



**Do join us for refreshments
after Mass today**

St Anne in the Grove, Southowram

Sunday 3 May 2026

This week –

Monday 4th 1pm-3pm St Anne's Crafty Souls
Craft Group meets in the Community Hall

Wednesday 6th No Mass today

Next Sunday: 10th May – Easter 6
9.30am Parish Mass

*To help you prepare for our worship why not look up
the readings we will use: Acts 17:22-31;
1 Peter 3:13-22; John 14:15-21*

Tuesday 12th May, 7pm in the Hall
our APCM – Annual Parish Church Meeting,
*when we receive reports from the past year, elect
Churchwardens, PCC & Deanery Synod Reps.*

*The Revised Electoral Roll is also received.
If you are not on the Electoral Roll and would
like your name added (after meeting the usual
requirements) please complete a form today.
Forms available at the back of Church.*

This is an important meeting in the life of our
Parish, please make a special effort to be there!

Wednesday 27th May, 6pm
Confirmation Service with Bishop Stephen
*Anyone interested in being confirmed,
please have a word with Fr Nigel*

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**Welcome to our Parish Mass
on the 5th Sunday of Easter**

A special welcome if you are visiting.
If you require Gluten free altar bread - please have
a word with one of the Welcomers at the door.

Hymns: 216; 217; 219; 490; 205

It is good to welcome Fr Keith Perkinson
as our Celebrant & Preacher today.

*There's a contactless payment facility at the back of
Church and if you pay tax please make use of the Gift
Aid envelopes – it helps us a great deal - Thank you!*

Please stay for refreshments afterwards

During the week please pray for:

Our neighbours in Fairburn Court, Fairfax Crescent
and our sister parish of King Cross

Monday – give thanks for the Resurrection
Tues. – for peace in the troubled areas of the world
Wednesday - our PCC and Church Officers
Thurs. – Archdeacon Bill Bravinor
Fri – for housebound members of our congregations
Sat. for our lessons readers and Intercessors

Those who are sick or in need:

Deborah Golding, Tom Hogan, John Greenwood,
Paula Mead, Graham Firth, Mary Haward,
Tony Hill, Bernadette Lister-Pollard,
Stanley Sunderland, Diane Metcalfe, Julie Lloyd,
John Rushworth, Audrey Martin, Rita Hansom,
Archdeacon Bill Bravinor.

The recently departed:

Avril Davies, Elaine Cousins, Elsie Kelly

Anniversaries:

Gladys Brook

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5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON O sing a new song to the Lord, for he has worked wonders;. alleluia!

OPENING PRAYER

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ have over-come death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: grant that, as by your grace going before us you put into our minds good desires, so by your continual help we may bring them to good effect; through Jesus Christ our risen Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING (Acts 7: 55-60)

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Standing before the high priest and the council, Stephen, filled with the Holy Spirit, gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. 'Look,' he said, 'I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!' But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, 'Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.' Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, 'Lord, do not hold this sin against them.' When he had said this, he died.

This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Psalm 33)

**R: May your love be upon us, O Lord,
as we place all our hope in you.**

Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just;
For praise is fitting for loyal hearts.
Give thanks to the Lord upon the harp,
With a ten-stringed lute sing him songs. **R:**

For the word of the Lord is faithful
And all his works to be trusted.
The Lord loves justice and right
And fills the earth with his love. **R:**

The Lord looks on those who revere him,
On those who hope in his love,
To rescue their souls from death,
To keep them alive in famine. **R:**

SECOND READING (1 Peter 2: 2-10)

A reading from the First Letter of Peter

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stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture: 'See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.'

To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe, 'The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner,' and 'A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall.' They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvellous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John.

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