

ST. ANNE'S, NANTWICH NEWSLETTER

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Parish Priest: Fr. Tony Grace

Fr Michael Ryan OMI

Permanent Deacons: Rev. Peter Mascarenhas and Rev. John Penny

The Community Hub is available for private events during term time,

Information and bookings: <https://hallbookingonline.com/stanne>

IN NEED OF A PRIEST Please contact Fr Tony Grace on 01270 877736

Prayer and Mass Intentions can be sent by email to: stannesnantwich@btinternet.com

Saturday 7th March Sts Perpetua & Felicity	5.00pm	Vigil Mass - Third Sunday of Lent CTiN Pilgrims warmly welcome	Peter Mascarenhas - for a speedy recovery John Langston & William Banham RIP Anniversaries
Sunday 8th March Second Collection CAFOD	9.30am	Mass - Third Sunday of Lent	Elizabeth Coburn RIP Birthday Remembrance
Monday 9th March St Frances of Rome		No Mass or Service Today	
Tuesday 10th March	9.30am 10.00am 10.40am	Exposition Mass Stations of the Cross	Mark Joyce (sick)
Wednesday 11th March	6.00pm	Confirmation Class	St Anne's
Thursday 12th March	9.30am 10.00am 10.40am	Exposition Mass Stations of the Cross	The Parish
Friday 13th March		No Mass or Service Today	
Saturday 14th March	10.00am	First Holy Communion and Reconciliation prep Retreat	Wistaston Hall
	5.00pm	Vigil Mass - Fourth Sunday of Lent	Jim & Gwen Muskin RIP
Sunday 15th March	9.30am	Mass - Fourth Sunday of Lent	Margaret Kay RIP Anniversary
	11 am	Baptism Jasmin Sealeaf Baptism Theo Graham	

Father Mike would like to thank everyone for their concern, prayers and well wishes. He is feeling fine and raring to go with everything back to normal.

CAFOD Lent Appeal – Family Fast Day collection this Weekend

We will be holding a Second Collection on Sunday for anyone who missed the opportunity to make a donation last Sunday due to the unexpected curtailment of the Mass.
or donate online at Cafod.org.uk

Deacon John invites you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.
Topic: Stations of the Cross
Time: Mar 4, 2026 7:00pm and every Wednesday during Lent

Join Zoom Meeting

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With every good wish Deacon John



**Last week's Envelopes
& Loose Plate £496.61
Card Machine £107**

Thank you



The Card machine at the back of church is a convenient way of making donations to support the Mission of the Church in **St Anne's**, or there are options to support the **Red Boxes/ Missio and the SVP**
Alternatively, please scan QR code to take you to our donation web page or <https://donate.myдона.com/st-anne-nantwich>

Missio Red boxes – Please bring your boxes to church and hand them to **Pauline Binnie** our Missio Local Secretary

Network Rail level crossing work opposite church

From midnight to 8.30 am on Sundays 8 March & 15 March

200 Club February Winners

- 1st £100 Toni Mathie
- 2nd £60 Anne Pearson
- 3rd £40 Jeremy Park

SVP Fortnightly meetings

Please note the meetings will be on Wednesday afternoons at 2pm until the end of March. Next meeting is on 18th March

**POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION
MARCH 2026**

In March, we pray for nations to move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and for world leaders to choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.



LENTEN DAYS:
GRACE-GOD'S
FREE GIFT

Led By, Retreat Centre Team
18th, 25th February, 11th March 2026
9.30 am - 4.15 pm. Donation £30

Enrich your Lenten journey through the transformative embrace of scripture, reflection, adoration and prayer. Experience Lent through a unique process of engagement that draws you deeply into this holy season.

There is much wisdom in a text from the Psalm: *'Be still, and know that I am God' (Psalm 46:10).*

Our God who is rich in love and mercy, blesses us all as we journey towards Easter.



