



The Catholic Parish of The Sacred Heart, Darwen

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"Ask, and it will be given to you."

17th Sunday Ordinary Time - Year C

28th July 2019

	St. Joseph's	St. Edward's	
Sunday	9.00 a.m.	11.00 a.m.	17 th Sunday Ordinary Time
Monday	9.15 a.m.		Rosary
Tuesday		10.00 a.m.	Mass - followed by coffee morning
Wednesday	9.15 a.m.		Mass
Thursday		9.15 a.m.	Mass
Friday	9.15 a.m.		Mass
Saturday			No morning Mass due to hall usage Vigil Mass – 18 th Sunday Ordinary Time
Sunday	9.00 a.m.	11.00 a.m.	Sunday Mass – 18 th Sunday Ordinary Time

Welcome Fr Michael

This weekend Fr Michael Waters returns to celebrate our Sunday Masses here in Darwen, as Fr Brian celebrates his nephew's wedding in Italy. Fr Michael has promised not to preach for as long as Fr Brian!!

Father Fexin's Finale

This week Fr Fexin has experienced our ever-changing summer weather with a wide variation of regional accents; he has concluded that English rain is very different to Indian rain and that a Yorkshire accent is more difficult to interpret since he has become proficient in Darwen dialect! Fr Fexin somehow managed to stay cool despite soaring temperatures, and he was delighted to gain free entry to York Minster. (*Fr Brian was also pleased to get a concessionary over-60 rate for entry to a historic house!*) Fr Fexin's 4-day London trip was VERY HOT but he explored many free attractions and was amazed at the cosmopolitan nature of our capital city. His final week begins with a family Sunday lunch, followed by Monday mountain-walking in the Lake District. He will say his final Masses on Tuesday/Wednesday and visit Gandhi's house in Darwen. He will also rest, pack and prepare for his early flight back to Rome on Thursday. Many thanks to and from Fr Fexin; it has been a great experience for us all. Good Luck & God Bless Fr Fexin.

York Invasion

It was a scorcher, but the perfect day to wander in this beautiful city, where there is so much space and shade to enjoy the sunshine in amazing surroundings. It was great to see everyone enjoying the trip and relaxing on this glorious summer's day. If you missed it this year...we will return to York again!

Liverpool Trip: Wednesday 18th September £12 BOOK NOW

49 Places – first come first served. Please put payment in a sealed envelope on which is written:
"LIVERPOOL TRIP" plus: Name, telephone number, amount enclosed, number of seats required.
POST THROUGH EITHER PRESBYTERY. (NB Cancellations will only be refunded if the places are filled.)

Church Decoration

We are very close to completion of the work at St Edward's! The carpet has now been fitted and the re-covered kneelers installed. There are still jobs to be done and finishing touches to be added, but we can look forward to celebrating Mass in Church again very soon. We do not have firm dates for re-opening as yet but Fr Brindle is booked for the Celebration Mass on Wednesday evening 11th September. Watch this space!



CHESTER ZOO - Wednesday 21st August - FULL

Leaving St Edward's 9am / St Joseph's 9.10am & Leaving Zoo 5pm



Sponsored by Ainsworth's Funeral Services.

PACKED LUNCH & DRINKS ARE RECOMMENDED AS THE ZOO IS EXPENSIVE!

We have 4 coaches going to the zoo, which will all stop at both pick-up points. Each family, group or individual will be allocated a coach. Lists will be posted to confirm arrangements and we will also ring/text details.

Mass intentions received:

Lately Dead: Timothy Cowell

Anniversaries: Kathleen Hargreaves, Robert Oldfield (29th July), Anne Halsall (2nd August), Margaret Leatham (2nd August), John Walsh (7th August), Bill Clarkson (25th July), Maureen Gregory (25th July)

Other: Speedy recovery of Kay Summerfield, Our Lady of good remedy, special intention

Family Walk 1 Wednesday 14th August:

**TRAIN TRIP TO CLITHEROE - RIBBLE
RAMBLE & CASTLE CLIMB**

Catching 10.25 a.m. train from Darwen Station and 16:25 train back from Clitheroe. This will involve the cost of rail fare @ around £5.10 adult return & £2.55 for children under 15. The day will include a 3-4 mile walk through Brungerley Park and along the banks of the river Ribble, plus a visit to Clitheroe Castle at the top of the hill, which is free apart from the museum. We will have a picnic lunch, a playground park adventure and the all-important café visit if required.

