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## This week 4th December 2022. 2nd 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. St Nicholas Bp
Wednesday	10.00am	Mass. St Ambrose Bp D
Thursday	5.45pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction
	6.30pm.	Mass <b>Immaculate Conception of the BVM</b>
Friday	10.00am	Mass. St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin
	1.00pm	Requiem Mass for Dymphna Brett RIP
Saturday	11.00am - 11.30am	Confessions during Exposition Our Lady of Loreto
	6.00pm	Vigil Mass for Sunday.

**next week 11th December 3rd Sunday of Advent**  
**Sunday Mass: Saturday Vigil 6.00pm,**

## Christmas Fair

Thank you to those of you who came down to our Fair. As a result of your generosity and that of those who donated lots of items we made £795. (In addition, the African craft stall made an extra £45 for Bp Raymond). Thanks to everyone who worked hard, in many ways, before or on the day to make the Fair a success both socially and financially. Thanks are also due to the 'refreshment team' who provided everything at their own expense.

## 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.

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.

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



## Preparing the Church for the Celebration of Christmas.

Last year we maintained Advent right up until Christmas Eve and then had a flurry of activity in church setting up the Crib, Trees, Window decorations, children's contributions etc on Christmas Eve morning. It was a great time. Once again we invite you to come along and help, adopt a window-sill or bring along something the children have made and find a home for it. Let's once again have a really Parish-Family Christmas.

**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!)

**Church Cleaning.** Tuesday is the first Tuesday of the month and so we are again asking for people to come and help for an hour or so with church cleaning after the 10.00am Mass (10.30 ish)

**Friendship and Bereavement Group** - there is no meeting this week because of the Barton Grange trip.

## 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.

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## Bishop Raymond of the diocese of Chinhoyi, Zimbabwe.

Thank you for your generosity so far which has brought in £717.40 which I will send off to him this week. Very well done and thank you for your generosity considering the other collections and demands which are surrounding you at the moment.

*Fr. Peter.*

## Retired Clergy Fund.

This collection brought in £143.73. Clearly it was one push too far. However, you might be interested to know that we currently have 96 diocesan priests working in the diocese and 71 diocesan priests who are retired and need their accommodation and allowances to be found.

**Offertory Collections** for the last two weeks brought in £1,736.57 which includes a large donation, but averages a terrific £868.285 each week. Very many thanks.

## Barton Grange trip Wednesday 7th December

This trip is now fully subscribed. Coach departs Sacred Heart at 9.30am.

# 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!

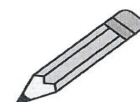
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Several people have asked what sort of food is useful to the foodbank. Below is a list of the sort of donations people with families need.

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