

# The Parish Church of St. Peter, Chorley

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## Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2026

The Second Sunday after Epiphany

### COMING UP AT ST PETER'S

Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> January	8am	Holy Eucharist
	10am	Parish Eucharist
	6pm	Youth Group
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> January	10am	Holy Eucharist
Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup> January	8am	Holy Eucharist
	10am	Parish Eucharist
	1pm	Holy Baptism.

### WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY 2026

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2026 @ 3pm Service of Prayer at **St. Mary's Church, Mount Pleasant, Chorley**. All are very welcome.

The next Lego Church will be held on Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> January at 9am.

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### 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, Jeff Morgan, Cassie Wilson, Amanda Smith, Sheila Wood, Dorothy Treadwell, Joan Baxendale, Joe Warburton, Kim and Cole Leighton & family.

#### **All recently departed:**

#### **those who we remember at this time:**

Joan Woods, Alan Porter, Margaret Hardman, Beatrice Rowling, Horace Jones, Arnold Blackledge, Elsie Abbott, Amy Jackson, Gary Smith, Joan Robinson, Albert Garstang, Kenneth Bond, Jessie Parsons, Norma Radcliffe, Shirley Louise Davies, John Riding, Alice Lishman, Margaret MacDonald, Joseph Bonehill, William Carr.

**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 [chorlevstp.office@gmail.com](mailto:chorlevstp.office@gmail.com)



## HYMNS

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### Collect

Let us pray

Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new: transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, 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*

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### Liturgy of the Word

#### The Reading | I Corinthians 1.1-9

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes,

To the church of God in Corinth, to those sanctified in Christ Jesus and called to be his holy people, together with all those everywhere who call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ—their Lord and ours: Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I always thank my God for you because of his grace given you in Christ Jesus. For in him you have been enriched in every way—with all kinds of speech and with all knowledge— God thus confirming our testimony about Christ among you. Therefore, you do not lack any spiritual gift as you eagerly wait for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed. He will also keep you firm to the end, so that you will be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful, who has called you into fellowship with his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

This is the Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

*All stand for the Gospel*

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#### The Holy Gospel – John 1.29-42

Alleluia, alleluia.

The Word was made flesh and lived among us: to all who did accept him he gave power to become children of God.

**Alleluia**

The Lord be with you

**And also with you.**

*Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.*

**Glory to you, O Lord**

The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, “Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! This is the one I meant when I said, ‘A man who comes after me has surpassed me because he was before me.’”

I myself did not know him, but the reason I came baptizing with water was that he might be revealed to Israel.” Then John gave this testimony: “I saw the Spirit come down from heaven as a dove and remain on him. And I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water told me, ‘The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and remain is the one who will baptize with the Holy Spirit.’ I have seen and I testify that this is God’s Chosen One.”

The next day John was there again with two of his disciples. When he saw Jesus passing by, he said, “Look, the Lamb of God!”

When the two disciples heard him say this, they followed Jesus. Turning around, Jesus saw them following and asked, “What do you want?”

They said, “Rabbi” (which means “Teacher”), “where are you staying?” “Come,” he replied, “and you will see.”

So they went and saw where he was staying, and they spent that day with him. It was about four in the afternoon. Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, was one of the two who heard what John had said and who had followed Jesus. The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother Simon and tell him, “We have found the Messiah” (that is, the Christ). And he brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You will be called Cephas” (which, when translated, is Peter).

This is the Gospel of the Lord

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

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### Post-communion prayer

God of glory, you nourish us with your Word who is the bread of life: fill us with your Holy Spirit that through us the light of your glory may shine in all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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### Diocesan Centenary Prayer

**Heavenly Father, in our Centenary year we rededicate ourselves and our Diocese to you. Send the Holy Spirit to give us confidence in our witness, generosity in our service, and love for our neighbours, that your Church may be renewed and many come home to you, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

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**Please join us for refreshments after the service.**