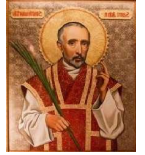




St Teresa's and St John Southworth RC churches Cleveleys

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Mass times- Fifth Sunday in Ordinary time – 8th February 2026	
Weekend masses – Saturday Vigil: 6.30pm	Sunday 10.00am
Confessions – Saturdays and Sundays by appointment	
Weekend mass attendance – Sat 31 st Jan 6.30 pm: 76	Sun 1 st Feb 10.00am: 169
Collections- £151.48 + £238.61 + envelopes £294.00 = £684.09	

Mass intentions:

Sat 7th Feb: Angela & Leonard Balaam, family and son Philip. **Sun 8th Feb:** Ann Warwick
Tue 10th Feb: Ann Warwick **Thurs 12th Feb:** For our Parish **Fri 13th Feb:** Agnes & Hugh Haggerty
Sat 14th Feb: Pamela Cowling, Verma Bradley **Sun 15th Feb:** Julie Richardson

Baptism: on **Sunday 15th Feb** at **11.30**. We welcome into our community Arlo Joseph Hill.
 Congratulations to him and his family. May he grow strong in his faith in Our Lord Jesus Christ.

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

Tea and Coffee- is served In the Hall after the 10am Mass every Sunday. Come and join us.

Please pray for Fr. Peter Foulkes, Deacon Tom Butler and Anne Warwick who have died recently.

First Reconciliation and Holy Communion

The dates for the preparation and celebration of these Sacraments are.

Sundays- 8th Feb, 28th Feb, 1st March

Thursday- 5th March - Reconciliation Service in Church after school

Sundays- 8th March, 22nd March, 29th March, 19th April

Saturday -25th April - Practice in Church

Sunday- 26th April- First Holy Communion Mass.

Ash Wednesday - The ashes used on Ash Wednesday come from the palms of the last Palm Sunday. Thank you to those who have returned old palms to be burnt for this year's ashes.

The Pope's Prayer Intention for February: For children with incurable diseases: Let us pray that children suffering from incurable diseases and their families receive the necessary medical care and support, never losing strength and hope.

Day of Renewal - on 28th February at St. Clare's, Preston PR2 9HH from 10am-4-m. Fr. Eamon Mulcahy will be speaking on "Unpacking the paschal Mystery – to get the best celebration of Easter".

Today's reflection: -Fully accept and live our reality.

Deep spiritual transformation happens primarily in the presence of images. They touch the unconscious. They move us to a new place. In today's Gospel passage Jesus uses the powerful, transformative images of salt and light. Jesus wants us to reflect on how these images relate to how we live. **Salt** enhances the flavour of food but it only produces its effect when it is totally merged with the food. **'Light** is not so much something we see directly as more something by which we see all other things.' The description of the disciples as salt and light is one of the finest definitions of mission because it describes Jesus' followers as catalysts. During this Jubilee year of St. Francis of Assisi, we are reminded that Francis "preached" light and salt by how he lived.

The JAGS -An Evening of Music and Fun- this Friday 13th February - 7pm to 10pm in the Church Hall. Tickets are £12 which include 'Hot Pot' or Vegetarian option and will be on sale at the back of church after each Mass. All proceeds will go towards raising money for an Audio and Visual System upgrade in the church. Enquiries contact Sue Ward-07889532158

Blackpool & Thornton Deanery The second Deanery Meeting took place this weekend. Thanks to the many people of our parish who took part.

Our next **Parish Meeting** is in the hall on **Thursday 12th February 6.30-8pm**. This will be a chance to continue our discussions and planning on the future.

Gift Aid: Important information of tax payers-If you are a taxpayer and have not signed a gift aid declaration please do so as the parish will receive 25p from the government for every £1 you give. Please let us know if you would like a set of gift aid envelopes for your weekly contributions to the church. Alternatively, you can pay your contribution directly into the parish bank account-all forms are available at the back of church. Also, if you are no longer a taxpayer and have previously signed a gift aid declaration, please let us know. If you currently already have envelopes, you do not need to do anything. These will be reissued to you in due course.

Diocesan Directories -The Church shop has the new Diocesan Directories on sale priced £7.50. There are also some boxed Christmas cards and calendars on sale at reduced prices.

Vacancy: Blackpool Hospital Chaplaincy team lead –

There is a vacancy for team chaplain at Blackpool Victoria hospital. It is a part time post 10.3 hours per week with a salary of £38,682 -£46,580 per annum (pro rata). The closing date for applications is 12th February 2026. To apply please follow this link

<https://www.blackpoolteachinghospitals.nhs.uk/Working-With-Us/current-vacancies>

You will then need to click on Allied Health Professionals and select “Team Chaplain”. This post is open to any denomination. We are asked to urge Catholics to consider applying to try to keep these hours for our Catholic patients at Blackpool Hospital. This post would be ideally suited to a retired Priest, as well as current serving Clergy and lay persons.

A Week of Retreat and a School of Prayer. March 9-13 (7-8.30pm) plus day retreat (10am-3pm) on Saturday 14th March. There will be a variety of ways of praying each evening and the same again on Saturday. The week is being led by members of the Jesuit Institute for anyone in Lancaster Diocese. The Diocese is covering the costs which makes it free. All the sessions are online. No need to register. To receive the zoom link, email Ursula, our Diocesan Spirituality Rep. uwalker@uwclub.net

Parish Hall events

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

Rainbows, Brownies & Guides/Rangers Wednesdays. Rainbows 6-7pm, Brownies 6-7.15pm, Guides/Rangers 7.30-8.30

Keep Fit and Dance group on Wednesdays in the Church Hall: 1.15pm- 2pm. We will re-open on 14th Jan 2026.

THE HUB on Wednesdays 2-4pm in the Church Hall. This is somewhere to relax in a friendly atmosphere.

Bingo- on Fridays in the Church Hall from 1-4pm

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