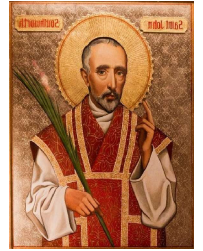


St Teresa's and St John Southworth RC churches Cleveleys

St. Teresa's Ave, Cleveleys FY5 3JT



Parish bulletin: 39th Sunday in Ordinary time- 27th / 28th Dec. 2025

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Mass Times

Weekend Masses	Saturday Vigil: 6.30pm Sunday 10.00am
Weekday Masses	Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays
Confessions	Saturdays and Sundays by appointment
Weekend Mass attendance	Sat 20 th Dec. 6.30pm- 52 Sun 21 st Dec. 10.00am - 144 Collection- £611.50 (not inc. Debits)

Mass Intentions:

Sat 27th Dec. 6.30 pm: For the Parish **Sun 28th Dec.** 10.00am: Catherine Moorcroft

Tue 30th Dec. 9.30am: Marie Connolly

Thurs 1st Jan - NEW YEAR'S DAY-Please note that the Mass next **Thursday is at 12noon.** It is New Year's Day and the feast of Mary, the Mother of God. This a great opportunity to give thanks to God for the past year and to ask his blessing on the year ahead.

Fri 2nd Jan 9.30am: Ivy Smith **Sat 3rd Jan** 6.30pm John Gildert **Sun 4th Jan** 10am: Bill Connor

Children's Liturgy takes place at the 10.00am Mass every Sunday.

First Holy Communion will take place on Sunday 26th April 2026 for children in Year 4 and above. Our preparation starts on Sunday 8 February.

Today's Reflection.

At this time of year, we have a feast of celebrations: Christmas, Holy Family, Solemnity of Mary Mother of God (Jan 1st) and the beginning of a New Year rooted in all the experiences of 2025. We could ask the question, "Where do we begin?" Perhaps it is more beneficial to ask, "With whom do we begin?" We still our minds as we become aware of our oneness with God who is present in all the deep emotional experiences of each celebration. 'We desperately need to make clearances in our entangled lives to let our souls breathe. The Celtic imagination embraced each day as a sacred space. They knew that time is eternity in disguise. At Christmas, time deepens. Christmas reminds us to glory in the simplicity and wonder of the mystery of the Incarnation; it unveils the extraordinary, that our hurried lives conceal and neglect.' [John O' Donohue]

Thank you-

It has been a difficult year, seeing our beloved Fr. Chris suffering illness and eventually moving into retirement after 22 years of service in the parish. We were able to celebrate his Golden Jubilee with him and we thank God for all he has been for us and wish him well in this new stage of his life. May God give him peace and rest (not 'rest in peace')!

In the meantime, many people stepped up to help in our time of need. We thank all who have worked hard in our parish throughout the year. So many people give their time and energy to the liturgy, to the care of the sick, our schools, the finance, administration and maintenance of the parish, the food pantry, the buildings and the garden, to hospitality and social events, and so much more.

Thank you for your kindness and generosity at Christmas and throughout the year. May God bless and reward you.

At this time also we remember those we have lost during the year. We treasure the memories and continue to pray for them that God may bring them to the joy of eternal life.

Fr. Peter Draper, Deacon Bernard Ward, Fr. Chris Webb.

PARISH EVENTS

Used Stamps: Here at St. Teresa's, we are in our 25th year of collecting and Used Stamps make money for The Missions. We are very grateful for your support.

Parish Meetings- Over recent weeks a group of our Parishioners have come together to look at the future of our Parish. In the New Year we'll be moving ahead with planning.

Line dancing- on Mondays in the Church Hall. For information text Angela on 07778 444973

Play Inclusion Project (PIP) on Tuesdays. Contact www.playinclusionproject.com

Rainbows, Brownies & Guides/Rangers on Wednesdays in the Hall.

Rainbows 6-7pm, Brownies 6-7.15pm, Guides/Rangers 7.30-8.30. Re-open on 14th Jan 2026.

Keep Fit and Dance group on Wednesdays in the Church Hall: 1.15pm- 2pm. The last session will be on 17th Dec and will re-open on 14th Jan 2026.

THE HUB Wednesdays 2-4pm. This takes place in the church hall and is somewhere to relax in a friendly atmosphere with good company. The last session will be on 17th Dec and will re-open on 7th Jan 2026.

Bingo- on Fridays in the church hall from 1pm-4pm

The Hall- is available for hire on request. Contact Mike Holderness on 07872 680645