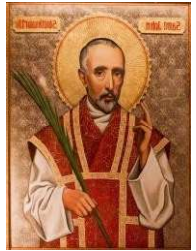


St Teresa's and St John Southworth RC churches Cleveleys



St. Teresa's Ave, Cleveleys FY5 3JT



Parish bulletin: Feast of the Baptism of the Lord - 10th / 11th January 2026

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Mass Times

Weekend Masses	Saturday Vigil: 6.30pm	Sunday 10.00am	
Weekday Masses	Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays at 9.30am		
Confessions	Saturdays and Sundays by appointment		
Weekend attendances	6.30pm-70	10.00am- 135	Offertory collection- £ 288.63
Feast of the Epiphany	Offertory collection- 6.30pm-£80.02	10.00am- £36.11	

Mass Intentions- Sat 10th Jan. 6.30 pm: Bernard Brown **Sun 11th Jan.** 10.00 am: Bill Brown

Tue 13th Jan.- 9.30am: For our parish

Thurs 15th Jan. -9.30am: Gerard Brimlow

Fri: 16th Jan: --

Sat 17th Jan 6.30pm --

Sun 18th Jan. 10.00am: for our parish

Please pray for Fr Ossie Aisbitt, an ordinariate priest, and for Fr. Peter Foulkes both of whom died recently.

Christmastime Christmas time ends after today's feast of the Baptism of the Lord. Thanks again to those who erect the crib and decorate the church each Christmas. They add a great deal to our celebration of the birth of Christ our Lord and are widely appreciated. Crib Offerings are again for 'Friends of the Holy Land' - a non-political Christian Charity, who work to secure a resilient and enduring Christian community in the West Bank, Gaza, Israel and Jordan - the Holy Land. Visit www.friendsoftheholylan.org. The offerings this week were £22.72.

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.

200 Club Winners -£15 Heather Carruthers, £10 Ruth Day, £5 Andrew Glynn. Please collect your winnings from the Sacristy.

SVP Collection- There will be a retiring collection this weekend for the work of our SVP Group.

Today's reflection: At the beginning of his public ministry Jesus chooses to be baptised by John and it is significant that as he begins his mission, he hears the words that every human being longs to hear and needs to hear: '**This is my beloved....**'. It is the experience of who we are in God that enables us to carry out our mission in life even in those times when it is difficult to experience love because of experiences of failure, humiliation, suffering and difficulties in relationships. When we claim the truth of being the beloved, we soon discover within ourselves a deep desire to reveal to others that they are also beloved. Once we deeply trust that we ourselves are precious in God's eyes, we are able to recognise the preciousness of others.

The Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for January That praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.

Lancaster Diocesan Directory 2026: The new diocesan directories have finally arrived and are available from the shop at the back of church. Cost: £7.50

Parish Council: The next meeting is on Monday 12th January at 7.00pm

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

White Flower Appeal-takes place on the weekend of 17th/18th January. This is a simple but meaningful way to show our support for the dignity of life, and your donations will help the Society of the Protection of Unborn Children continue their important work. Thank you.

Used Stamps: Here at St. Teresa's, we are in our 25th year of collecting used stamps. There is a receptacle in the church porch. These used stamps make money for The Missions and we are very grateful for your support.

Castlerigg Manor the diocesan youth centre in Keswick, will be opening its doors once again for a few days this January and February to those who want to stay there as individuals, as families or in small private groups. Specifically, Feb 9-11th and Feb 16-18th. A great chance to spend some time in the Lake District and support the youth service into the bargain. For more information, check out <https://castleriggmanor.com/stay-with-us/>

Acknowledgement:

Maria Connolly sends her thanks to all who have been so kind with prayers, Masses and best wishes on the occasion of her leaving our parish and moving to Dorset. In turn we wish her well in her new home and pray that she will soon settle in her new environment.

Parish Meetings

Line dancing- this is now suspended due to Angela's retirement.

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. We 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.

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

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