

St James the Great in St. Anselm's Local Missionary Area

Fifth Sunday of Easter

3rd May 2026

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MASS INTENTION FOR THIS SUNDAY: Today's Mass is offered for the repose of the Soul of Rosemary Guilfoyle and Parishioners of St James the Great.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Please keep in your prayers, and all of our recently deceased Parishioners, and their families at this sad time of loss.

Sanctuary Lamp burns for the Parishioners of St James the Great.

CONFESSION: By appointment.

BAPTISM: We pray for our recently baptised.

MONEY MATTERS: Recent collection totals for, 26th April was £81.72.
Thankyou very much for your generosity.

Gift Aid - If your circumstances have changed, e.g. you no longer pay tax, or if a box was put out for you but you now give by standing order, or you would like to start using gift aid envelopes, then please phone the office to leave contact details.

PARISH NOTICES

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As we continue with John's Gospel this Eastertime we continue with another of the great 'I AM' title of Jesus – I am the Way, The Truth and The Life! In other words, Jesus is everything we ever need in order to bring about the Peace that He has always wanted for each and every one of us. This is also the catalyst to our mission on earth

St James Mass - May Crowning in Church at 9:15am on Wednesday 6th May 2026 - Please come along to join the whole School of St James for the May crowing Mass. All Parishioners are very welcome. .

Willow Wood Flower Festival - Please note that this will be taking place on **Sat 9th and Sunday 10th May**. Please go along and support this local event, see the poster on the noticeboard for more information. Thankyou

Voices of Tomorrow - This is a fundraising concert taking place on **May 15th at 6:30pm at Stalybridge Civic Hall** – Please see the information on the poster on the noticeboard

Annual Diocesan Marriage Mass 13th June - Chester - This takes place this year on 13th June in St Columbus, Chester at 12 noon. If you are celebrating a major anniversary this year or any anniversary then please see the poster at the back of church or contact Father Owen directly.

Castle Rigg Gap Year- Do you know anyone aged 18-25 who is looking for a new challenge? The Diocese of Lancaster has a Youth Ministry team based in Keswick in the Lake District. They run retreats at Castlerigg Manor and also work in Churches and schools around the area. The 'Youth Ministry Internship' scheme comes with high quality training, experience, and recognised qualifications and gives young people the chance to join a welcoming community and a vibrant team doing some amazing-work. **Interested?** Contact director@castleriggmanor.co.uk or www.castleriggmanor.com >> **join the team**

First Holy Communion - Please keep in your prayers all our children and their families from our 3 schools who will be celebrating their First Holy Communion, the dates are - St Raphael - 9th May, St Peter - 16th May and St James - 20th June.