

Welcome to St. Peter's

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PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK:

We pray for our Blue Envelope Advent Appeal: Supporting the homeless - The Whitechapel Centre in Liverpool and Light for Life in Southport. Campaign Against Gender Based Violence

For the residents of: Massams Lane, Green Lane and The Paddock.

For the sick: Andrew, Becky, Enid, Harvie, Jack, James, Kate, Louise, Lyra, Mabel, Margaret, Maureen, Mervyn, Ray, Robert, Sarah, and those in hospital and our parishioners who are housebound or living in Care Homes.

For the recently departed: Lucy Bennett, Jim Stanley, Val Chown, Hugh Smyth and those whose anniversary of death falls at this time remembering Doreen Hughes.

Parish of St Peter, Formby
Advent Sunday
29th November 2026

Services for Today:

8.30am Eucharist (BCP)

10am Parish Eucharist

This service will be live streamed

Prelude: Improvisation *Veni Emmanuel*

Gathering

41 Lo, he comes with clouds descending

Gradual

30 Come thou long expected Jesus

Offertory

36 Hark the glad sound the Saviour comes

Motet: Wood *O thou, the central orb*

Bach *Sleepers, wake!*

Post Communion

Mine eyes have seen the glory

Words in the bulletin

Organ: Bach *Watchet auf, uns ruff die stimme*

12noon Children's Hotdog Service

6.30pm Advent Carol Service

This service will be live streamed

Prelude: Bach *Nun Komm der Heiden Heiland*

All hymns and music are on the service sheet

Readers: Gill Warr, Nick Philpott, Jayne Davies, & Shena Edwards.

Organ: Bullard *The Angel Gabriel*

FOODBANK ITEMS needed are:- Cordial, Tinned Potatoes, Tinned fruit, Coffee, UHT milk, 'Free from' items, laundry detergent and deodorant. Also Christmas Confectionary to bring a little extra Christmas joy (before 7th December). The Church Porch is open 10am to 4pm each day. Many thanks for your help.

Gluten free wafers are available, please ask the Vicar
The November Magazine is now available



Please ask for a children's puzzle sheet or help yourself to children's books & toys. The Bier House is open if anyone needs a break & there is a fun box to use.

The Advent Wreath

The purple candles are lit on the 1st, 2nd and 4th Sundays of Advent. The Rose Candle is lit on the 3rd Sunday. The four candles represent Hope, Peace, Love and Joy. Finally the white candle is lit on Christmas Morning ~ the Birth of Christ.

Minister: Lord Jesus, Light of the world,
born in David's city of Bethlehem,
born like him to be a king:
Be born in our hearts at Christmas,
be king of our lives today.

The 1st candle of the Advent Wreath is lit as the following verse is sung:

Come and light the candles on the Advent ring
scattering the darkness till the world shall sing.
We are all God's people, waiting in this place
Hoping that in Jesus we shall see God's face.

Minister: In our watching and waiting
All: **Come Lord Jesus**
Minister: In our hopes and in our fears
All: **Come Lord Jesus**
Minister: In our homes and in our world
All: **Come Lord Jesus**
Minister: Come, Lord Jesus, bless us and surprise us.
All: **AMEN**



The Collect;

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility; that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen

Epistle Reading; 1 Corinthians 1:3-9 *read by* **Mike Warr**

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind - just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you - so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

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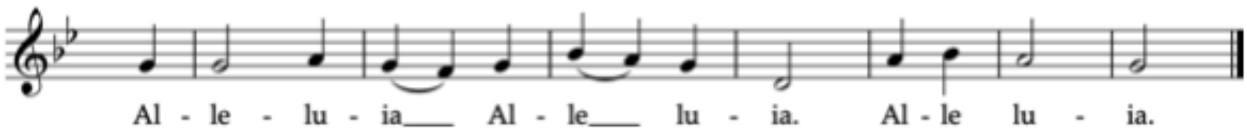
Gospel Reading; Mark 13:24-37 Richard Edwards

Choir first: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Then All:



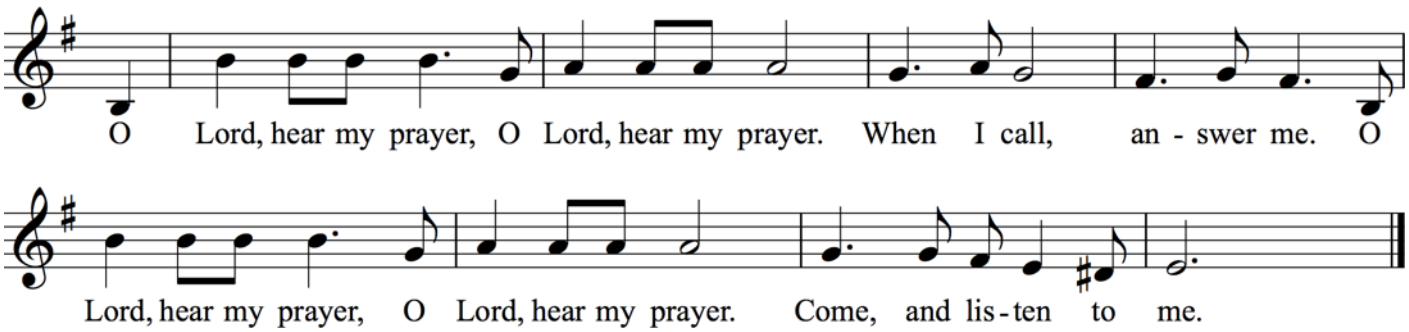
Choir: You also must be ready, says the Lord:
for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected time.

