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This week 11th December 2022.

3rd Sunday of Advent "Gaudete!"

**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. St Lucy	V M
Wednesday	10.00am	Mass. St John of the Cross	D
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	
	6.00pm	Vigil Mass for Sunday.	

next week 18th December 4th Sunday of Advent
**Sunday Mass: Saturday Vigil 6.00pm,
Sunday, 9.30am.**

SVP Warm Space and food bank at Sacred Heart Hall.

The SVP is now up and running with 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.

The "Warm Space" is for everyone, not just those who have need of the food bank!

If you fancy somewhere to go to be with others in a warm and friendly place, to have a brew and perhaps play a card game or board game, come along!

Many of you have asked how we can help the poor families in our area. So we are also operating a food bank for some of the 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.



Preparing the Church for the Celebration of Christmas.

If you and your family would like to be part of the preparations for Christmas in church, please note that church will be open on **Christmas Eve morning (Sat. 24th) from 10.00am for a couple of hours or so.** If you are interested in 'adopting' a window bottom please ring Margaret on 862798. Anything else just come along.

Christmas Masses will be the Family Vigil Mass at 6.00pm and Christmas Day Mass at 10.00am (not the usual Sunday 9.30am Mass. It's a special Day!)

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 is a box at the back of the church for your donations. Please be generous and bring a bit of magic into a child's life. Thank you.

Do you have any warm, winter woollens, clean and in good condition, which could keep someone warm this winter?

I've been approached by someone associated with a group in the town who are collecting warm, woollen garments to keep people warm. They are looking for hats, scarves, gloves, jumpers etc. They must be clean and in good condition. Supporting peoples' dignity is as important as the items that you give them. Suitable items can be left at the back of church for collection. Thank you.



For those of you who are already making entries into next year's diary, here's one for you:

Catenian Burns Night

The Broughton-in-Craven circle of the Catenian Association is having a Burns Night event on Saturday 28th January 2023 at Colne Golf Club.



The event will be celebrated with poems, short speeches, plenty of jokes and of course good food. Cost £30.00 per person.

If you are interested, please contact Pius 07599840018.



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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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No fresh food thank you.

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

The need is very great. Please help

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!

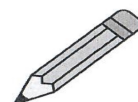
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Several people have asked what sort of food is useful to the foodbank. Below is a list of the sort of donations people with families need.

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