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THE PARISH OF ST TERESA BENEDICTA OF THE CROSS

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SUNDAY 28th NOVEMBER 2021

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT – YEAR C

Lately Dead: *Martin Wright, Kathleen Lickley, Jane Marvin, Maria Mikiel*

Cemetery Sundays: Prayers for the dead and blessing of the graves, this Sunday at Nab Wood Cemetery –meet at the chapel at 2:00pm.

Advent Devotions: There will be Exposition, Rosary and Benediction in St Walburga's Church at 7:00pm on every Wednesday during Advent. Spend some quiet time with the Lord in preparation for Christmas.

Changes from Advent Sunday: The Bishops of England and Wales are asking all Catholics to return to Sunday Mass from this Advent Sunday. We no longer use the booking system to reserve a place in church. Corona Virus has not gone away, so we ask all parishioners to respect their neighbours by still keeping a social distance, use hand sanitiser and wear a mask in a crowded area. Please feel free to use the kneelers during Mass – but please take care! Moving one kneeler might also move the one next to it and kneeling down you might kick the kneeler behind. Lower these kneelers too, carefully, to avoid them crashing to the floor. Also, mind your toes!

Synod 2021-2023: You can contribute to the online survey [on the Diocesan website](#) . Paper versions available in church. News about the results in the coming weeks.

Singing: please sing with your masks on. This will cut down the aerosol spray that spreads the virus. Take care of yourselves and others.

Mustard Seeds: We are hoping to restart Mustard Seeds on the 2nd Sunday of Advent, 5th December.

Coffee After 9:15 Mass: Anyone willing to go on a rota to make the drinks after 9:15 Mass please let the office know. We hope to re-launch this just before Christmas.

Christmas Foodbank Appeal: We will be having our **Christmas collection** for the Foodbank on Wednesday 1st December between 12-1.00. This year we are hoping that you will continue your generosity to help support families who will be looking towards Christmas with fear and anxiety, not because they don't know whether there will be any turkeys this Christmas, but wondering if they will be able to have anything resembling a meal on the table on Christmas Day. We are appealing for 'Christmas dinner in a Can,' so that the Foodbank will have the resources to provide the basis of a meal on Christmas Day for those desperate families who they support. A can of fish or meat, a can or two of vegetables and fruit and a packet of biscuits or long-lasting cakes, together with a chocolate/sweet treat would provide a little joy for someone this Christmas. We will collect donations on the day, or they can be left at the back of either church before the day. Let us try to make this a bumper collection for the Foodbank this Christmas! Thank you in anticipation

Christmas Buffet Lunch at St Aidan's: After Mass, Friday 3rd December. £5 per person. Numbers are limited. If interested, put your name on the list in the porch of the church asap.

Let It Be Done to Me: A series of online sessions via Zoom, exploring Mary's journey to Christmas through prayer and reflection on Scripture, led by Anna Dimond. Mondays in Advent (beginning 29th November), 7-8pm. For an invitation, [email](#).

Revelation: The Youth Service's monthly youth event for young people in Years 8-13 is back! Thursday 16th December, Hinsley Hall, 5:30-7:30pm. An evening of prayer, music, games, fellowship and more focusing on the theme of 'Hope.' For more information, [email](#)

Catholic Care Vacancies: Find about vacancies [here](#) or call 0113 388 5400.



Religious Christmas Cards from Pax Christi. The three new cards have real integrity and come in a mixed pack of 10 cards and envelopes and can be ordered [online](#). The cards were produced with photographs of felt banners made for decorating St. Laurence's church in Cambridge, many years ago.

Peru Commission Collection: This First Sunday of Advent, please support the Peruvian church. Our gift helps students and projects in the poorest diocese in Lima which celebrates its Silver Jubilee next February. Many parishes were founded by Leeds priests. On behalf of those we help, thank you for your generosity.

Caritas Leeds - Criminal Justice Workshops: N°1 '*Childhood*': - *How stress from childhood experiences can change brain development and affect how the body responds to stress.* **Rescheduled for Tuesday 7th December.** Book [here](#)

The Briery Online Zoom Meditations *Thursdays, 7.30pm - 8.15pm.* Opens at 7.15pm for a chat. A simple format of praying with the Sunday Mass Readings and sharing in small groups. Zoom [meeting link](#) - Meeting ID: 820 0948 3498 - Passcode: 421659.

Counselling Service: Catholic Care are offering a free and confidential counselling service to members of our Catholic community, if you feel that you, a family member or friend might benefit from counselling support please contact us on 0113 3885400 or 07739 975008 or [email](#)

Parish Administrator: Nick Connor

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Headteacher of St Walburga's School (01274 531102): Mrs E. Fearnley

Head of School of St Anthony's School (01274 592738): Mr A. Wilkinson

Mass are Public with restricted numbers – Remember to Book for the Vigil and Sunday Masses

<p align="center"><u>Sunday 28th November</u> <u>1st Sunday of Advent – Year C</u></p>	<p align="center">5:45pm – St Walburga’s (<i>Vigil Mass</i>) 9.15am – St Walburga’s 11.00am – St Aidan’s</p>	<p align="center">Luke James Wheatley (L.D.) Lambert Family People of the Parish</p>
<p align="center"><u>Monday 29th</u></p>	<p align="center">12:00pm - St Walburga’s</p>	<p align="center">Franco Anecchini (L.D.)</p>
<p align="center"><u>Tuesday 30th</u> <u>St Andrew, Apostle</u> <u>Patron of Scotland</u></p>	<p align="center">9:00am – St Walburga’s 7:00pm – St Aidan’s</p>	<p align="center">Eileen Cresswell (L.D.) Moore and Dobbs families</p>
<p align="center"><u>Wednesday 1st December</u></p>	<p align="center">N.B. 8:00am - St Walburga’s 7:00pm St Walburga’s</p>	<p align="center">Sheila Donegan (Sick) <i>Exposition, Rosary and Benediction</i></p>
<p align="center"><u>Thursday 2nd</u></p>	<p align="center">9:00am - St Walburga’s</p>	<p align="center">Kitty Otto</p>
<p align="center"><u>Friday 3rd</u> St Francis Xavier, Priest</p>	<p align="center">9:00am – St Walburga’s N.B. 12:30pm – St Aidan’s</p>	<p align="center">Jean Emerson (L.D.) Refugees</p>
<p align="center"><u>Saturday 4th</u> <i>St John Damascene,</i> <i>Priest And Doctor</i></p>	<p align="center">10:00a.m. – St Walburga’s Vigil Mass 5:45pm – St Walburga’s</p>	<p align="center">Souls of Flight Lieutenant John Merridith DFC and Flying Officer Stephen Boxburgh People of the Parish</p>
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