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This week 27th November.

1st Sunday of Advent

Saturday Vigil Mass, 6.00pm,
Sunday Mass, 9.30am.

Key:	Ap.	Apostle
	Bp	Bishop
	D	Doctor of the Church
	M	Martyr
	P	Priest
	V	Virgin

Tuesday 10.00am Mass.

Wednesday 10.00am Eucharistic Service St. Andrew Ap

Thursday 5.45pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction
6.30pm. Mass

Friday 10.00am Mass.

Saturday 11.00am - 11.30am Confessions during Exposition
St. Francis Xavier P

6.00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday.

next week 4th December 2nd Sunday of Advent
Sunday Mass: Saturday Vigil 6.00pm,
Sunday, 9.30am.

Christmas Fair,

This Sunday 27th November in the hall 10.30am to 12.30pm.

Please come along and help raise money for repairs and maintenance of our Church Hall.

We are delighted to announce an exciting new venture by the parish to support the local community.

SVP Warm Space and food bank at Sacred Heart Hall.

From December 1st, 2022, the SVP is organising a Warm Space, for people to come, sit and have a chat, a cup of tea or coffee, a warm and a welcome, each Thursday 10.00am-12.30pm. All welcome.

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many people of Pendle who are struggling at the moment. Could you buy a few extra items each week when you go shopping? Cereal, tins of soup, tinned meat, beans, tea, coffee, long life milk, biscuits, chocolate, toilet rolls, toiletries, nappies, sanitary products etc.

Please put them in the box at the back of church.

No fresh food thank you. The need is very great. Please help.

SVP Santa Express

Last year, thanks to your amazing generosity, the SVP were able to give Christmas presents to 79 poor children in the local area. This year things are even worse for some families who are struggling to put food on tables at the moment, and Christmas is a time to dread. To help these families we are again collecting toys and games to distribute to the poor.

At the back of the Church is a Christmas tree. If you are able to buy a gift for a child from a poor family please take a gift tag off the tree. There will be a box at the back of the church from next Sunday (27th) for your donations. Please be generous and bring a bit of magic into a child's life. Thank you.

SVP Request

Does anyone have a double buggy which they no longer need? It is for a single mum who is really struggling at the moment. We are looking for one that can transport a new baby and a toddler? The SVP would be happy to pay for a second-hand one. Please phone 01282 854437. Thanks

Weekly income.

Once again I apologise for not keeping you up to date with our income. The problem is that I can't tell you what the income is on a weekly or even monthly basis. Because our income has significantly reduced since pre-Covid, and since the local banks have closed, the collections are only counted fortnightly. The 'loose' collection is recorded for each week as is required by the Inland Revenue, but envelopes and gift-aided income are recorded fortnightly, which can go over the month end. I can tell you that the last fortnight brought in £792 in gift aided and non gift aided was £326.58 which gives an average of £549 each week in church. In addition you very generously give an average of approximately £250 per week in standing orders. Thanks to your gift aided donations I am delighted to tell you that we have just received our Gift Aid return from the Tax Office which is £17,000. That is tremendous and we are so grateful to those of you who gift aid your donations. Very many thanks. Fr. Peter

Bishop Raymond of the diocese of Chinhoyi, Zimbabwe.

Thank you for your generosity so far which has brought in about £500 but money is still coming in. I'll send what we've got after this weekend and let you know the total.

Fr. Peter.

Barton Grange trip Wednesday 7th December

There is one seat remaining for this trip with the Friendship and Bereavement Group.

It departs at 9.30 am, returns at 2.00 pm. Cost £16.00.

Any enquiries, please ring 549988 or 07745 375742.

My apologies to the Scots or anyone with a devotion to St. Andrew. I shall not be here for Mass on the Feast Day on Wednesday because I've got to attend our annual update training on Safeguarding which this time is being held in Oldham. I think I've only been there once and that was because I was lost! Hopefully I'll find my way there and back. Fr. Peter



*Neighbours helping neighbours
in Pendle*

PUTTING FOOD ON TABLES PROJECT

**COME AND JOIN US
AT THE
SACRED HEART
CHURCH HALL
QUEEN STREET, COLNE
WARM SPACE**

**For a cup of tea or coffee,
a chat,
a warm and a welcome.**

**Thursdays
10.00am-12.30pm**

All welcome



Food vouchers
available from
schools / church
Open 1st December



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Mat: 25:35

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Please bring any items of shopping you can spare and leave in the boxes at the back of church each week.

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Due to the great need and high number of people requesting help, struggling mums with children are being turned away from food banks—we must help !

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Several people have asked what sort of food is useful to the foodbank. Below is a list of the sort of donations people with families need.

We hope you find this list helpful.

Please be generous.



Food for Families

Milk (UHT or powdered) / Sugar /
Soup / Fruit juice (carton) / Pasta sauces /
Tea bags / Sponge pudding (tinned) / Ce-
reals / Tomatoes (tinned) / Rice pudding
(tinned) / instant coffee / Instant mash po-
tato / Rice / pasta / Tinned meat / tinned
fish / Tinned vegetables / Tinned fruit /
Jam / Biscuits or snack bars

Toiletries / sanitary products / nappies