Holy Apostles, Rossendale

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

30th August 2026

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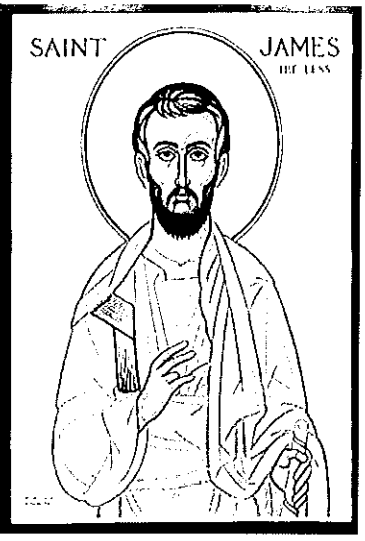

Masses in St Peter's

Tuesday 1st September	Holy Mass	9:30am
Wednesday 2nd September	**Requiem Mass**	**11:00am**
Thursday 3rd September	Holy Mass	9:30am
Saturday 5th September	Holy Mass	9:30am
Sunday 6th September	**Holy Mass**	**9.00am**

Confessions in St Peter's

Saturday 5th September 10.00am - 11.00am

Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday 5th September 10.00am - 11.00am

Readers at Mass

6th September 9.00am Tony Ronnan

Masses in St James the Less

Monday 31st August	Holy Mass	9:30am
Wednesday 2nd September	**NO Holy Mass**	
Friday 4th September	Holy Mass	9:30am
Saturday 5th September	**Vigil Mass**	**6.30pm**
Sunday 6th September	**Holy Mass**	**11.00am**

Confessions in St James the Less

Saturday 5th September 5:30pm - 6.30pm

Readers at Mass

5th September 6.30pm Dawn Winfield

6th September 11.00am Paul Swarbrick

Masses Received

Sick: *Rosanna Taylor; Roger & Ruth Dawes; Andrew Wakerley; Jean Ashworth; Jean Lewin; Claire Seymour; Lily Smith; Norma Blackburn; Derek Stephens; Beatrice Lacey; Kate Cotton; Eleanor Diver; Fr. Peter Houghton; Madeline Doherty; Norman Robinson; Paul Collins*

Lately Dead: *Bernie Nightingale*
Anniversaries: *Janet Weston, Faith Weston; Wendy Jones*
Birthday Anniversary: *Norman Jones*
Other: *For the Intentions of Chris Newton; Mass for a Special Intention*

Margaret Jackson RIP

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Margaret Jackson who has died. Margaret's Requiem Mass will be on Wednesday 2nd September at 11.00am in St Peter's. May she rest in peace. Please note: there will be no 9.30am Mass in St James the Less that morning.

Michael Brennan RIP

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Michael Brennan who has died. Michael's Funeral Service will be on Thursday 17th September at 11.30am in St James the Less. May he rest in peace. Please keep Michael and his family in your prayers

Parish Safeguarding

Please could all volunteers who help with the Children's Liturgy at St James the Less meet with Shauna Bowes after the 11am Mass on either Sunday 30th August or Sunday 6th September to renew their DBS check. Volunteers will need to bring 3 pieces of documentation with them to complete the check. A document containing their date of birth, full name and current address. Examples would be: a current passport, a current photocard driver's license; a birth certificate; a marriage certificate; a recent utility bill or bank statement. Many thanks.

Parish Lotto

This week's lottery winner is Maureen Turner - number 31. Congratulations Maureen! Please collect our winnings from Father Stamp.

Berni Nightingale RIP

We were saddened to hear that a longstanding parishioner of St James the Less and our Chair of Governors in the Primary School, Berni Nightingale has died. Please pray for the repose of Berni's soul. As of going to print, the Funeral details have not yet been finalised. May she rest in peace.

Night of Music with Duo 'Roundhouse'

Our next social night will take place on Saturday 19th September at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre at St James the Less. This is a night of live music when we welcome the duo, 'Roundhouse' to come and play a selection of popular music. There will also be a pie and pea supper and licensed bar on the night. Tickets for the night are £10 and are available at the back of both churches. This should be a really good night, so please do support it! Many thanks to the Parish Centre Committee for organising these social events for us. If you would like to get involved in organising these events, the committee is open to all.

Children's Liturgy

Our Children's Liturgy (Little Church) begins again in both churches on Sunday 6th September during the 9am Mass in St Peter's and the 11am Mass in St James the Less. Many thanks to our kind volunteers who make this possible. If you would be willing to help, please let Father Stamp or one of the volunteers know. All help gratefully received

Welcome

We welcome into the new life of grace Caleb Andrew Bridges who will be Baptised this Sunday 30th August at 12.30pm in St James the Less. Please pray for Caleb and his family.

Congratulations

Our warmest congratulations to David and Elaine Holt who married in St James the Less on Saturday. Please pray for them as they begin married life together.

First Friday Mass at All Saints

From September onwards, I will be celebrating a monthly First Friday Mass in our High School, All Saints at 8am. The first Mass is this Friday 4th September at 8.00am in All Saints. If any parishioners would like an early Mass on the First Friday you are welcome to come along. There will also be the usual 9.30am Mass that morning in church.

Baptism Preparation Sessions

Our next Baptism preparation session will take place on Tuesday, 15th September, at 6.30pm in the church at St James the Less. If you wish to attend please sign one of the sign-up sheets at the back of either church. Any parents wishing to book a Baptism need to collect a booklet from Father Stamp which explains the process.

Mini-Pilgrimage to Whitby

Full payment is now due for those parishioners travelling on our pilgrimage to Whitby in October. The remaining amount for those who have paid the deposit is **£174** for those in a twin or double and **£239** for singles. This can be paid by cash, cheque, bank transfer or card. Please make any cheques payable to 'The Holy Apostles, Rossendale'. Many thanks.

Parish Centre at St James the Less

The Parish Centre is open for bookings for family parties and other events, as well as longer term bookings for groups/sessions, both in the daytime and in the evening. If you would like to book the Centre, please contact Jeanette Pritchard on 07960977464. Or email at: jeanette pritchard5@gmail.com

Journey in Faith

Our Journey in Faith Group will begin again on Thursday 10th September at 7.00pm in the Parish Centre at St James the Less. This group is for any adults who are interested in becoming Catholic. It is also open to anyone who is already Catholic but wants to deepen their knowledge and love of the Catholic Faith. Each week, the course follows a topic taken from the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Questions are welcome and encouraged, and refreshments are provided. The course will start from the beginning on 10th so this is a good opportunity for anyone who has not previously attended to begin.

A New School Year

In the coming week, we welcome back all of our children and staff from our three Primary Schools and our High School for the start of a new school year. There will be an opening Mass in St James the Less church on Wednesday 9th September at 9am and an opening Mass in St Peter's church on Tuesday 15th September at 10am. Please keep all our children and staff in your prayers as they begin again, and especially for those children and staff joining us for the first time!