

The countdown to Christmas begins... we light the Advent candles. Each candle suggests a theme for us as we prepare for the coming of the Lord – the first Hope, the second Love, the third Joy, and the fourth Peace. And the last of course for Christmas itself: Christ the light of the world.

Sunday 29th November

9.30am Charles Ernest & Margaret Robinson
 11.00am Eileen Gallagher (A)
 6.30pm Frank Smith

Sunday 6th December

9.30am John & Elizabeth Watmough (A)
 11.00am Cyril Moss (A)
 6.30pm Jack Barton

Weekday Masses

Mon.	8.30am	Pat Marginson (LD)
Tues.	8.30am	Bill Dearden (A)
Wed.	8.30am	Katie Walsh
Thurs.	8.30am	One Sick
Fri.	8.30am	Norman Martin (A)
Sat.	8.30am	Barbara Ann Pennington (A)

Please pray for our sick brothers and sisters

Jayne Hodge · Kathleen Reynolds · Bridget Cain · Hazel Lee · Mary Patten · Agnes Martindale · Robert Stretton · Hilda Haworth · Mildred Bridge · Margaret and Fred Wood · Harold Sutton · Josie Down · Mary Campbell · Margaret Bower · Thomas Moss · Winifred Marshall · Gerard Baker · Hugh O'Daly · Margaret Dearden · Maureen Jackson · David Woods · Frank Morris · David Lynch · Dorothy McDonald (Howarth) · John Lilley

Golden Wedding

Congratulations to Ernie & Margaret Robinson who celebrate their Golden Wedding Anniversary. We join them in thanking God for the blessings of these fifty years and wish them a happy celebration and every blessing in the future.

And a happy birthday to Eireen Marshall who was 90 yesterday. A happy birthday Eireen, wishing you continued good health and every blessing.

Baptism

Today we welcome in Baptism Alice Teresa Whittaker. We pray for her and her family as she starts her faith journey.

Confirmations

On Tuesday we welcome Bishop John Rawsthorne who comes to "confirm" the Faith of the twenty eight children in Year 4. The service will be celebrated here in Church at 6.30pm. You are all welcome to join us. Our thanks to the Parish Confirmation Team – Lydia, Mary, Jane, Sarah - and to their teachers in school – Mrs. Wroblewski, Miss Mair, and Miss McClusky -, who have assisted the parents in preparing their children for this sacrament.... by helping them to realise that they are "confirming" the decision that their parents made when they brought them here for Baptism. This is the next step in their Faith journey... the next will be their reception of the sacraments of Confession and Communion next year. Please support them in this journey with your prayers.

Offertory Collection

Thank you for last week's collection of £982, and for the Youth Sunday collection of £299.

St. Catherine's

As we come to the end of November, the month of the Holy Souls, I have sent a donation of £100 in your name to St. Catherine's, to light a light in memory of our parishioners who have received care there.

More Coffee

We welcome the Catenians today who are celebrating their November Mass for deceased members – they invite you to join them for coffee after the 11.00am mass in the house.

Pauline's Angels

I don't know who Pauline is but the "angels" are a group of local ladies who will be providing a free Christmas meal on Christmas Day for anyone who is alone over the feast. The invitation is for anyone – especially the elderly. The meal will be held at Chorley Cricket Club and transport is available. Places can be booked by ringing Carrie on 07542 284106. As I said, I don't know who Pauline or her Angels are, but well done to them. There is a poster about it on the notice board.

200 Club

The winners this month are: 1st(£50) Nr.107 William Barnes 2nd(£30)Nr.60 Joanne Smith 3rd (£20)Nr.146 Isobel Doran

Ministering to the Assembly

Counters (30th December) Terence Donnelly and Bernard Kiley

Rotas (6th December – 2nd Sunday of Advent)

S.A.S. Janet and Pauline Critchley

Readers Terence Donnelly

Ministers Margaret Scard

Richard Jackson

Dial a Ride

Malc Scard

Sharon Hobin

Helen Mather

Edward Brierley

Terry Donnelly

Christine Crossen

Caroline Straw