

ROTAS:

CLEANERS: Catherine L, Faith & Anne B (w/c 1st Dec)
CHILDREN'S LITURGY: Sarah Banks & Anne White (Sun 7th Dec)
COFFEE: Prayer Group (Sun 7th Dec)
COUNTERS: Faith Billington & Deborah Carey (w/c 7th Dec)

DIARY EVENTS:

SUN 30 th	10.00 am:	Children's Liturgy Prayer Ministry & Coffee after 10am Mass
	4.00 pm:	Advent Devotions (in church)
WED 3 rd Dec	1.15 pm:	Prayer Meeting
THUR 4 th	6.00 pm:	Cenacolo Prayers in Oratory
FRI 5 th	3.00 pm:	Divine Mercy Chaplet recited in church
SUN 7 th	10.00 am:	Children's Liturgy Prayer Ministry and Christmas Coffee Morning & Raffle after 10am Mass
	4.00 pm:	Advent Devotions (in church)



THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR DECEMBER 2025:

Let us pray that Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds of peace, reconciliation and hope.



HCPT LOURDES PILGRIMAGE: 15th – 22nd August 2026: Flying from Leeds Bradford airport, staying at Hosanna House with a beautiful chapel and fabulous views to the Pyrenees. Be part of a special week in Lourdes and have a truly life-changing experience. For more details contact Christine Jamieson (07790 503148) or Richard McDowell (northwest@hcpt.org.uk / 07721 925595).

YOUTH 2000 RETREAT in Preston on Saturday 13th December. For a truly special encounter with Jesus these retreats are filled with music, prayer, inspiring talks and great community - the perfect chance to deepen your faith and meet amazing young Catholics. Free coaches from Castlerigg Manor, Blackpool, and Fleetwood. Visit <https://castleriggmanor.com/events/>

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FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT – 30th NOVEMBER 2025

TODAY'S READINGS: Stay awake...

Advent begins with two wonderfully hopeful readings — and a warning! Jeremiah speaks to a people crushed by disaster: the Babylonians have torn them from their homeland and dragged them into exile. The Hebrews know they have sinned; was this exile their own doing? Had God finally abandoned them? Jeremiah answers with a clear and tender no: God has not given up on His people. A day will come when a righteous shoot from David's line will lead them, and Jerusalem will be safe once more. St Paul writes to the Thessalonians — unsettled by the thought that the Lord's return was close — and tells them simply to abound in love for one another, so that they may stand blameless before God when Christ comes again. These are deeply consoling words, especially beside Jesus' warning in the Gospel: strange signs in the heavens, fear, and even death. Yet He adds that when the Son of Man comes on the clouds with power and great glory, we should lift up our heads, for our redemption draws near. Waiting for the Lord's coming is the heart of this first week of Advent. And this waiting isn't passive. It's the quiet, steady readiness that uses well the time and gifts we have been given — preparing our hearts for the One who is surely coming.

...for the Lord is at hand!



CHRISTMAS RAFFLE TICKETS – WE NEED YOUR STUBS!

Please hand ticket stubs and monies and any prize donations to Ann Whelan, Pauline Brooks or one of the priests or drop them through the presbytery door **THIS WEEKEND!** Thank you.

**THE RAFFLE DRAW WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE CHRISTMAS COFFEE MORNING
IN THE PARISH CENTRE AFTER 10AM MASS ON SUNDAY 7TH DECEMBER.**



Parish Christmas Carol Service in church
Sunday 14th December at 4pm
followed by refreshments in the parish centre.

MASSSES WEEK COMMENCING SUNDAY 30th NOVEMBER 2025

Sun 30th	FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
10.00 am:	John & Elsa Whenray RIP
12.00 noon:	Fr Dan Darrigan & deceased members of the Darrigan family RIP <u>at Sedbergh</u>
6.00 pm:	Tony Wade RIP
Mon 1st December	Monday of Advent week 1
	10.00 am: Children who died young & their families
Tues 2nd	Tuesday of Advent week 1
	12.00 noon: Thanksgiving (Chris & Caroline)
Wed 3rd	St Francis Xavier
	12.00 noon: Varlien Vyner-Brooks & Kate Seligman RIP
Thurs 4th	Thursday of of Advent week 1
	12.00 noon: Fr Hugh
Fri 5th	Friday of of Advent week 1
	12.00 noon: Leslie Moore LD
Sat 6th	Saturday of Advent week 1
	9.30 am: Aunt Catherine & family RIP
	Confessions: 10 – 11am and Adoration
Sun 7th	SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
	10.00 am: Gerard Ashton LD & comfort of family
	12.00 noon: People of the parish <u>at Sedbergh</u>
	6.00 pm: Kathleen Bell RIP

KIRKBY LONSDALE: Mass on Saturday 29th November at 5.30pm will be offered for the deceased members of the Kevill family RIP and Mass on Saturday 6th December will be offered for the deceased members of the Catterall family RIP. Confessions available on request.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

SICK: Jamie Banks Wallhead, Ian Muir, Christine Stoker, Thomas Smith, Jane Johnson, Mike Nicholson, Heidi Walmsley, Edward Sykes, Sylvia Chambers, Christopher Brown, Sandra Jones, Teresa Harbatch, Olimpia McAvoy, Christine Ellwood, Maria Parrott, Moira Ferguson, Diane Dixon, Elizabeth Cartmell, Maureen Dundon, Ann Beckett, Gerard Ashton, Janet Merrett.

ANNIVERSARIES: Bradley Kelson, Walter Fleming, Vladimir Kulakov, Geoffrey Stackhouse, Barbara Fitzsimons, Florence Colman, Dorothy Towers, Frederick Holloway, Dorothy Morris, Wilhelm Mutter, Brian Hudson, Elsie Wilson, Tad Fox, Jane O'Shea, Frances Elder, Colin Reynolds, Andrew Marshall, Edward Cuniffe, Gerard Simms, Francesca Manna, Tony Wade, George McAvoy, Jerzy Pajaczkowski-Dydynski, Elizabeth Slee.

TO WATCH THE 10AM SUNDAY MASS LIVESTREAM GOOGLE **KENDAL CATHOLIC CHURCH LIVESTREAM YOU TUBE** AND FOLLOW IT FROM THERE



BISHOP'S ADVENT PASTORAL LETTER: There are a few copies of this church if you'd like to take one.

Advent Devotions 2025 – *The Rosary of the Doors* Sunday 7th December at 4:00pm

Rosary, Reflection, and Benediction

"Behold, I stand at the door and knock." (Rev 3:20)

The Door of Trust

Faith deepens in silence, obedience, and seeking.
With Zechariah and Elizabeth, Joseph, and the Magi, we open the door
of trust to the God who guides us through the dark.
"Come, Lord Jesus — make our waiting faithful."

PARISH MAGAZINE: Please send your submissions - *articles, poetry, recipes, puzzles, reflections* - for the next parish magazine to Celeste at yorkistatheart@gmail.com or Raymond at jraymonddaley@gmail.com. Thank you.



CAFOD WORLD GIFTS: Please take one of the **NEW Christmas catalogues** and have a look at the range of virtual charity gifts that help transform the lives of families and communities living in poverty. The gift you choose supports the area of work that the gift represents including Health, Water, Education and Emergencies.

EARLY NOTICE: Christmas Mass Times: Christmas Eve (Vigil) -
Kendal 6pm, Sedbergh 6.30pm, Milnthorpe 6.30pm. **Christmas Day**
- Grange 9am, Kirkby Lonsdale 9am, Kendal 10am, Arnside 11am.
There will be **NO** Midnight Mass (Christmas Eve) at Kendal.