

The Parish of St. Thomas Becket, Tarporley and St Cuthbert-by- the Forest, Mouldsworth  
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**FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**SUNDAY MASSES**

Saturday Evening 5.30 ( T )	Parish November list
Sunday Morning 9.00 ( M )	Parishioners
Sunday Morning 11.00 (T)	Martin and Julia Carey

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**FEAST DAYS OF THE WEEK**

**Wednesday :** St FRANCIS XAVIER

A day of SPECIAL PRAYER for all MIGRANTS & REFUGEES.  
Francis Xavier was born in Navarre, Spain in 1506. Whilst studying in Paris he met St IGNATIUS of LOYOLA and became one of the first JESUITS. He went to GOA, INDIA as a missionary, and from there he travelled through S.E. ASIA to JAPAN. He died in 1552 off the coast of CHINA.

**Saturday :** St NICHOLAS (Santa Claus)

Bishop of MYRA in TURKEY, Nicholas died in the 4<sup>th</sup> Century. Nothing more is known about his life, but since the 10<sup>th</sup> Century he has been widely venerated in East and West. In the 11<sup>th</sup> Century his relics were moved from MYRA to BARI, ITALY. Nicholas's reputation for generosity led to the custom of giving children gifts on his feastday, and thus to the Christmas figure of Santa Claus.

**PRAYERS** Please remember in your prayers:

Bridie Traynor and Beryl Ollerenshaw who died recently. All other anniversaries which occur at this time, especially Father John O`Sullivan who was Parish Priest here from 1986-88.

Remember too all the sick in the parish, especially Beryl Stapleton & Pat Croston, together with Eric Laird, Tom Carroll, Fred Tayman, Arthur Bristow, John Farey, Teresa Gilson, Marie Pinchin and Mary Lee.

**ADVENT:** The SEASON of PREPARATION for CHRISTMAS.

Each Sunday our liturgical celebrations focus on the ADVENT WREATH and its significance in our preparations.

Today we begin our Journey of Prayer for Advent and Christmastide with our "WALK WITH ME" booklet, and as a Parish will spend a few minutes each day in prayer and reflection.

**PETER`S PENCE**

The annual collection for our HOLY FATHER, POPE FRANCIS – To assist him with his charitable work, takes place today.

**CATH (Chester Aid to The Homeless) – WINTER CLOTHING APPEAL**

Next Sunday (7th December) the **SVP** will be collecting good, warm clothing to help the homeless in Chester. We desperately need your support in providing Men`s and Women`s winter clothing for distribution by CATH. Used Trainers are welcome in reasonable condition. If you can help, please bring your contribution along to the Masses at either church next weekend.

**CHRISTMAS CONCERT**

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> December at 530pm in St Thomas Becket, Tarporley.

**CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS/FLOWERS**

There will be a second collection on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> December for Flowers/Plants to decorate our two churches this Christmas.

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