

The Parish Church of St. Peter, Chorley

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Sunday 24th May 2026

Pentecost

COMING UP AT ST Peters'

Sunday 24 th May Pentecost	8am	Holy Eucharist
	10am	Parish Eucharist with APCM
	1pm	Holy Baptism
	6pm	Youth Group
Wednesday 27 th May	9am	Morning Prayer
	10am	Holy Eucharist
	5pm	Evening Prayer
Sunday 31 st May Trinity Sunday	8am	Holy Eucharist
	10am	Parish Eucharist

Notices.

Our APCM will take place on 24th May during the 10am Parish Eucharist.

From May 18th – Morning prayer will be held at 9am and Evening Prayer at 5pm, every Wednesday in St Peter's.

Confirmation takes place on Sunday 12th July at 4pm. The confirmation rehearsal will be on Saturday 11th July at 9am.

Confirmation classes will be on Sunday evenings from 31st May – 5th July. If you are adult who would like to be confirmed please speak to Fr Cornelius.

Walking Day this year takes place on Sunday 28th June starting 12pm from Cunliffe Street.

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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, Cassie Wilson, Amanda Smith, Dorothy Treadwell, Joan Baxendale, Joe Warburton, Kim and Cole Leighton & family.

Those being baptized: Jaxon and Sophia Springer, Elsie Duckworth, and we pray for their parents, Godparents & Sponsors.

All recently departed: Jeff Morgan, Dorothy Elizabeth McCarrick, Brenda Green, Lena Oliver.

those who we remember at this time: Lilly Pilkington, Linda Whittle, Clifford Robinson, Susan Green, Frederick Green, Ken Turkington, Isabel Mayor, Mildred Alice Pearce, Susan Eltman, Christine Scofield, Lily Kerfoot, Melissa Jane Woods, Lilian Godwin, Agnes Wells, Alan Elsdon, Hilda Miller, Derek Hicks.

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.

PASTORAL VISITS & HOME COMMUNION

If you, a member of your family, or a friend would value a pastoral visit or would like to receive Holy Communion at home, please do get in touch with Fr. Cornelius directly.

BLACKBURN 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.

Collect.

God, who as at this time taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, 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 First Reading | Acts 2.1-21

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken. Utterly amazed, they asked: "Aren't all these who are speaking Galileans? Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome (both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!" Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, "What does this mean?"

Some, however, made fun of them and said, "They have had too much wine."

Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: "Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It's only nine in the morning! No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:

"In the last days, God says,

I will pour out my Spirit on all people.
Your sons and daughters will prophesy,
your young men will see visions,
your old men will dream dreams.

Even on my servants, both men and women,
I will pour out my Spirit in those days,
and they will prophesy.

I will show wonders in the heavens above
and signs on the earth below,
blood and fire and billows of smoke.

The sun will be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood

before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord.
And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.'

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

All stand for the Gospel

The Holy Gospel: John 7.37-39

Alleluia, alleluia.

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.

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

On the last and greatest day of the festival, Jesus stood and said in a loud voice, "Let anyone who is thirsty come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them." By this he meant the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were later to receive. Up to that time the Spirit had not been given, since Jesus had not yet been glorified.

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ.

Post-communion prayer

Faithful God, who fulfilled the promises of Easter by sending us your Holy Spirit and opening to every race and nation the way of life eternal: open our lips by your Spirit, that every tongue may tell of your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Please join us for refreshments after the service.
