



Holy Family, Freckleton & Warton

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Date	Time & Church	Intention
Sat 3 Jan	10-11am Holy Family - Holy Hour/ Confession 6.30pm - Holy Family – Mass	Intention of Linda Forster
Sun 4 Jan <i>Second Sunday after the Nativity</i>	8.45am St Annes – Mass 10.45am Holy Family – Mass	Alan Pugh RIP People of the Parish
Mon 5 Jan	9.00am – St Peters – Mass No Mass at St Annes	George Ritchie RIP. Beginning of term at St Bedes's
Tues 6 Jan <i>Epiphany of the Lord</i>	10.30am – St Annes - Mass 6.00pm - Holy Family - Holy Hour/Confession 7.00pm – Holy Family – Mass	David Clark RIP
Wed 7 Jan <i>St Raymond of Penyafort</i>	9.00am - Holy Family – Mass 10.30am – St Annes - Mass	Catherine Poland RIP
Thurs 8 Jan	9.00am – Holy Family – Mass 12.00 noon – St Annes - Funeral	Anthony J Foster RIP Philip Lewis
Fri 9 Jan	No Mass at Holy Family 10.30am – St Annes - Mass	
Sat 10 Jan	10-11am Holy Family - Holy Hour/ Confession 6.30pm - Holy Family – Mass	Mass thanksgiving (YR)

Collection: 28/12/2025 Holy Family
 Gift Aid envelopes/loose: £201.70 plus £230 (Standing Orders)
Total £431.70. Attendance 66 **Christmas Mass attendance 113**

Please pray for those who are sick, Meriel McGowan, Jo Wray, Norman Benyon, Felicity Jones, Peter Simcock, Alex Keelan, Diane Shields, Fr Jim Allen, Daniel (Danny) Flemen, Colin Davidson and all our friends and relatives who are ill.

Holy Hour and Confession:
 Tuesday 6pm – 6.50pm. Saturday 10.00am – 11.00am

The Crib offerings this year are being sent to the Latin Patriarchate in Jerusalem. This is to support the Catholic parishes (which include Bethlehem, Gaza and the West Bank) in their mission to provide medical care, food and shelter to all who seek help. Thank you for your support. The box will remain at the back of church until the crib is taken down.

Second Sunday of the Nativity. Unusually, this year there's a second Sunday of the Nativity. (the last few years we've gone to Epiphany for this Sunday. (Epiphany, as a feast in the church's year, is still kept on Tuesday January 6th...and yes it's a Holy Day of Obligation! Mass at Westby at 10.30 and at Holy Family at 7pm.) The readings give us more chances to reflect upon the revelation contained in Jesus the Christ. I never cease to be thrilled whenever I read, or hear proclaimed, the first chapter of the fourth gospel ("In the beginning was the word"). St John proclaiming the divinity of the Christ, even in his human flesh. Many of us last heard this gospel extract on Christmas Day. A bit further on in the season, let's take this second opportunity to reflect upon the Christ-child depicted in the crib as the God/man, and the reason why humanity was created in the first place...because of the love between the Father and his only Son. Despite the fact that humanity can be unspeakably evil at times, we were made as the product of pure love! that's a message to hold on to as we enter 2026. Talking of which...HAPPY NEW YEAR 2026.

Collection for December 2025

Cash and envelopes £442.85
 S/Orders £1270.00
Sub £1,712.85
 Sick & Retired Priests £1.50
 Diocesan Poor Missions £16.00
Sub £17.50
GRAND TOTAL £1,730.35

Congregation 7th (37), 14th (35), 21st (50), 24th (78), 28th (53)

Anniversaries at St Annes: Sister Canisius C&P, Wilfrid Valentine, Mary Whitehead, Gertrude Dewhurst, Percy V. Clarke, Frank Hinchcliffe, Richard Dagger, David Johnson

Anniversaries Holy Family: Included in anniversary book in front of the Sacred Heart statue in the porch.

There is always coffee after Mass on Sunday at St Anne's in the house. All are welcome.

The funeral of Philip Lewis will take place on Thursday 8th January at 12 noon at St Anne's Westby Mills.

The next St Anne OPC meeting is on 21st January at 7pm, not 14th as originally planned.

From Fr Stephen. As I write these few words (Tuesday afternoon) the savage cough/cold which took hold of me last weekend seems to be abating. it no longer hurts so much when I cough!!! Thank you for the several kindnesses people shared with me during this episode. I was very touched and grateful for them all. Thank you also for the Christmas cards, gifts and other items which marked the season of Christmas. This is, by reputation, a very generous parish. It is humbling when this generosity comes to your PP! Thank you! I am touched and humbled.