

Attendance and Collection

8th June Attendance 253 Collection £245.00
15th June Attendance 72 Collection £190.00
22nd June Attendance 63 Collection £167.30

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

Wed – St. Augustine Zhao
Fri – ST.BENEDICT

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

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 Children's 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 Children's 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 6th July 2025
14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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 John Edward Wilkinson

We pray for all who are unwell in our parish especially
Bill Bamber, Shirley Walker & Frank Morris

We remember Elizabeth Philomena Littler, Francis Anthony Gornall, Monseignor Edward Gould, John Kenneth Crawley & John Arthur Wells whose anniversaries occur at this time.

The funeral of the late **William Shorrock** will be on Monday 7th July 10.30am at Hill Chapel followed by Cremation at Preston Crematorium

Tea and Coffee will be served after Sunday Mass

Confirmation Ceremony

Twenty-five of our pupils from St Francis Hill Chapel and St Mary's Claughton parish are to be confirmed by Bishop Paul Swarbrick on Tuesday 8th July. Please remember them in your prayers.

St Francis, Hill Chapel Open Day on Saturday 19th July from 10 a.m.to 4 p.m.

After seven years of fundraising for a new roof, we are proud to show you our newly refurbished historic church. We are holding an Open Day for our local community to come and see the changes that have occurred. See the hidden mural, look at our photos, our memorabilia and share your memories.

Delicious refreshments, Vintage cars, Raffle and Displays.

If you would be able to help to bake cakes or bring in photos to display and come and share your memories of Hill Chapel – that would be gratefully appreciated. Please see Maria or Bernadette for further details.

Save the date - Friday 24th October – ‘The Valley Singers’ will be performing in church.

Papal Curiosities

How many windows are in the Papal residence?

There are 12,523 windows in the Apostolic Palace.

How much air traffic occurs over Vatican City?

You won't be annoyed by noisy air traffic when you visit the Vatican. Airplanes are not permitted to fly over the State of Vatican City.

What is the most ornate of the papal treasures?

Among the papal treasures are nine tiaras. The one used for the coronation of Pope Pius X (1903-1914), which is shaped like a beehive and ornately embroidered, is decorated with 529 diamonds, 252 pearls, 32 rubies, 19 emeralds, and 11 sapphires.

Where does the word “Vatican” come from and what does it mean?

The word derives from the Latin *vates*, which means “tellers of the future”. This was the name given to a hillside on the west bank of the Tiber River in Rome because daily lineups of passersby on the street. In the fourteenth century, when the papacy was returned to Rome from Avignon (France), the present-day Vatican became the residence of the popes, and the word came to refer to the enclave in the middle of Rome that had become the seat of the Roman Catholic Church.

Does the pope have a private garden?

Although the Papal Gardens, which can be visited by tourists, have been used in the past by various popes of century, the pontiff has yet another private garden. Located on the roof of the Apostolic Palace, almost directly above the Pope's private quarters on the top floor, is a trellised garden of walks, fountains, and shrubs that is cleverly concealed by a false roof so that at no point inside Vatican City can any person observe His Holiness when he is there. Nor can the roof garden be seen with a high-powered telescope from any location in Rome.

