



St John Southworth's RC Parish
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**5th Sunday in
Ordinary Time**



8th February 2026



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secure online donation to the parish!

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This week, we celebrated the 60th birthday of Siobhan Fitzpatrick, one of our most inspirational parishioners. Siobhan regularly attends daily Mass at Christ Church, and is found each week in pole position on the front row at Holy Saviour's. May the Lord continue to bless her in her life, and may she continue to bless us with her resilient and joyful presence.

ASH WEDNESDAY, 18th February 2026

Ash Wednesday inaugurates the great season of Lent which sends out once again the invitation to us to enter into a time of spiritual renewal.

We will be having our Soup Lunches, in support of C.A.F.O.D., on the six Fridays of Lent after the midday Mass at Christ Church.

This has become a great success over the last few years raising thousands of pounds for those in greatest need in our world. Also, a great way to fulfil our Lenten duties of prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

Come along and meet parishioners and children from our three primary schools.



Fr Sean O'Brien who joined us for our Reconciliation Service before Christmas, now invites us to his parish...

**Wednesday 11th February
Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes**

at St Mary's, Oswaldtwistle

12.00 noon - 1.00pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions.

1.00pm: Celebration of Mass of the Feast including the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of the Sick, and followed by refreshments.

Mass schedule for week beginning Monday 9th February 2026

Monday 9th Feb	Tuesday 10th Feb	Wednesday 11th Feb	Thursday 12th Feb	Friday 13th Feb	Saturday 14th Feb	Sunday 15th Feb
NO MASS	MASS C.C. 10.00 am	MASS H.S. 7.00pm	MASS C.C. 10.00am Exposition	MASS C.C. 10.00am	NO MASS	C.C. 9.30am H.S. 11.15am

Date	Reader 1	Reader 2
This Sunday: 8th February	David Zycinski	Luke Mendoza
Next Sunday: 15th February	Tony Finnan	Monica McArdle

Children's Church: C.C. Carmel & Francis **H.S.** Antonio/James, Monica, Teresa, Karen

Eucharistic Ministry 2nd Sunday (C.C. and H.S.)

Monica McArdle	Barbara Martin
George Winkley	Christine Whalley
Amanda Duckett	Susanne Barnes
Bernadette Whittaker	Marie Parker
Emma Sutcliffe	Paul Stinchon

Michael Taylor, RIP.

This Requiem Mass for Michael will take place at Holy Saviour's at 1.45pm on Friday 27th February. We miss this gentle man who served others in quiet ways!

Peggy Clark, RIP.

We pray for the repose of the soul of Peggy Clark who died recently at the age of 101. Peggy was a resident of Marsden Grange for many years where she received Communion each week from her Eucharistic Minister, Eileen Spillane.

CHURCH COLLECTION

Standing Orders: approx: **£765 p/w**
1st Feb 2026: **£163.10** Many thanks!

Many thanks for the increasing number of standing order contributions which makes for much easier accounting and less handling of cash which requires counting, recording, and banking each week.

DATES FOR THE DIARY, 2026

Day of Renewal at St Clare's, Preston.

Saturday, 28th February

Women's Retreat Day, Sabden

Saturday, 9th May.

Men's Retreat Day, Settle.

Saturday, 6th June



MASS INTENTIONS

Michael Taylor, died recently.
Peggy Clark (Marsden Grange) died recently.
Hamida Bibi, anniv, 5th Feb (2022)
Albert Shea, 4th anniv, 25th Feb.
Caroline Ryan, b'day intentions, 11th Feb.
Thanksgiving

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

Feb 9th James Littlefair Jnr (1971)
Feb 10th Rev James Youlden (1922)
Lillian Heseltine (2016)
Dominic Dunleavy (2024)
Feb 11th Anthony John Dunderdale (2016)
Michael Greenwood (2008)
Hilda Spain (1991)
Feb 13th Edward Nolan (1988)
Feb 14th Alex Sumner (1951)



May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. AMEN.

POUND DRAW—Returns this week!

The POUND DRAW starts again this weekend. Have a go! Just put a pound in envelopes provided at the back of church. Put your name on and pop it in the blue box. All ten/twenty-week members have been moved two weeks forward.

This is the only Parish fundraiser outside of Offertory collections, so please be generous in your support!

DAY OF RENEWAL AT ST CLARE'S, PRESTON SATURDAY, 28th FEBRUARY

If you would like to attend with me, then just let me know, Fr Gerard