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**Sunday 18th December 2016** **Fourth Sunday of Advent**  
"Stay with us, Lord on our journey."

## MINISTERIES

Week beginning Monday 12th December 2016

**Cleaning** Christmas Cleaning. All welcome. **Readers** Sat Christmas Rota **Sun** Christmas Rota  
**Eucharistic Ministers** Sat Audrey O'Malley, Tony Wright, Marie Wilson, Margaret Smith **Sun** John Brown, Fred Arkwright, Stella Arkwright, Jenny Hall. **Offertory Procession** Sat Possada Family **Sun** Volunteers **Flowers** Christmas Flower arrangers.  
**Music 4th Week** Sat 6.00pm Folk Group **Sun 10.00am** Caroline **Childrens Liturgy** Holidays

**SERVICES THIS WEEK** Mass Mon. 9.00am, Tue. 9.00am, Wed. 9.00am, **9.30am School Carol Service**,  
Thu. 9.00am, Fri. 9.00am. **Sat (Christmas Eve) 6.00pm, Sun (Christmas Day) 10.00am.**

**Confessions Saturday 10.30am - 11.00am**

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION.** Gift Aid £ 400 Loose £345 Total £745. Thank You for your generosity.

**MASS INTENTIONS** Louise Fry, Stanislaus Szczepanczyk, Richard and Monica Bailey.

**BLACKBURN FOOD BANK.** The request this week is for suitable Christmas food plus the usual items. The box is in the church porch. Thank you for your ongoing support.

**TAI CHI** in the parish centre on Fridays from 1.30 - 2.30pm.

**POSSADA** If you would like to host the figures of Joseph and Mary for one night then please sign the list in the church porch. The person on the list before you will deliver the figures to you and then you take them to the person on the list after you.

**CHRISTMAS FLOWER ARRANGING** on Monday 19th December from 9.30am onwards. Everyone welcome to give a hand in preparing the church for Christmas.

**CHRISTMAS CHURCH CLEANING** on Tuesday 20th December from 9.30am onwards. Everyone welcome to give a hand in preparing the church for Christmas.

**YEMEN DISASTER APPEAL** We have sent £250 to CAFOD for the Yemen Disaster Appeal to go to their efforts to help relieve the hunger and suffering in that country.

**ST. MARYS SCHOOL** Christmas Carol Service will be held here in church on Wednesday at 9.30am. All are welcome to come and join the children in this wonderful celebration of Christmas joy.

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS** We are in need of some new ministers to help our rota run efficiently. If you would like to volunteer your services for either the 6.00pm Saturday or 10.00am Sunday Masses can you please see Fr. Leo. Training will be given. A temporary rota covering January and February is now available in the church porch for existing ministers.

**CHRISTMAS EVE** Saturday 24th Mass at 6.00pm. As in previous years this Mass is for and with the children.

**CHRISTMAS DAY** Sunday 25th. Mass at 10.0am.

<http://www.salforddiocese.net/christmas-mass-times> will give you the Christmas Mass times of all the churches in the diocese.

**OFFERTORY PROCESSION** A new rota has been drawn up incorporating the new families who have agreed to join the rota. Copies will be available next week.

**We remember in our prayers** Father Norman Arkwright, Jean Wilson, Joan Robson, Margaret Whip, Raymond Marsh, Linda Pannuzzo, Kathleen Gooden, Martin Gooden, Jenny Kenny, Joe Kemp, Philip Broadbent, Steven Grimes, Eileen Matthews, Eamon Byrne, Toby Qigg, Nafees Bhatti, Rani Bhatti, Margaret Bolton, Mavis Dickinson, Bryn Roberts, Bernard Hargreaves, James Murphy, Mike Bagley, Patricia Grimshaw, Bert Handley, Joseph Smith, Michael Lupton, Harry Tomlinson, Rita Tomlinson. We pray for Louise Fry and all who died recently together with Fr. Peter Knowles, Lexey Islay, Richard Birch, George Warden, Thomas Warden, Mary Cooper, Stanislaw Szczepanczyk, Terence Birtwistle. and all whose anniversaries are at this time.