

The Parish Church of St. Peter, Chorley

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Sunday 9th March 2025

The first Sunday of Lent

COMING UP AT ST PETER'S

Sunday 9th March <i>1st Sunday of Lent</i>	08.00am	Holy Eucharist
	10.00am	Parade - Service of the Word.
	6.00pm	Youth Group (Meeting Room)
Wednesday 12th March	10.00am	Holy Eucharist
	7.00pm	Lent Home Group (St Peter's vicarage)
Thursday 13th March	9.30am	Morning Prayer & Breakfast.
Sunday 16th March	08:00am	Holy Eucharist
	10.00am	Parish Eucharist

NOTICES & DATES FOR THE DIARY.

Weekly Lent Home Groups: On Wednesday 12th March, our Home Group, studying Bishop Philip's Lent Course, "**Hear Our Prayer**", will begin at 7pm in the vicarage. Please sign the sheet at the back of the church or send a message to Fr Cornelius if you would like to join us.

Morning Prayer and Breakfast: From 13th March, we will have Morning Prayer on Thursdays from 9.30am to 10am, followed by a light breakfast in the church during the Lent season. Please sign the sheet or message Fr Cornelius for catering purposes.

Breakfast in the Vicarage will be back on Sunday 6th April at 8.45am. Please sign up for catering purposes.

An Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Saturday 19th April, everyone is invited, especially children.

Confirmation at St Peter's will take place on **Sunday 13th July at 3pm**. Anyone in Year 6 or above, including adults, who would like to be confirmed, please speak to Fr Cornelius. Confirmation classes will be held on Saturday mornings at 9am on the following dates: 3rd May, 10th May, 17th May, 24th May, (no class on 31st May), 7th June & 14th June.

Electoral Roll - This year we will be preparing a new Electoral Roll, which happens every six years. This means that everyone who would like to be on the Electoral Roll for St Peter's Church must apply before Friday 28th March,

CONTACT DETAILS

Emergency requiring a priest - Fr. Neil on 07980 872203

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whether you have applied to be on the Electoral Roll before or not. Electoral Roll forms are available in the weekly news email, or a paper copy can be found at the back of church.

Lent Devotional Booklets – these are now available from the back of church.

Opportunities for Young People:

Abide Firm Foundations
Saturday, March 29th at St Michael's School, Chorley from 1.30pm to 7.30pm. Open to 11–17-year-olds. This event will let young people explore life with Jesus through games, singing, food, drinks, cakes, and various fun workshops and activities. If interested, see Kim Kerr.

Walsingham - Free Taster Weekend

Friday 2nd May from 5pm to Sunday 4th May lunchtime. Hosted by St Christopher with St Nicholas Church, Blackpool. Open to Year 6 and above, this event offers a preview of the Walsingham Youth Pilgrimage week. It includes various activities over two days; participants need a sleeping bag and a change of clothes. Interested individuals in Year 6 and above, please contact Kim Kerr.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Israel, Palestine, Ukraine, Afghanistan, Syria, Sudan, and all places affected by warfare, violence or state oppression.

Those who have asked for our prayers:

the Rev'd Mo Baldwin, Pam McLoughlin, Dorothy Kerr, Beryl Diggles, Dot Bolan, Roy Wilding, Margaret Almond, Debbie Cope.

all recently departed, especially those known to us;

Steve Nevitt

those who we remember at this time:

Ethel Glover, Harry Cocker, Enid Jones, Christopher James Pollard, Barbara Hindley, Byron Sargeant, Geneen Hall, Maud Holland, Marjorie Martin, Hazel Ollerton, Peter Smith, Marlene Bond, Norman Wall, Ethel Parker, Peggy Sutcliffe, Emma Kate Lancaster, Thomas Parker, Charles Walker (Priest).

To allow for privacy, names are not added on to the sick or departed lists unless requested and permission from the person named is given.

To add a name onto our prayer or memorial lists, please email chorleystp.office@gmail.com



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Collect

Let us pray

Heavenly Father, your Son battled with the powers of darkness, and grew closer to you in the desert: help us to use these days to grow in wisdom and prayer that we may witness to your saving love in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

We sit to attend to the scriptures

Liturgy of the Word

The Reading: Romans 10.8b-13 (International Children's Bible)

This is what the Scripture says: "God's teaching is near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart. That is the teaching of faith that we tell. If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and if you believe in your heart that God raised Jesus from death, then you will be saved. We believe with our hearts, and so we are made right with God. And we declare with our mouths to say that we believe, and so we are saved. As the Scripture says, "Anyone who trusts in him will never be disappointed. That Scripture says "anyone" because there is no difference between Jew and non-Jew. The same Lord is the Lord of all and gives many blessings to all who trust in him. The Scripture says, "Anyone who asks the Lord for help will be saved.

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

All stand for the Gospel

The Holy Gospel | Luke 4.1-13

Praise to you O Christ, King of eternal glory.
*Seek good and not evil so that you may live,
and that the Lord God of hosts may really be with you.*
Praise to you O Christ, King of eternal glory

The Lord be with you
And also with you.

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord

Jesus Is Tempted by the Devil

Jesus, filled with the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan River. The Spirit led Jesus into the desert where the devil tempted Jesus for 40 days. Jesus ate nothing during that time. When those days were ended, he was very hungry.

The devil said to Jesus, "If you are the Son of God, tell this rock to become bread."

Jesus answered, "It is written in the Scriptures: 'A person does not live only by eating bread. Then the devil took Jesus and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time. The devil said to Jesus, "I will give you all these kingdoms and all their power and glory. It has all been given to me, and I can give it to anyone I wish. If you worship me, all will be yours." Jesus answered, "It is written in the Scriptures: 'You must worship the Lord your God. Serve only him! Then the devil led Jesus to Jerusalem and put him on a high place of the Temple. He said to Jesus, "If you are the Son of God, jump off! It is written in the Scriptures:

'He has put his angels in charge of you.

They will watch over you.'

'They will catch you with their hands.

And you will not hit your foot on a rock

Jesus answered, "But it also says in the Scriptures: 'Do not test the Lord your God.

After the devil had tempted Jesus in every way, he went away to wait until a better time.

This is the gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Post-communion prayer

Lord God, you have renewed us with the living bread from heaven; by it you nourish our faith, increase our hope, and strengthen our love: teach us always to hunger for him who is the true and living bread, and enable us to live by every word that proceeds from out of your mouth; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen



Please join us for refreshments after the service.