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6.00pm. Vigil Mass 29th Week in Ordinary Time
9.30am. Sunday Mass
leacon Rev. Damian Buggie to speak to us about the Permanent Diaconate.
10.00am Eucharistic Service St John Paul II pope
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Exposition and Benediction 5.45pm - 6.25pm Mass 6.30pm. St Anthony Mary Claret Bp 10.00am. Mass.
 11.00-11.30am Confessions during Exposition SS Chad and Cedd. Bps 6.00pm. Vigil Mass 30th Week in Ordinary Time 9.30am. Sunday Mass

World Mission Sunday this weekend 19 & 20 October

World Mission Sunday is our chance to show love and solidarity to our brothers and sisters overseas. In offering our prayers, we join with missionaries everywhere in communion and compassion to support them in spreading the Good News, and by giving a donation we respond to Christ's call to share our faith in Jesus so that all may experience God's love.

The funds raised build much-needed infrastructure, from chapels and schools to orphanages, clinics and dispensaries. World Mission Sunday is one of only three Papal collections and has been especially chosen by the Holy Father to support the mission of the Church in the world via Missio. There will be a retiring collection (in the bucket at the back of church) for any donations.

Parliamentary debate on assisted suicide happening now!

Watch: actor and disability rights advocate Liz Carr's BBC documentary on assisted suicide, Better Off Dead? where she examines the impact of one of the world's most extreme assisted suicide laws in Canada. **Watch for free online**: <u>righttolife.org.uk/betteroffdead</u>

Read Cardinal Nichols' Pastoral Letter

Jonathan Hinder (local MP) has said that he has not yet decided how to vote, but he will vote, not abstain. The letters and emails from constituents, he says, will be a big part of his consideration. Write: to your MP. jonathan.hinder.mp@parliament.uk London letter address: House of Commons, London SW1A 0AA Phone: your MP. Colne office: 01282 503316

Dates for your Diary!

After 9.30 Mass on **Sunday 24th November** there is going to be a **fund-raising Coffee Morning and Fair** in the Church Hall. Refreshments will be available.

Starting on Sunday 27th October we will be grateful for donations of unwanted gifts, bottles or small items for the Tombola and Raffle prizes.

There will also be a Craft Stall so you can buy Christmas cards and gifts.

On Saturday 23rd of November and before Sunday Mass on the 24th of November, please bring 'goodies' for the cake stall.

Making Christmas Wreaths.

There will be a workshop on Thursday 21st November from 12.30p.m. making Christmas Wreaths for doors, table decorations and grave-side decorations.

If you would like to come and learn a new skill, from a professional florist, and have a fun afternoon - all materials and refreshments provided, please come and join us. Cost $\pounds 15$. Sign up at the back of the church so we know roughly, how many we are catering for. Pay on the day.

The Annual All Souls Cemetery Mass will be celebrated on All Souls Day, Saturday 2nd November, in Sacred Heart Church at 11.00am. It will be followed by the blessing of graves in the cemetery.

New Toys for Christmas collection.

We will be collecting new toys for needy children for Christmas starting **next weekend**. The collection will close on Sunday 8th December. Last year your generosity brought 500 gifts to children in Nelson and Colne. As in previous years we are collecting gifts for children aged 6 months to 11 years. There is no need to wrap your gifts - we will take care of that.

Send a Shoebox to help a child in need!

Every year, young children around the world experience Christmas without receiving any toys to play with. You can make a big difference to a little one's life this Christmas by sending a Christmas Shoebox filled with toys, personal care items, school supplies and fun gifts to a child today. You can even write your own personal message to put inside your shoebox gift to wish the recipient a very Merry Christmas! Go to <u>www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child</u> to access resources, and find out how to make and send your own Christmas shoebox. You can even use the Samaritan's Purse online shop to send a shoebox digitally!

Synod theme – Building ConnectionsThe summary leaflet on theme 2 (Building Connections) was distributed at masses last weekend. It can also be accessed via this link:https://dioceseofsalford.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/Summary-Leaflet-Two-1.pdf

You are invited to reflect on the theme and to make proposals for actions at a meeting on Sunday 20th October at 10.30am in the Saints Peter and Paul meeting room in the presbytery. Alternatively, a suggestion box will be available at the back of the church over the next two weeks for those who wish to make proposals in this way.

Synod Prayer: Loving Father, be with us as we seek new ways of being your people in our Diocese. May each new day bring us closer to your son Jesus,

as we follow his teaching and become disciples of love.

As we continue our Synodal journey, draw us closer to each other. May the truth of your Spirit enlighten us. Open our hearts, as we listen to each other and reach out in love to your people.

Stay with us, Lord, on our journey. Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Pray for Us. St Joseph, Pray for Us.

Sacramental Programme 2024-2025

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