**Have you been worshipping at St. Thomas’ for 6 months, are you on our Electoral Roll?** In April the Annual Parochial Church Meeting will take place, as part of the preparation for that, we need to ensure that the Electoral Roll is up-to-date. If you have been attending St Thomas’ for 6 months, have you completed the simple form to include your name on our Electoral Roll? Please do have a chat with Mike Kilshaw or Glenys Cole.

**Easy Fundraising** – this online facility means you can raise FREE donations for us every time you shop online. Over 6,000 shops and sites will donate to us when you use ‘easyfundraising’ to shop with them. Please sign up on our ‘easyfundraising’ page: <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stthomasblackpool>before you buy online. THANK YOU!

**SMALL GROUPS** meeting for Bible Study, fellowship and journeying deeper together with Jesus **–** launch evening on Wednesday 9th March in church, where we hope everyone will get together, pray together and be introduced to the pattern we will follow, thereafter the groups will be meeting on different days during the week in people’s homes. If you have not already done so, please sign up – sheets at the back of church.

*Service schedule for the next couple of weeks:*

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| **Sunday 13thFebruary**  3rdSunday before Lent | 10.30am Holy Communion  Reading: Matthew 28: 16 - 20  Leader/Celebrant: DOB Preacher: CB  Theme: Being witnesses/sharing our faith  6pm Prayer Gathering DOB/VB |
| **Wednesday 16thFebruary** | 11am BCP Holy Communion  Reading: Matthew 20: 1 - 16  Leader/Celebrant: DOB Preacher: VB |
| **Sunday 20thFebruary**  2ndSunday before Lent | 10.30am Service of the Word  Reading: Matthew 5: 13 - 16  Leader: ES Preacher: DOB  Theme: Being witnesses/through our lives  6pm Prayer Gathering/Breaking of Bread SH/CB |
| **Wednesday 23rdFebruary** | 11am BCP Holy Communion  Reading: Luke 8: 4 - 15  Leader: ES Celebrant: DOB Preacher: YB |
| **Sunday 27thFebruary**  Sunday before Lent | 10.30am Holy Communion with Prayer for Healing  Reading: Luke 10: 1 – 12  Theme: Being witnesses/Praying for healing  Leader/Celebrant: DOB Preacher: CB  6pm Prayer Gathering DOB/IL |
| **Wednesday 2nd March**  **ASH WEDNESDAY** | 11am BCP Holy Communion  Reading: Matthew 6 : 16 - 21  Leader: ES Celebrant: ES Preacher: DOB |

Our morning and evening readings for the coming week:

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|  | **Morning Readings** | **Evening Readings** |
| Monday 14th February  Cyril and Methodius, missionaries,869 and 885; *Valentine, martyr at Rome, c 269* | Psalm 44;  Genesis 24: 1 – 28;  1 Timothy 6: 1 – 10 | Psalm 47;  2 Chronicles 2: 1 – 16;  John 17: 1 - 5 |
| Tuesday 15th Feb  *Sigfrid, bishop, 1045*  *Thomas Bray, priest, founder of SPCK and SPG, 1730* | Psalm 48;  Genesis 24: 29 – end;  1 Timothy 6 : 11 – end | Psalm 50;  2 Chronicles 3;  John 17: 6 - 19 |
| Wednesday 16Th Feb | Psalm 119: 57 – 80;  Genesis 25: 7 – 11, 19 – end; 2 Timothy 1: 1 - 14 | Psalm 59; 2 Chronicles 5;  John 17 : 20 - end |
| Thursday 17th Feb  Janani Luwum, archbishop, martyr, 1977 | Psalm 57;  Genesis 26: 34 – 27: 40;  2 Timothy 1: 15 – 2: 13 | Psalm 62;  2 Chronicles 6: 1 – 21;  John 18: 1 - 11 |
| Friday 18th Feb | Psalm 51; Genesis 27: 41 – end of chp 28;  2 Timothy 2: 14 – end | Psalm 38; 2 Chronicles 6: 22 – end; John 18 : 12 - 27 |
| Saturday 19th Feb | Psalm 68; Genesis 29: 1 – 30; 2 Timothy 3 | Psalm 66; 2 Chronicles 7; John 18: 28 - end |

**(the LORD said…) Now my eyes will be open and my ears attentive to the prayers offered in this place.**