All: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'In those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.
Then they will see "the Son of Man coming in clouds" with great power and glory. Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.
'From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.
'But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. Therefore, keep awake - for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake.'

Intercessions Steve Edwards



Post Communion Prayer

O Lord our God, make us watchful and keep us faithful as we await the coming of your Son our Lord; that, when he shall appear, he may not find us sleeping in sin but active in his service and joyful in his praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Post Communion Hymn - Mine eyes have seen the glory

1 Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord;
he is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored;
he has loosed the fateful lightning of his terrible swift sword:
his truth is marching on.
Glory glory alleluia, glory glory alleluia, glory glory alleluia, his truth is marching on.

2 He has sounded forth the trumpet that shall never call retreat;
he is sifting out the hearts of men before his judgment seat:
O be swift, my soul, to answer him; be jubilant, my feet!
Our God is marching on: *Chorus*

3 In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea,
with a glory in his bosom that transfigures you and me:
as he died to make men holy, let us live to make men free,
while God is marching on: *Chorus*

4 He is coming like the glory of the morning on the wave;
he is wisdom to the mighty; he is succour to the brave:
so the world shall be his foot-stool, and the soul of time his slave:
our God is marching on.

Words: Julia Ward Howe (1819-1910) Music: Anonymous American Tune: Battle hymn of the Republic

Advent

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Christmas	Bethlehem	Shepherd	Nazareth	Prepare
Wreath	Joseph	Manger	Donkey	Advent
Angel	Jesus	Peace	Tree	Star
Baby	Magi	Mary	Pray	Love
Hope	Joy			

Notice Sheet

Have you any unwanted gifts? Need a little clear out before Christmas?

There will be a stall at the Christmas Tree Festival and we need more gifts, books, toiletry sets, small toys, puzzles etc.



CHRISTMAS CARD DELIVERIES The Christmas card bundles will be ready for delivering this week. If you would like to deliver some bundles for us, please contact Caroline in the Parish Office 01704 871171. **Many thanks for your help.**

Get Baking for the Christmas Tree Festival Coffee Shop!
10-13th December 2026.

The Christmas Tree Festival will soon be upon us. If you can bake cakes, biscuits, scones or mince pies for the coffee shop please sign up on the sheets at the back of church. Due to new allergy guidelines, all homemade cakes etc must have an ingredients list attached.
If you can help in coffee shop and or church during the festival please sign the sheets also at the back of church. Thank you. Judy Brown.

Donations in Yellow Envelopes. Are you a UK Taxpayer?

We can claim Gift Aid if your name and address is on the yellow envelope. If you would like brown envelopes assigned to you then you have a personal number and do not need to fill out your details. Alternatively, we have a card-reader at the back of Church or feel free to scan the QR Code on your phone to make a donation. All of these ways of donating we can add Gift Aid if we have your permission. For more details please call the Office or talk to the Churchwardens.



Monday 30th November

9.00am	Morning Prayer	Bier House
7.30pm	Time Out – Men, Beer & Topics	Bier House
	Topic – 'Lives Along the Line' a social history of the Southport Railway.	

Tuesday 1st December



9.00am	Morning Prayer	Song Room
10.00am	Bible Study *with Ken Ward*	40, Southport Road
11.00am	Eucharist in Woodlands Care Home	
4.00pm	Junior Choir singing in Halcyon House	

Wednesday 2nd



11.00am	Eucharist *followed by refreshments*	Church
1.00pm	Funeral of Jim Stanley	Church
7.30pm	Bible Study *with Ted Woods*	Bier House

Thursday 3rd

9.00am	Morning Prayer	Bier House
11.30am	Funeral of Valerie Chown	Church
2.00pm	Mothers' Union Christmas Party	Bier House

Friday 4th



9.00am	Morning Prayer & on live stream	Church
9.30am	Little Fishes Pre-school Group	Parish Hall
11.00am	Bible Study *with Peter Paine*	Bier House

Saturday 5th

9.00am	Breakfast Church	Bier House
10.30am	Saturday Crew – *all things crafty*	Bier House
11.00am	Village Nativity Play	Formby Pool Gardens

Sunday 6th 2nd Sunday of Advent



8.30am	Eucharist (BCP)	Church
10.00am	Parish Eucharist, Baptism & Sunday Club *followed by refreshments*	Church
6.30pm	Bereavement Service *followed by refreshments*	Church

Tuesday 8th

12.05pm Eucharist in Liverpool Cathedral – celebrant Revd Lilly Nelson

Thursday 10th

10.30am Start of our Christmas Tree Festival Church



YOU ARE NEW TO THE PARISH WE WARMLY WELCOME YOU.

If you would like our magazine delivered, or have recently moved to the parish, changed your address, would like to be added to the email list, or would like a parish visit, will you please hand this slip to the clergy or churchwardens. Thank You.

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