**Confirmation Programme
2026**

The sacrament of Confirmation will take place at St Anne's on **Wednesday 29th April at 7pm**. Bishop Mark will celebrate the Confirmation Mass. The programme for the candidates commenced this week. Next class is at 6pm on Wednesday 11th March

Contact Mary Pettifor on 07581496061 or marypettifor@icloud.com

Lenten Talks 2026 (please note change to previously advertised dates)

Christian Heritage and Catholic Culture
All talks begin at 7.00 pm

19th March: St Mary's Crewe

Fr. Michael Coughlan, 'Dominion, How the Christian Revolution Remade the World'

26th March: St Gabriel's, Alsager,

Fr. Michael Morton and Fr Nick Kern; 'Pope Benedict XVI's Address to the UK Parliament.'

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Pilgrims

You are invited to join members of Churches Together as we visit one another's churches for Sunday worship.

- To worship God alongside brothers and sisters from the member churches of Churches Together in Nantwich.
- To enjoy one another's fellowship and to get to know one another better as Christians within our town
- To experience and understand the ways in which we worship in our different communities.

For information please email: canondavid12@uwclub.net

Our first Pilgrim visit of 2026 will be to **St Anne's RC Church on Saturday 7th March at 5:00 p.m.** for the Vigil Mass. Meet at 4:45 p.m. at St Anne's.

Privacy Notice The parish of St Anne's sometimes collects personal information about parishioners. All personal information is collected, processed and stored in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulations. This is retained only as necessary and used by the Parish/Diocese for the benefit of the Parish and for legitimate reasons such as administrative and religious purposes.

You can read our full privacy notice at:

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Mission Together Lenten Calendar 2026



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
We will soon begin our Lenten journey to Easter. We pray that we may use this time to grow in faith, hope, and love.	17 Shrove Tuesday Why do we eat pancakes the day before Lent starts? *	18 Ash Wednesday Why are ash crosses traced on our forehead today? *	19 Why does Lent last forty days? *	20 With your class, reflect and pray with the 1st and 2nd Stations of the Cross. +	21 In Lent, we give things up to put God and others first. What could you give up today?	22 Find a quiet place and ask God to help you pray and share more this Lent.
23 Sunday's Gospel (Mt 4:1-11) told us how Jesus spent time in the desert. Is there a still place you can go to be with God?	22 Many years ago, Lent was a name for Spring. Capture both in Mission Together's Lent through a Lens photo challenge.*	25 Jesus showed us how to be silent and still. Spend a minute being both now.	26 Find out what the word sacrifice means and why we practice this in Lent.	27 With your class reflect and pray with the 3rd & 4th Stations of the Cross. +	28 Tell your family about the Stations of the Cross and why we pray them in Lent.	1 Find a quiet place and spend a little time talking to Jesus, our God and our friend.
2 Sunday's Gospel (Mt 17:1-9) told us how, on a mountain top, Jesus shone like the sun. Where can you see God's light?	3 The start of March marks the feast of St David. Find out why he is the patron of Wales.*	4 Hear God speak to you today through: *Loved ones *The Bible *Creation	5 In Lent, we listen to God and others more carefully. How can you listen well today?	6 With your class reflect and pray with the 5th & 6th Stations of the Cross. +	7 Tell a family member three things you have learnt about Lent this week.	8 Find a quiet place and pray the Our Father for all hungry children in the world.
9 Sunday's Gospel (Jn 4:5-42) spoke of the importance of welcome and dignity. How can you show respect to others?	10 Jesus taught us to respect and include everyone. Who can you invite to play today?	11 In Lent we give more time to help others. Look for ways to help today.	12 During Lent we share more of what we have. Why is sharing important?	13 With your class reflect and pray with the 7th & 8th Stations of the Cross. +	14 Tell a family member why we pray more in Lent. Teach them your favourite prayer.	15 Mothering Sunday Ask God to bless mums and grandmas today.
16 Sunday's Gospel (Jn 9:1-41) told us how Jesus healed a blind man. How can we help others to see their goodness today?	17 Today is the feast of St Patrick. Find out why he is the patron of Ireland.*	18 Write a Lent prayer. Include the words: mercy, pray, share, Jesus, God, Holy Spirit.	19 Today is the feast of St Joseph. Find out why he is the patron of workers.*	20 With your class reflect and pray with the 9th, 10th and 11th Stations of the Cross. +	21 Tell a family member about God's love and mercy and why it is important to trust in both.	22 Find a quiet place and ask God to help you be someone who says sorry and forgives.
23 Sunday's Gospel (Jn 11:1-45) told us how Jesus brought his friend back to life. How can we raise the spirit and hope of others?	24 In Lent we reflect on God's mercy. Why is it important to be sorry and to forgive?	25 Pray a Hail Mary for people who feel worried today. Ask Mary to pray with us for them.	26 We're coming closer to Holy Week. Why is it the most special week of the Church's year?	27 With your class reflect and pray with the 12th, 13th and 14th Stations of the Cross. +	28 Tomorrow is Palm Sunday. Tell a family member about the first Palm Sunday.	29 Palm Sunday Find a quiet place and thank God for sending Jesus to love and guide us.
30 Sunday's Gospel (Mt 21:1-11) told us how Jesus entered Jerusalem on a humble donkey. What kind of king does this?	31 Holy Week Today we recall Judas' bad choice. Ask God to help you make good choices this week.	1 Today Jesus and his disciples planned the Last Supper. Thank God for the food you'll eat today.	2 Maundy Thursday Why do Priests wash the feet of others at Mass tonight?	3 Good Friday Sit quietly, be still, and thank Jesus for loving us all so much.	4 Holy Saturday Today we wait as Jesus lies in the tomb. Say a prayer for those who are grieving today.	5 Easter Sunday

