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In Church Second Sunday of Christmas Saturday 1st January Mass 11.00am Sacred Heart. Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God. Saturday 1st January Vigil Mass for Sunday 6.00pm **Sacred Heart** Sunday 2nd January Sunday Mass **Sacred Heart** 9.30am Sunday Mass 11.15am Holy Saviour Tuesdav 4th January No church services today. Wednesday 5th January No church services today. Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord. Thursday **6th January** Holy Day of Obligation. Mass 10.00am **Holy Saviour** Mass 7.00pm Sacred Heart Friday No church services today. 7th January Saturday 8th January No Confessions today. Saturday 8th January Vigil Mass for Sunday 6.00pm Sacred Heart Sunday 9th January **Sunday Mass Sacred Heart** 9.30am Sunday Mass 11.15am Holy Saviour Today is the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. This Feast closes Christmastide.

The above notice will indicate that I shall be away for this week and will not be available. Please wait until after the 8th January to contact me by phone or email. The office can be contacted by email or phone. You are likely to get a quicker response if you can email <u>enquiries@goodshepherdpendle.org.uk</u> Phone messages are checked regularly but not every day. Please be patient and someone will get back to you if you leave a message.

I would also like to thank you for your many prayers, cards, good wishes and Christmas gifts over the Festive Period. I am very grateful and appreciative of your kindness and support. My apologies if you have not received a personal thank you.

With every good wish and blessing for 2022.

Fr. Peter.

Sacramental Programme (For children)

The next series of Sunday Masses followed by lessons to prepare for Holy Communion and Reconciliation begins this month. Please see the Sacramental Programme page on the website for information.

The dates are every second Sunday starting this Sunday, 9th January.

Each session requires attendance at the 9.30am Mass followed by an instruction in church.

Here are the dates of the sessions:

Session 1:9th January 2022Session 3:6th February 2022Session 5:6th March 2022

Session 2: Session 4:

23rd January 2022 20th February 2022

RCIA Programme (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

The next programme of information about the Catholic Church which leads to Initiation into the full membership of the Church is also beginning. Anyone who wishes to come is welcome. Although the purpose of the sessions is to prepare the participants for Initiation into the Church, there is no obligation to make a commitment simply because you have attended sessions. The purpose of the course is to give you information about the Church and to give you the opportunity to ask questions about the Church and its teachings. Although primarily organised for those who are not already Catholics, it is a place where Catholics can come to grow in their Faith and to share their Faith journey.

The first session is at Sacred Heart Church at 10.00am on Saturday 8th January. The second session is at Christ Church at 10.00am on Saturday 15th January. Further sessions will be confirmed then and advertised in the newsletter.

| White Flower Appeal 2022 | Sacred Heart Church Christmas Decorations. |
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| The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC) will be holding an appeal in our parish on the weekend of the 15th and 16th of January. | Thank you to all the parishioners who came along on Christmas Eve bringing displays for the windows and to help with the decorating. Thanks also to the children at Sacred Heart School and the Beaver and Cub Scouts. |
| SPUC is currently campaigning to protect Pro-Life | |
| speech. Pro-Life witness is being restricted now | We will be in church from 9.30am on Monday, 10th |
| more than ever, we must be able to speak freely to protect unborn babies. | January to take everything down. If you have things you would like back come along then or if you go to |
| | 9.30 Mass on the 9th there will be a short period of |
| Please be as generous as you can to help SPUC | time after Mass for you to claim them. |
| defend unborn babies and their mothers from this new attack. | Any problems ring Margaret Ward on 862798. |

Thank you for your recent generous offertory donations.

The collection for the weekend of 19th December was £751.25 The collection for the four Christmas Masses and the two Sunday Masses at Christmas totalled £1515.24.

I would also like to express sincere thanks on behalf of the parish for a very generous bequest from the estate of Harry Heckford. His legacy has certainly helped to off-set some of our losses over the last twenty months. Please remember him in your prayers. May he rest in the peace of Christ.