

Collect

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: grant that, as by your grace going before us you put into our mind's good desires, so, by your continual help we may bring them to good effect: through Jesus Christ our risen Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

First Reading: Acts 11:1-18 Peter's Report to the Church at Jerusalem

Now the apostles and the brothers and sisters who were in Judea heard that the gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So, when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance, I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners, and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely, I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' But I replied, 'By no means, Lord, for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

Psalm 148 (1-6) Praise for God's Universal Glory

- ¹ Praise the LORD!
Praise the LORD from the heavens;
praise him in the heights!
- ² Praise him, all his angels;
praise him, all his host!
- ³ Praise him, sun and moon;
praise him, all you shining stars!
- ⁴ Praise him, you highest heavens
and you waters above the heavens!

- ⁵ Let them praise the name of the LORD,
for he commanded and they were created.
 - ⁶ He established them forever and ever;
he fixed their bounds, which cannot be passed.
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Second Reading: Revelation 21:1-6 The New Heaven and the New Earth

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them and be their God; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away." And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life."



Gospel: John 13: 31-35 The New Commandment

When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me, and as I said to the Jews so now, I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

Post-communion prayer

Eternal God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life: grant us to walk in his way, to rejoice in his truth, and to share his risen life, who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen**

Rejoice

*With the Archbishop of York
at an Open Air Eucharist at Whalley Abbey
Friday 27th May 7:30pm, doors open 6pm*

A chance for the whole Diocese and friends to come together and celebrate at this ancient place of prayer. Sing with the Cathedral Youth Choir, St Thomas' Lancaster Worship Band, Brass Band and the Blackburn Asian Christian Choir.

Let the old walls of the Abbey be filled with new song.



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Bring a folding chair, rug and a picnic to make an evening of it.

Wear something red, orange, yellow or white.

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