

**THE GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH
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Saturday 30th 6.00pm. Vigil Mass First Sunday of Advent
Sunday 1st 9.30am. Sunday Mass

Tuesday 3rd 10.00am Mass St. Francis Xavier. P
 Wednesday 4th 10.00am Mass St John Damascene P D

Thursday 5th Exposition and Benediction 5.45pm - 6.25pm
 Mass 6.30pm.

Friday 6th Mass 10.00am. St Nicholas Bp

Saturday 7th 11.00am - 11.30am Confessions during Exposition
 St Ambrose Bp D

Saturday 7th 6.00pm. Vigil Mass Second Sunday of Advent
Sunday 8th 9.30am. Sunday Mass

Key:	Ap.	Apostle
	Ab	Abbott
	Bp	Bishop
	D	Doctor
	M	Martyr
	P	Priest
	R	Religious
	V	Virgin

New Sunday Missals are available.

The ones with Hodder and Stoughton on the spine are £15.45. The others CTS and RP are each £19.95. Payment can be made on the **card machine** which now accepts money for

1. collection money and donations,
2. piety stall (for the new missals or any objects or cards on sale) and
3. the foodbank.

Church Christmas Decorations

We will be decorating the church for Christmas on **Monday 23rd of December**. Once again we are inviting you to design and install your own displays for one or more! window bottoms. If you are able to do this please let me know, Margaret on 862798. **Further details will follow!**

Church Cleaning

There will be church cleaning on Tuesday 3rd of December after Mass (approximately 10.30)

Friendship and Bereavement group. Christmas coffee morning

The Friendship and Bereavement Group will meet on Wednesday 4th of December after Mass (approximately 10.30) for coffee and mince pies.

First meeting in the New Year

This will be on Wednesday 8th of January after Mass (approximately 10.30).

Please note that the parish office now has a new phone number 01282 942308.

Parish Support Group.

New Toys for Christmas collection.

Thank you once again for your generosity in sharing your Christmas with needy children. The toys you have donated are amazing. Just a reminder we are closing the collection for toys on 8th December. We will then distribute them to the children via the schools. If you know of any families that are struggling and would like some help, please ask them to contact us or phone 01282 854437. We promise discrete support.

Christmas Wreaths

Order or buy your Christmas Wreath and table decorations in the Church porch after Mass. Proceeds to the Parish Support Group.

Christmas Fair

Many thanks for all the help and support received for the Fair. Special thanks for your donations, to those of you who were able to attend and especially to the people who helped on the day. So far we have made over £850 to go towards church running costs. A small amount of goods are left so there will be a stall in the Hall after Sunday's Mass, call down and help us get to £900! There are three unclaimed Raffle prizes, yellow tickets 2, 29 and 135. These are also in the hall or ring me on 862798 to arrange to collect. Thank you again, Margaret

Update on the Parish Synod meetings

Please note the final meeting will be held on **Sunday December 1st** (after 9.30am mass, in Ss Peter and Paul meeting room in the Presbytery) to reflect on the two remaining topics: Enabling access and Fostering Christ-like care. The summary leaflets for both are available via these links. If you access the newsletter online, just one click will open them.

Theme 3 summary leaflet (Enabling access) :- <https://dioceseofsalford.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/Summary-Leaflet-Three.pdf>

Theme 4 summary leaflet (Fostering Christ-like care):- <https://dioceseofsalford.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/Summary-Leaflet-Four.pdf>

There are also some paper copies available in the church porch to take away.

Carol Services

The Diocese of Salford is delighted to announce the return of its Salford Diocesan Schools Singing Programme (SSP) Carol Services, which will take place in churches across the diocese this December. For a full list of dates and locations for our services, please visit <https://dioceseofsalford.org.uk/ssp-carol-services-24/>

The nearest ones to here are Thursday 12 December 6.30pm St. Mary's Burnley, Friday 13 December 6.30pm St. Alban's Blackburn and Monday 16 December 6.30pm Sacred Heart Church, Colne, in which our primary and secondary schools will be taking part.

In addition, there will also be the **Pendle and District Scout Association Carol Service** here at Sacred Heart Church on Wednesday 4th December at 6.00pm. All are welcome to all of these events.

ADVENT RETREAT (AGE 15 TO YOUNG ADULTS) AT CASTLERIGG MANOR

Bookings will close for the Advent Retreat at Castlerigg on December 11th at Midday. The open retreats at Castlerigg give teens and young adults a great way to make friends, deepen their faith, and have some fun and they usually prove very popular. The weekend costs £65 but anyone who might struggle with this is invited to get in touch. Further details – director@castleriggmanor.co.uk.

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