Welcome to the St Annes 200 Club 2026

This will be the 22nd consecutive club year of fund raising to help our Parish meet its day to day running costs.

To date your membership has raised £52,000.

The cost increases we are continuing to experience has placed extra strain on the Parish finances, so we need as many members as possible to help us through 2026

We are looking forward to you renewing your membership - or most importantly: JOINING OUR COMMUNITY IF YOU ARE NOT ALREADY A MEMBER.

You might win £100 every month!!

The subscription cost is £52 for the year, or two 6 monthly instalments of £26.

There are 3 ways to subscribe:

1. By credit transfer to:
SRCDT - 234025 St Annes
Sort code: 30 - 15 - 52
Ac no. 54643760
Ref. 200 Club

I would appreciate you contacting me by phone, text, or email if you choose this way to ensure we don't miss your transfer.

2&3. By cash or cheque.

Please put your envelope in the mass collection, or either post it to me, or drop it off into the Presbytery post box.

Please make cheques payable to St Anne's Church. If you are paying cash, please include your name.

My contact details are:

Address: The Laurels, London Road, Stapeley, CW5 7JU

Ph: 07968520276

email: mjwilcock64@gmail.com



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Foundation Governor

Start Date: As soon as possible

The governors at St Thomas More are currently seeking a Foundation Governor.

This faith led appointment for a practising Catholic, is required, to support the governing body in ensuring the school continues to its formation and spiritual growth along with academic success for the young people of Crewe and the surrounding areas.

The role will involve governor meetings through the year. This may be up to 9 meetings, depending on which committee you sit on. Our structure requires everyone to attend the 6 Local Governing Board and Dignity of Education meetings throughout the year, and those with an interest in finance, will attend an extra 3 meetings. Meetings involve deciding on policies and school practice and to hold robust discussions to ensure the school growth is optimised.

Please email recruitment@st-thomasmore.cheshire.sch.uk if you are interested in the post, or if you simply want to find out more details. We are a friendly group who are invested in the highest standards for our Catholic high school.