

The Catholic Parish of St Richard, Skelmersdale

Serving the Churches of
St Mary Queen of Apostles, St Richard's and St Francis of Assisi.
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West Lancashire Pastoral Area

St Richard, St Mary & St Francis Skelmersdale, St Teresa Upholland, Skelmersdale,
St Marie of the Annunciation, Standish and St Bernadete Shevington;
St Joseph Wrightington; St James Orrell; Our Lady & All Saints Parbold;
St Anne Ormskirk; St Elizabeth Scarisbrick; St John the Evangelist, Burscough.

In Galilee of
the nations
the people
have seen a
great light.

Isa 8:23b-9:3

SUNDAYS READINGS:

Isa 8:23b-9:3
1 Cor 1:10-13, 17
Matt 4:23
Matt 4:12-17

Recently deceased:

We pray for the repose of the
souls of all who have recently died:
Angela Aspinall, Ella Crank,
Cathy Dewar, Collette Givnan and
James Morgan

Keep my soul
in peace,
before you,
O Lord.

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual
light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all
the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in
peace. Amen.*

Remember Those Who Need Our Prayers:

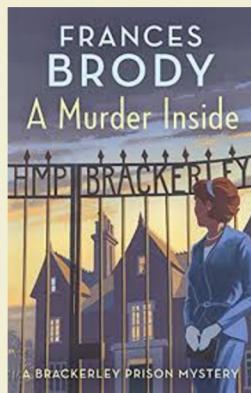
Nina Leigh, Debbie Martin, Sister Margaret
Shutt, Jennifer Walker, Stephen Philip Rochford,
Billy & Joyce Rainford, Dorothy Halsall, Bernard
Halsall, Collette Haynes, Mark Everest – and all
those who need our prayers

Sunday 25th January 2026 – 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C; Psalter Week III

Saturday	24th Jan	St Francis de Sale	St Mary's	5.00pm	Joseph Stockton, Alan Faye LD
Sunday	25th Jan		St Richard	9.00am	Cathy Dewar, Paul McGauley LD
			St Mary's	11.00am	Janette Gregg LD
Tuesday	27th Jan	Weekday	St Mary's	9.30am	Mr Pat Dennehy RIP
Wednesday	28th Jan	St Thomas Aquinas	St Mary's	9.30am	Mrs June Shimmin
Friday	30th Jan		St Richard's	9.30am	Parishioners
Saturday	31st Jan		St Mary's	5.00pm	Lancashire infirm
Sunday	1st Feb		St Richard's	9.00am	College community
			St Mary's	11.00am	Janette Gregg LD, Members & RIP members of St Richards UCM foundation

Parish Book Club

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday 4th of February at 7:00pm - but at The White Lion for our Christmas party! Not sure if we are two months behind the rest of the world or ten months ahead. We will (as well as drinking and eating) be discussing: The Paris Library and picking up A Murder Inside by Frances Brody.



Dates for your diary:

Tuesday 3rd February- Parish Council meeting

Wednesday 4th February- Parish Book Club

Tuesday 10th February- SVP meeting

Tuesday 17th February- UCM meeting

If any parishioners would like to contribute to SVP by bank transfer or standing order
Our bank details are as follows:

Account name at Nat West Bank
D200519 SVP St Richards Skelmersdale
Sort code 60-60-04
Acct number 46087451

Parish Council 2026

Our first Parish Council meeting of the year will take place on Tuesday 3rd February. Before then does anyone have a comment, suggestion or question for us? There are "contact forms" available at the back of church - please complete one and hand it to a PC representative or put it in the PC post box. There are also some (blue) database sign up forms. If you complete one of these we will use the details you give us to keep in touch with you about our Parish.

Sunday Collections: Thank you for your kindness to the parish. Sunday 18th January: £965.19
Second collection next week for SVP, many thanks in advance.

Remember that confession is available before or after any Mass on request; just speak to Father Kenny.

Archdiocese of Liverpool

ADVENTUROUS ACCOMPANIMENT

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Workshop

Scan here to register

Who is it for?

Do you work with people in the church, or are you interested in doing so? Have you ever thought about how you can become an Adventurous Accompanier?

Adventurous Accompaniment focuses on walking alongside people in their faith journey. It emphasises listening, presence, and empowering individuals to discover their own path, rather than directing them. Through the journey of a 6-week programme including 3 full-day workshops, you will not only explore the core principles of accompaniment but also going in-depth to embed those principles in practice.

All costs of the programme will be covered by the archdiocese. Please register online if you are interested. Sign up here <https://archdioceseofliverpool.org/accompaniment>

For enquiries, please contact Moses Mui, Training Coordinator at m.mui@rcaol.org.uk

You will choose either one workshop for each weekend when you sign up

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or

10am - 2pm

or

12pm - 4pm

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Meet Your Archbishop

Wednesday , 28 January, 5:00pm

The Friends of the Metropolitan Cathedral are delighted to start the New Year with an evening with Archbishop John Sherrington.

It will commence with Mass at 5.00pm in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. Then we will adjourn to the Gibberd Room where we will enjoy a hot pot supper and a glass of wine. There will be an opportunity to meet Archbishop John and share with him his ambitions and plans for our Archdiocese. The cost is £30.00 per person which will include a hot pot supper, wine and a donation to the Friends.

Anyone wishing to sign up should email Claire at c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk in the first instance and details of how to pay will be shared. Numbers are limited so sign up fast!