



The Catholic Parish of The Sacred Heart, Darwen

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*"You have been faithful in small things;
come and join in your master's happiness."*

33rd Sunday Ordinary Time Year A

15th November 2020

St. Joseph's St. Edward's

Saturday	6.15 p.m.		Vigil Mass – 33 rd Sunday Ordinary Time
Sunday	9.00 a.m.	11.00 a.m.	Mass – 33 rd Sunday Ordinary Time
Monday	9.15 a.m.		Doors closed - Fr Brian Mass
Tuesday		9.15 a.m.	Doors closed - Fr Brian Mass
Wednesday	9.15 a.m.		Doors closed - Fr Brian Mass
Thursday		9.15a.m.	Doors closed - Fr Brian Mass
Friday	9.15 a.m.		Doors closed - Fr Brian Mass
Saturday		9.15 a.m.	Doors closed - Fr Brian Mass
	6.15 p.m.		Mass – Our Lord Jesus Christ, Universal King
Sunday	9.00 a.m.	11.00 a.m.	Mass – Our Lord Jesus Christ, Universal King



Fr Brian appreciates anybody who joins him in prayer.

November Holy Souls

WHAT A WONDERFUL RESPONSE!

All names sent in via letterbox or email have been added to the Remembrance Altar.

There is a basket in front of the altar at St Joseph's where there is live streaming. If you wish to remember departed loved ones:

1. Write name on paper
2. Place in sealed envelope.
3. Write 'Holy Souls' on envelope.
3. Post through either presbytery door

Alternatively

1. Email title 'Holy Souls'
2. Send email to:

admin@darwencatholic.org.uk



**CHURCHES CLOSED
UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**



Parish Christmas Card Nominations

THANKS FOR ALL NAMES SENT IN ALREADY!

If you know anyone in the Parish who would like to receive a card please nominate via: [Email: admin@darwencatholic.org.uk](mailto:admin@darwencatholic.org.uk)

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**Christmas Card Nomination
& Name & Address of nominee**

Or post through either presbytery door.

YOU CAN NOMINATE YOURSELF TOO!



Darwen World-Wide

Amazingly, our live Masses are broadcast across local, national, inter-national and global networks. The monthly report for the end of October confirms the following viewers last month:

**UK 2,461; Ireland 343; India 19; France 10;
Germany 5; Poland 4; Czechia 3;
South Africa 2; Australia 1; Kenya 1; Spain 1;
Singapore 1; Netherlands 1; New Zealand 1.**

More countries are shown in the yearly figures which we will publish in January.



Fr Brian's Fan Mail

Many thanks to all those who have sent in positive messages following live-streamed services. Your kind words are greatly appreciated. John from Berkshire enjoyed Mass, but his family back in Ireland are complaining that the last time they were prevented from attending Mass was in the Penal Times! Jim from Kilkenny Ireland simply enjoyed the holy Mass. AMEN!

CHRISTMAS MASSES

If we re-open in time for Christmas, we assume Covid restrictions will still be essential. Places in Church will therefore be limited and must be booked in advance.

**BOOKING ARRANGEMENTS WILL NOW
BE PUBLISHED AFTER LOCKDOWN.**



Diwali Festival of Lights

Let us pray for all in the Hindu communities who are facing a different celebration this year. Covid restrictions may prevent families from seeing loved ones but there can still be joy within families and thanksgiving for good health and simple pleasures. May the light shine for all to feel hope and love.

Mass Intentions

Lately Dead: Annette Thompson, Michael Coster, Ellen McGlown, Jack Maynard, Michael Hatzar (Mick), Eileen Porter, John Bradley, Betty Lee

Anniversaries: Catherine Culshaw (13th November)

Other: David O'Sullivan (sick), Holy Souls, Gareth Bird (critical), Pauline Edwards (sick)

John 'Jackie' Bradley R.I.P.

Many will remember this former teacher at St Edward's, St Joseph's, St Augustine's & St Edmund Arrowsmith. John died peacefully this week aged 91; may he rest in peace.



Live-Streaming at St Joseph's



<https://www.churchservices.tv/darwen>

CORONAVIRUS – CHURCHES CLOSED & PARISH ACTIVITIES SUSPENDED

See links to the guidance from: The Government, The Bishops Conference & Salford Diocese:

<http://www.darwencatholic.org.uk/> & [facebook.com/DarwenCatholic](https://www.facebook.com/DarwenCatholic)

THIS SUSPENSION LIFTS SUNDAY OBLIGATION

Parishioners can join in spiritual communion and/or watch live streaming of Mass: <https://www.churchservices.tv/>
Visit our website & facebook for sermons & newsletter.

Sunday Order of Service & Readings

Readings: <https://universalis.com/mass.htm>
Order of Mass: PDF file on website homepage

Inter Faith Week

Community Cohesion

Well done to all those involved in events to mark this national week of unity across different faiths and cultures. Pope Francis reminds us in his latest encyclical 'Fratelli Tutti', *"Other cultures are not "enemies" from which we need to protect ourselves, but differing reflections of the inexhaustible richness of human life"*.

Pope Francis - Gender Equality

From 'Fratelli Tutti' 2020

"The organisation of societies worldwide is still far from reflecting clearly that women possess the same dignity and identical rights as men. We say one thing with words, **but our decisions and reality tell another story.** Indeed, "doubly poor are those women who endure situations of exclusion, mistreatment and violence, since they are less able to defend their rights"



Darwen Rotary

Congratulations to everyone who contributed to the Tower Restoration fundraising totalling £80,000. The Rotary Club have now closed this fund following the government grant of £250,000. It is expected that work will commence March/April/May 2021. Darwen Rotary is now collecting for local charities at the

LEGO Tower in the Market Annexe, starting with East Lancs Hospice.



Darwen Food Larder

Donations can be left at St Joseph's Church in the car-park shelter.

<https://www.facebook.com/Darwen-Food-Larder-102327351664711>

Darwen Food Larder is dedicated to providing emergency food for anyone in crisis in Darwen. To request an emergency food package, Direct Message facebook page, phone 01254 705120 or email DarwenFL1@gmail.com.



No Toys Thanks

Sorry... we are unable to collect toys for charity at the moment. But please donate these to a local charity shop when the restrictions are lifted.



GIVE ~ ACT ~ PRAY

When we think of how we can respond to so much suffering in the world, many of us are guided by a simple phrase: **Give, Act, Pray.** As we approach Advent, we reflect on the unimaginable situations faced by our sisters and brothers around the world and how each of us can respond in some way. All our Christmas collection donations will go to CAFOD this year and further details will be issued at the start of Advent in 2 weeks.

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS – THANK YOU

Donations can go to either house or online.

Online transfers / standing orders:

Account: **TSDT Sacred Heart** Account no. **40835803**

Sort code: **205534**

Many thanks for your support!

