

Notices for the Week: Welcome to worship today!

Our Lord's tone is solemn today, for in the preaching of the Church "the kingdom of God is at hand," the time of decision has come for every person. Those who do not receive His messengers will be doomed.

But those who believe will find peace and mercy, protection and nourishment in the bosom of the Church. The Church is a new family of faith in which we receive a new name that will endure forever, a name written in heaven.

In this week's Psalm, we sing of God's "wondrous deeds" throughout salvation history. But of all the works of God, none has been greater than what He has wrought by the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ. He has given His Church power now over "the full force of the enemy." Nothing will harm us as we make our way through the wilderness of this world, awaiting the Master of the harvest, awaiting the day when all on earth will shout joyfully to the Lord and sing praise to the glory of His name.

HUGE THANKS to all those who supported the Patronal Festival Day. Thank you to those who donated food, all who helped in the kitchen and those who helped the day run smoothly. A member of our church kindly paid for the brass band - thank you!

Unfortunately there will be no 7pm Eucharist on Wednesday 9th July.

Blessed Sacrament Lamp: Wedding Anniversary - Paul & Janet Andrews. Remembering with love.

For your prayers this week...

For the Church: that we may speak with courage and compassion in a world that longs for truth and hope.

For the world: for all suffering through war, poverty, or injustice, and for those striving for peace and justice.

For those who grieve, and for the sick and hospitalised: that they may know comfort, healing, and hope.

Please remember before God those who have **died recently...**

Edith Carver, Margaret Rose Harrison

And those whose **anniversaries** fall at this time...

The annual **Volunteers Afternoon Tea** takes place on Sunday **27th July 3pm til 5pm** at the Vicarage. All those who help in all sorts of ways to keep church life here at St Peter & St Paul's running are warmly invited.

Food hygiene training (for those involved in the cafe etc) will take place on Wednesday 27th August at 10am in church.

'Pubs & Clubs' Cricket tournament. The next match is on Friday 15th August (6pm). Please come along!

Adults interested in Confirmation - please return your forms ASAP!

Rishton Cricket Club is very generously hosting a **community fundraising day** on Sat 19th July. There'll be stalls, games, food etc. Half the proceeds will be donated to pay for the Church Tower repairs.

We'll be running a chocolate tombola - donations of chocolates of all shapes and sizes would be much appreciated.

The **Prayer list has now been update:** Please let us know of names to be included of those who are seriously ill. Thank you.

We've been invited to the **'Ready with a Reason'** teaching day at Liverpool Cathedral on Saturday 13th September (10:30am start). The charismatic Bishop Lindsay Urwin will be helping us think about how we can share our faith. If you'd like a lift please let Fr Eddie know.



Worship Today

9:00am Said Eucharist

10:30am Sung Eucharist

Entrance Hymn: 738

Offertory Hymn: 26

Communion Hymn: 310

Recessional Hymn: 394

Quote of the week:

"It is only we who brood over our sins. God does not brood over them, God dumps them at the bottom of the sea"

— St Benedict



The Parish Church of
St Peter & St Paul

Rishton

'Here for Jesus Christ & there for others'



Sunday 6th July 2025 FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The week ahead:

Date & Dedication	Prayer Intention, Services & Events
Monday 7th Feria	<i>Those in hospital</i> 7pm Eucharist
Tuesday 8th Feria	<i>Farmers</i> 9am-10am Foodbank
Wednesday 9th Feria	<i>Those who grieve</i> No Eucharist No Bell Ringing
Thursday 10th Feria	<i>Fr Mike Print - new Vicar of Langho</i> 10am Eucharist 10:40am cleaning
Friday 11th St Benedict	<i>Monks and nuns</i> 9am-11am Community Cafe
Saturday 12th Feria	<i>Married couples</i>

Next Sunday: 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time 13th July 2025

9:00am Said Eucharist

10:30am Sung Eucharist

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TODAY'S LITURGY & READINGS

The Collect

O God, who in the abasement of your Son have raised up a fallen world, fill your faithful with holy joy, for on those you have rescued from slavery to sin you bestow eternal gladness. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

First reading

Isaiah 66:10-14

A reading from the Book of Isaiah:

Thus says the Lord:
'Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her,
all you who love her;
rejoice with her in joy,
all you who mourn over her;
that you may nurse and be satisfied
from her consoling breast;
that you may drink deeply with delight
from her glorious abundance.'
For thus says the Lord:
'Behold, I will extend peace to her like a river,
and the glory of the nations like an
overflowing stream;
and you shall nurse, you shall be carried
upon her hip,
and bounced upon her knees.
As one whom his mother comforts,
so I will comfort you;
you shall be comforted in Jerusalem.
You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice;
your bones shall flourish like the grass;
and the hand of the Lord shall be known
to his servants.'

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 66(65)

The response to the Psalm:

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth.

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Cry out with joy to God, all the earth;

O sing to the glory of his name.

O render him glorious praise.

Say to God, 'How wondrous your deeds!'

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth.

'Before you all the earth shall bow down,
shall sing to you, sing to your name!'

Come and see the works of God:

his wondrous deeds among the children
of Adam.

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth.

He turned the sea into dry land;

they passed through the river on foot.

Let our joy, then, be in him;

he rules for ever by his might.

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth.

Come and hear, all who fear God;

I will tell what he did for my soul.

Blest be God, who did not reject my
prayer,

nor withhold from me his merciful love.

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth.

Second reading

Galatians 6:14-18

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Galatians:

Brothers and Sisters: Far be it from me to boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation. And as for all who walk by this rule, peace and mercy be upon them, and upon the Israel of God. From now on let no one cause me trouble, for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brothers and sisters. Amen.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation *(Please stand)*

Alleluia **Alleluia!**

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts;
let the word of Christ dwell in you richly.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 10:1-9

The Lord be with you **and also with you**
A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke **Glory to you, O Lord**

At that time: The Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him, two by two, into every town and place where he himself was about to go. And he said to them, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest. Go your way; behold, I am sending you out as lambs in the midst of wolves. Carry no money bag, no knapsack, no sandals, and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, "Peace be to this house!" And if a son of peace is there, your peace will rest upon him. But if not, it will return to you. And remain in the same house, eating and drinking what they provide, for the labourer deserves his wages. Do not go from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and they receive you, eat what is set before you. Heal the sick in it and say to them, "The kingdom of God has come near to you." '

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Communion Antiphon

Taste and see that the Lord is good;
blessed the man who seeks refuge in him.

Post Communion Prayer

Grant, we pray, O Lord, that, having been replenished by such great gifts, we may gain the prize of salvation and never cease to praise you. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen**