

# This Week's Notices

## St Annes Churches Together

Our List of Events for 2026 is available now; please take a flyer available at the back of church. If you or family and friends are interested in coming along or feel that you could help with any of the events you would be very welcome. If you want to know more please speak to Ann Fletcher or Christine Campbell.

### Mothers' Union

Mothers' Union next meet on Tuesday 10th February at 1.45 pm in the Parish Rooms. We are having our AGM and a look at the life of our founder Mary Sumner.

### Kirkham Area Dean

It has been announced that the new Area Dean is Rev Nick Wells vicar of St Cuthberts.

If you are unable to go to the altar to receive your Holy Communion or a blessing, then please speak to a sidesperson who will arrange for you to receive in your pew.



**NOTICES for next Sunday's Pew Sheet should be with the Parish Office by WEDNESDAY NOON at the latest. Notices handed in after this may not be**

### CONTACTS

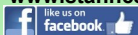
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# Welcome



**St Annes Parish Church  
Sunday 1st February  
Candlemas**

## Our Worship & Diary for this Week

<b>Today</b>	<b>Parish Mass</b> Fr David Lyon <b>Choral Evensong</b>	<b>10.30 am</b>  <b>4.30pm</b>
	<i>Presentation of Our Lord in the temple</i>	
<b>Monday</b>	<b>No Mass</b>  <i>Families</i>	
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Holy Communion (BCP) with Homily</b> Fr Callum Mullet  <i>World Conflict</i>	<b>10.30 am</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> Bill Hembrow LLM <b>Garden Club</b> <b>Reception of David Percival-Smith into Church</b>	<b>9.00 am</b>  <b>9.30 am</b> <b>4.30pm</b>
	<i>Our Parish during the In- terregnum</i>	
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Funeral Service</b> David Percival Smith  <i>Our Emergency Service</i>	<b>1 pm</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Requiem Mass</b> Alan Swindlehurst  <i>Healing</i>	<b>2.15pm</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>No Mass</b>	

## Services & Readings for Next Sunday

**Sunday, 8th February**  
**Second Sunday before Lent**  
**Sunday School 10.15 am**  
**Parish Mass - 10.30 am**  
**Choral Evensong - 4.30pm**

**Morning: First Reading -** Genesis 1: 1-2:3  
**Second -** Romans 8: 18 - 25  
**Gospel -** Matthew 6:25 - 34

You are all very welcome to join us for tea & coffee after the service. This is served at the back of church.

### Collections & Donations

A collection is taken during the service, but if you prefer you can make an offering or donation up to £20 via text  
Text SAPC (amount) to **70085**, eg SAPC05 for £5  
For cash on the Collection Plate, taxpayers please use the yellow Gift Aid envelope.

# Collect & Readings for Today

**Hymn** 339, Christ whose Glory

**Kyrie and Gloria** See order of Service

## Collect

Almighty and ever-living God, clothed in majesty, whose beloved Son was this day presented in the Temple, in substance of our flesh: grant that we may be presented to you with pure and clean hearts, by your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

## First Reading *Malachi 3: 1 - 5*

Thus says the Lord God: See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight – indeed, he is coming, says the LORD of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the LORD in righteousness. <sup>4</sup>Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the LORD as in the days of old and as in former years. Then I will draw near to you for judgement; I will be swift to bear witness against the sorcerers, against the adulterers, against those who swear falsely, against those who oppress the hired workers in their wages, the widow, and the orphan, against those who thrust aside the alien, and do not fear me, says the LORD of hosts.

## Second Reading *Hebrews 2: 14 - end*

Since the children share flesh and blood, Jesus himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

**Gradual Hymn** 452, Come let us join

## Gospel *Luke 2:22 - 40*

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, Mary and Joseph brought Jesus up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord. (as it is written in the law of the Lord, 'Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord'), and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, 'a pair of turtle-doves or two young pigeons.' Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying, 'Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel.' And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed and a sword will pierce your own soul too.' There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshipped there with fasting and prayer night and day. At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about

the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem. When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him.

**Offertory Hymn** 522, Love Divine

## Sanctus & Agnus Dei

**Communion Hymns** 197, Thee we adore  
386, Let all mortal flesh

**Motet** Nunc Dimittis  
Thomas Attwood Walmsley

## Post Communion Prayer

Lord, you fulfilled the hope of Simeon and Anna, who lived to welcome the Messiah: may we, who have received these gifts beyond words, prepare to meet Christ Jesus when he comes to bring us to eternal life; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

## Angelus

**Lighting Candles** 510 Light of the World

**Procession** 593 Ye servants of God

**Introit** Blessed are the pure in Heart -  
Henry Walford Davies

**Psalm** 34 vv 1 - 10

**OT Reading** Haggai 2: 1 - 9

**Office Hymn** 349, O strength and stay

**NT Reading** John 2: 18 - 22

**Anthem** Non Nobis Domine— Roger Quilter  
**Hymn** 487 Immortal Invisible

We warmly welcome you all here today.

Please do introduce yourself after the service or complete the card in the pew and hand to one of our sidespersons. Please don't worry if children make a little noise, there are toy bags at the back of church for the younger children and you can always use the choir vestry, where there are books and toys.

For older children (4+) there is a liturgy bag. This contains a child friendly service booklet with activities linked to different parts of the service.

Toilets and changing facilities are available through the choir vestry at the back of church. Our churchwarden or sidepersons are here to help, so please ask.

## For Our Prayers

### Those who are Sick or in Particular Need:

Ben Akrill, Angela Armit, Elizabeth Arnold. Tessa Bebbington, Rev Mo Baldwin. Ashleigh Broadbridge, Alison Cross, Muriel Driscoll, Justine Eadie, Fr Michael Fish, Marian Hopper, Sarah Kinghorn, Margaret Lane, Cathy Picken, Sheila Pinches, Deborah Pincock, Ian Reece, Brian Rose, Rebecca Stuart, Terry Sutton, Brenda Underwood, Jayne Weaver, Christine Whelan, Jan, Thomas, and Maurice

### Long Term Sick and Housebound:

Winston Atkinson, Rita Fletcher, Ann Hazard, Jan Hood, Paul Hodgson, Doreen Taylor, Josie Wilkinson.

### The Recently Departed:

Harry David Percival Smith, Alan Swindlehurst