## Reverse Advent Calendar 2022

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Nov 27 Tinned or dried food	28 Toiletries or feminine products	29 Tinned or dried food	30 Household items	Dec 1 Tinned or dried food	2 Baby supplies	3 Tinned or dried food
Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armour of light	Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth	I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth	Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away	Praise be to the LORD God, the God of Israel who alone does marvellous deeds	He will surely be gracious to you at the sound of your cry	Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low
(Romans 13:12)	(Psalm 124:8)	(Genesis 9:13)	(Matthew 24:35)	(Psalm 72:18)	(Isaiah 30:19)	(Isaiah 40:4)
4 Tinned or dried food	5 Toiletries or feminine products	6 Tinned or dried food	7 Household items	8 Tinned or dried food	9 Baby supplies	10 Tinned or dried food
May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing	You yourselves have been taught by God to love one another	I will open rivers on the bare heights, and fountains in the midst of the valleys	I am your shield; your reward shall be very great	Your people will be my people and your God my God	Bear in mind that our Lord's patience means salvation	Blessed are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD their God
(Romans 15:13)	(1 Thess 4:9)	(Isaiah 41:18)	(Genesis 15:1)	(Ruth 1:16)	(2 Peter 3:15)	(Psalm 166:5)
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He has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty	As a deer longs for flowing streams, so my soul longs for you, O God	Look forward to the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ that leads to eternal life	Do not be afraid, but let your hands be strong	I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth	So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God	Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life
(Luke 1:53)	(Psalm 42:1)	(Jude 21)	(Zechariah 8:13)	(2 Samuel 7:9)	(Galatians 4:7)	(John 3:36)
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Restore us, O God; let your face shine, that we may be saved	God has brought laugh- ter for me; everyone who hears will laugh with me	The Lord will judge the ends of the earth	Now you, my friends, are children of the promise	But there the Lord in majesty will be for us	Thus your name will be magnified for ever	She gave birth to her firstborn son, wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a mange
(Psalm 80:3)	(Genesis 21:6)	(1 Sam 2:10)	(Galatians 4:28)	(Isaiah 33:21)	(2 Samuel 7:26)	(Luke 2:7)
25 Christmas Chocolate or biscuits (no alcohol)						
To you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, who is the Messiah, the Lord					The Diocese Southw	

the Lord

(Luke 2:11)

## **HOW TO USE**

For the organiser: you will need to liaise with your local food bank to check any current needs or items that they don't want to receive, and amend the lists as appropriate. You will also need to arrange how to deliver items: do they want to receive them every week, or in one big delivery after Christmas?

For the user: find a large box or Bag for Life which you can use for your collection. Plan your shopping in advance and add some items for the food bank. The items listed for each day are just suggestions: feel free to donate other items that are needed in your area, or to make a financial donation if that is more convenient.

As part of your Advent prayer and reflection, read the line of scripture, pray for those in need and those who work to support them, and place any donation in the place you have prepared.

Check with your local foodbank what their current list of needs is. The BanktheFood app (<a href="https://bankthefood.org/App">https://bankthefood.org/App</a>) allows you to check the up to date needs of your local food bank.

Ensure that all items are in date for at least 3 months (or as advised by your food bank) and do not contain alcohol. Cigarettes are also not accepted.

## To find your local food bank:

https://www.trusselltrust.org/get-help/find-a-foodbank/

https://www.foodaidnetwork.org.uk/independent-food-banks-map

https://bankthefood.org/App

The donation suggestions below are based on the Trussell Trust website but your local foodbank might have different needs so it is best to check with them first.

Tinned, dried or long-life food: tinned meat/fish/fruit/vegetables/soup, jars of pasta sauce, dried lentils, beans and pulses, pasta, rice, biscuits, long-life UHT milk, fruit juice, packets of cereal.

Toiletries or feminine hygiene products: soap, shower gel, shampoo, sanitary towels, tampons, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, hand sanitiser.

Household items: washing up liquid, laundry detergent, toilet paper, cleaning items

Baby supplies: nappies, baby wipes, jar or packet baby food, baby toiletries.