Suitable for school age children upwards.

Route & Map at the back of Church/Facebook.



**Family Walk 2 Wednesday 28th August:
WITTON PARK ADVENTURE TRAIL**

Meet 10.30 a.m. St Edward's Church BB3 0AA
Or 10.50 a.m. Witton Arena Entrance BB2 2TP

We will provide transport/convoy from St Edward's to Witton Park, the start of our adventure. Our 4 mile walk takes us along the River Darwen through woods and trails to the Wainwright Memorial. The spectacular views and beautiful surroundings make this a perfect picnic stop. We then head for Billinge Hill viewpoint and descend the steps into Big Cover Wood to our destination at the Café & play area.

Suitable for school age children upwards.

Route & Map at the back of Church/Facebook

Parish Walk 8 miles Saturday 24th August - Witton Weavers' Way 'The Beamers' Trail'

Meet at St Edward's Church 9.30am BB3 0AA or St Bede's school gates 9.45am BB2 4SR

We will arrange transport if required from St Edward's to our starting point at St Bede's. From there we will walk the mile or so to Witton Country Park and complete the 6 mile Beamers' Trail', plus the return mile back to St Bede's at the end. This walk is described as 'Easy with some moderate steep ascents and descents'. This is a beautiful walk covering both hill and valley. The trail takes us through Witton Park, around Billinge Wood and over Yellow Hills to Hoghton Bottoms. We return via The River Darwen, Pleasington Golf Club and Pleasington Priory. Routes are available at the back of Church and will be posted on Facebook. Boots are recommended, plus layers suitable for the weather. Please bring packed lunch and drink. ALL WELCOME.

Website & Server - DON'T PANIC!

Conrad and his team are still working on our new website/server. So we anticipate periods of 'downtime', no email service etc.

GYPSY £10 Deposit

Royal Exchange Manchester
Wednesday 4th December 7.30pm

200 Club Grand Summer Draw

1 st Prize £500	15	Patsy Bellusci
2 nd Prize £300	154	Tom Kennedy
3 rd Prize £100	123	Sue Maynard
4 th Prize £100	128	Joan Toner

CONGRATULATIONS & MANY THANKS!

Last week's Sunday collections

Offertory collection (St. Joseph's)	£ 542.92
Offertory (St. Edward's)	£ 281.33

Thank you

200 Club Weekly Draw

1 st prize	£40	50	Peter Ainsworth
2 nd prize	£10	44	Glenda Brindle
3 rd prize	£ 5	73	C. A. Robinson

Ministries

	This week			Next week		
	<i>Saturday 6.15 p.m.</i>	<i>Sunday 9.00 a.m.</i>	<i>Sunday 11.00 a.m.</i>	<i>Saturday 6.15 p.m.</i>	<i>Sunday 9.00 a.m.</i>	<i>Sunday 11.00 a.m.</i>
Readers	A. Barker S. Davis	P. Cooney J. Baker	J. Fitzgerald	B. Hughes D. Ross	J. Wright I. Fielden	A. Atkinson
Eucharistic Ministers	R. Knowles P. Wardle A. Barker A. Walsh P. Ainscough	M.R. Gordon A.J. Gordon G. Brindle P. Cooney A. Thompson	J. Ainsworth B. Suddick P. Bellusci F. Davis T. Kennedy	P. Ainscough P. Wardle C. Garrity A. Gibbs A. Walsh	M. Alvarez D. Forbes R. Knowles M.R. Gordon G. Brindle	F. Watson V. Frangleton A. Hewitt C. Avino D.B. Dumsday