

Attendance and Collection

4th May Attendance 71 Collection £184.00 11th May Attendance 69
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Parishioners Who are Unwell

If you would like the parish to pray for someone, please notify Father Sony on 01772 865229 for inclusion in the Bidding Prayers or newsletter.

Feast Days

Mon – Sts. Marcellinus & Peter
Tues – Sts Charles Lwanga
Thurs – St. Boniface

Cycle of Prayer

Right Use of Media especially on World Communications Day - 1st June

Wedding Anniversary Mass - Saturday 12 July, 12.15pm St Peter's

Cathedral Lancaster: As part of our Jubilee and Centenary celebrations Bishop Paul invites all couples in the Diocese celebrating milestone wedding anniversaries this year including; 1st, 25th, 30th, 40th, 45th & 60 and beyond - to a special mass of celebration and blessing. Join together to celebrate your journey of love and commitment with family, friends and our parish community during our Diocesan Centenary year. All are welcome to attend. For those couples wishing a blessing for their Catholic marriage please email the Cathedral at clergy@lancastercathedral.org.uk See the poster at the back of church for details.

Childrens Liturgy

It has been lovely to see so many children in the school hall at Sunday mass. Now we are back in church, we would love to restart Children liturgy. This is where the children have their own special liturgy focused at their level of understanding. They leave church at the beginning of mass and go to the presbytery with Childrens liturgists, where they talk and share thoughts and ideas on the gospel pf the day – with planned activities to enthuse and inspire children to respond and to enjoy themselves too. They then return to mass in church at the Offertory.

If you would like to be involved in Childrens Liturgy or find out more - please do see Mary, Maria or Bernadette for more information.



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Parish Safeguarding Representative –Maria Peel

Sunday 1st June 2025

7th SUNDAY OF EASTER - Communications Day
Readings – Year C
Mass 10.30am

Parish Mission Statement

Our Parish, guided by the example of our patron St Francis of Assisi, seeks to be a welcoming Catholic Community by living, sharing and growing in faith. We strive to deepen our own relationship with Christ and meet the needs of others.

Mass intention is for the People of the Parish

We pray for all who are unwell in our parish especially

Bill Bamber, Shirley Walker & Frank Morris

We remember Thomas Gornall, Reginald Thomas Middleton, Sylvia Jean Leach, Malachy Conlon & Thomas Anthony Coupe whose anniversary occurs at this time.

Tea and Coffee will be served after Sunday Mass

The Re-dedication of St Francis, Hill Chapel

As we return to celebrating Mass at our church, we give thanks for being able to worship here in our beautiful church once again. Last Sunday Bishop Paul re-dedicated and re-opened Hill Chapel once more. It was a very special celebration. Here are some memories of the occasion from clergy, parishoners and visitors:

- Walking into church and seeing our church in pristine condition with the newly restored angels on the altar watching over us.
- Watching Bishop Paul, the clergy and altar servers process from the sacristy, through the gardens past all the congregation waiting outside.
- Listening to the Bishop knock his crosier on the church door three times before being admitted into the building.
- Looking up at the choir loft and seeing a crowd of folk - absolutely packed full, even sitting on the floor but all listening, responding and participating fully in the mass.
- Hearing a very inspiring sermon from Bishop Paul who looked so pleased to be at Hill Chapel and to be leading the re-dedication ceremony.
- Listening to the music group leading the singing with such beautiful accompaniments.
- Seeing Bishop Paul and four priests (who we all know well) con-celebrating mass together.
- Despite over three hundred people being packed into what is not a big church – everyone was involved and welcomed and happy to be there.
- Watching Miss Deakin transport the large drum kit from school in a great big wheel barrow and seeing parents proudly watch their children play in the school band – entertaining the crowds.
- All celebrating and socialising after mass with a brew or wine and sampling a variety of cakes and savouries.

A Day To Remember!

Mea Culpa

I must apologise for failing to mention some important people whose contribution made our rededication mass so special last Sunday. In my haste to save time I must have turned over two pages of notes, thus missing a crucial section out.

I failed to mention our musicians, so ably led by Louise who never fails to enhance all our masses with her musical skills and marvellous singing voice. She was joined by Andrew, the Barron girls and Tom and Kath Smyth – so nice to see back at Hill Chapel. Thank you all, you made our mass so special. I should have also thanked the altar servers, Mary for reading, our ‘greeting’ team and our marvellous ‘Flower Girls’ . The church looked beautiful, a tribute to our very special parish community.

Finally, a big thank you to my fellow Property Group members. The group has been kept very busy during the last two years, attending frequent meetings, carrying out inspections of the roof, completing several tasks inside and outside the building and keeping accurate checks of invoices received and VAT reclaimed. I include Fr Sony as a key member of the team, all of whom have worked extremely well together to make sure the building was restored to the highest standard and within budget. Thank you all.

Mike

First Communion Mass – Next Sunday

Nineteen children will be receiving their First Holy Communion at 10.30 a.m. Mass on the feast of Pentecost. Many of the benches downstairs will be reserved for the First Communicants and their families but you are all most welcome to come and take part in the celebration. We will find space for everyone to come and worship.

