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Sunday 30th November 2025

The 1st Sunday of Advent

COMING UP AT ST PETER'S

Sunday 30th November	08:00am	Holy Eucharist
	10:00am	Parish Eucharist
Wednesday 3rd December Sunday 7th December	10:00am	Holy Eucharist
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	10:00am	Parish Eucharist
	6:00pm	Youth Group

Advent Devotionals are now available from the back of church. An online version can be downloaded from:
<https://www.blackburn.anglican.org>

Advent Quiet Morning – Monday 1st December 9am-12pm. Led by Fr Eddie Carr. Please let Fr Cornelius know if you wish to join.

Daily Prayer & Quiet Space - throughout Advent, on Tuesday evenings 4.30-5pm and Wednesday mornings from 8.45-9.15am. An opportunity to pause, pray & prepare for Christmas.

Annual Christmas Fair & Tree Festival on Saturday 6th December from 10am to 2pm. For bookings and enquiries please contact the Church Warden Ronnie Hunter. Email: ron.hunter@hotmail.co.uk or message: 07986 671390.

MU would welcome **donations of baked or made goods for the Parish cake stall**, at the Christmas Fair, please accompany the goods with a note regarding may contain nuts and any other allergens.

St Michael's Community Carol Concert – Wednesday 10th December at 6.30pm here in St Peter's. All are welcome to attend.

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, Beryl Diggles, Dot Bolan, Debbie Cope, Thelma Warburton, Jeff Morgan, Cassie Wilson, Amanda Smith, Alfred Ian Isherwood, Oliver, Leo, Maya. Sheila Wood, Dorothy Treadwell.

All recently departed: Thomas Kerr, Dorothy Kerr.

those who we remember at this time:

Elmar Reine, Elizabeth Yeaman, William Kenneth Read, Kenneth Sanderson, John McGinty, Roy Berry.

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

Donations are welcome towards flowers in church for the Christmas season. There is a box at the back of church for any donations.

Lego Church – Starts on Saturday 13th December 2025 at 9.00 am. A brilliant hour where your little ones can build, play, and discover Bible stories with heaps of Lego! We'll tuck into a light breakfast together, and parents are warmly invited to stay, chat, and join the creativity.

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Collect

Let us pray

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility; that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

We sit to attend to the scriptures

Liturgy of the Word

The Reading | Romans 13.11-end

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans

And do this, understanding the present time: The hour has already come for you to wake up from your slumber, because our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed. ¹²The night is nearly over; the day is almost here. So let us put aside the deeds of darkness and put on the armour of light. ¹³Let us behave decently, as in the daytime, not in carousing and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and debauchery, not in dissension and jealousy. ¹⁴Rather, clothe yourselves with the Lord Jesus Christ, and do not think about how to gratify the desires of the flesh.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

All stand for the Gospel

The Holy Gospel – Matthew 24.36-44

Alleluia, alleluia.

Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight, and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.

Alleluia

The Lord be with you

And also with you.

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

Glory to you, O Lord

“But about that day or hour no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son¹ but only the Father. ³⁷As it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. ³⁸For in the days before the flood, people

were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day Noah entered the ark; ³⁹and they knew nothing about what would happen until the flood came and took them all away. That is how it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. ⁴⁰Two men will be in the field; one will be taken and the other left. ⁴¹Two women will be grinding with a hand mill; one will be taken and the other left.

⁴²“Therefore keep watch, because you do not know on what day your Lord will come. ⁴³But understand this: If the owner of the house had known at what time of night the thief was coming, he would have kept watch and would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁴So you also must be ready, because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him.

This is the gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Post-communion prayer

O Lord our God, make us watchful and keep us faithful as we await the coming of your Son our Lord; that, when he shall appear, he may not find us sleeping in sin but active in his service and joyful in his praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



Please join us for refreshments after the service.

