



Thank you for the flowers this week which have been kindly donated.

The funeral of **Ethel Williams** will take place on **Tuesday 3rd February at 11.30am** at Landican South Chapel. All welcome to attend and are invited afterwards to The Queen's, New Brighton. Ethel worshipped at Holy Cross for many years. Please pray for Ethel's family at this sad time.

Wednesday 28th January. There will be **NO** Holy Communion at 10am.

Advance Notice – PCC meeting on Wednesday 28th January has been moved to **Wednesday 4th February at 7pm.**

Church Cleaning Team - We are a very small team and would greatly value some help from our more able-bodied members of our congregation. An hour of your time each month would be so very much appreciated. Please see Mary Milne or Wendy Deverill for more information. *Thank you*

Donations to Flowers in Church 2026 - Donations to Flowers in Church 2026. There are still lots of Sundays available in 2026 to sponsor flowers in church. This is a lovely way to remember a loved one or to celebrate a birthday or anniversary, while helping to keep our church looking beautiful. If you would like to take a date, please contact Jo Hipps (07866 955054) to reserve your Sunday. The cost remains £20. Payments should be made to Sue Treanor in the Parish Office, who will also note your chosen date and pew sheet message. Thank you for your support.

100 Club Membership – Advance Notice - Thank you for supporting the 100 Club and supporting our church. For existing members who pay the annual subscription of £60, your renewal is now due to ensure you are included in the **March** draw. Please post your cheque to the Parish Office, place it in the church donation box in an envelope with your name clearly marked, or contact the Parish Office for our bank details. We are also keen to welcome new members to the 100 Club. Joining is a simple way to help support the daily running costs of the church, while also taking part in the monthly draw. If you would like to join or would like further information, please contact the Parish Office.

100 Club Draw for January: 1st = 25 / 2nd = 31 / 3rd = 30

Holy Cross Church, Woodchurch

Growing disciples of Christ

SUNDAY 25TH JANUARY 2026
THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY

Welcome!

Welcome to everyone here today! A particular welcome if you are with us for the first time. Please do stay for refreshments after the 10am service in the Parish Community Hall. **Gluten free wafers** are available; please ask one of the Sidespeople.

Collect: God of all mercy, your Son proclaimed good news to the poor, release to the captives, and freedom to the oppressed: anoint us with your Holy Spirit and set all your people free to praise you in Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Post Communion: Almighty Father, whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world: may your people, illumined by your word and sacraments, shine with the radiance of his glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen**

Readings for 8am and 10am – YEAR A

1st Reading (**8am & 10am**) 1 John 3. 22-end and
1 John 4. 1-6

Psalm (**8am**) Psalm 27

Gospel (**8am & 10am**) Matthew 4: 12-17, 23-end

8.00am	Holy Communion – <i>Preacher Rev Janet</i>
10.00am	Holy Communion – <i>Preacher Rev Janet</i>
	<i>Hymns at 10am: 314/17/715/352/598/313/221</i>
12 Noon	NO Baptism



CHURCH DIARY FOR THE WEEK AHEAD:

<u>Monday</u>	26 th Jan	9.00am	Morning Prayer in Church
		2.00pm	Craft Club in Jubilee Rooms
<u>Wednesday</u>	28 th Jan	10.00am	NO Holy Communion
		10.00am	Church Cleaning
		1.15pm	Community Café in the Parish Community Hall
<u>Thursday</u>	29 th Jan	7.00pm	Growth Group - TBC
<u>Saturday</u>	31 st Jan	11.00am	Thanksgiving Service in Church

SUNDAY, 1ST FEBRUARY 2026 THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY

8.00am	Holy Communion	1 st Reading	Malachi 3: 1-5 (8am)
10.00am	All Age Service with Holy Communion	Psalm	24 (8am)
12 Noon	NO Baptism	Gospel	Luke 2: 22-40 (8am & 10am)

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Sun: Grasswood Road. Mon: Greenwood Road.
Tue: Home Farm Close. Wed: Home Farm Road.
Thu: Hoole Road. Fri: Houghton Road.
Sat: Huddleston Close.

Those who are ill:

Liz, Carmel, Audrey (S), Jenny, Daisy, Pat, Beryl,
 Irene, Paul, Joyce, Elsie, Lesley, Ray

We remember those who have died and pray for those who mourn their passing:

Ethel Williams



"Give rest O Christ to your servants with the saints, where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing but life everlasting. Amen"

Years Mind

Gerald Hancox, Lily Shine, Leslie Heather, Lilian Briton, Frederick Unwin

Our verse for the year

"Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by your name; you are Mine!"

Isaiah 43 v 1

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