

The Catholic Parish of The Sacred Heart, Darwen

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"Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days I will raise it up."

3rd Sunday Lent – Year B

7th March 2021

St. Joseph's St. Edward's

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Saturday		6.15 p.m.	Vigil Mass – HAVE YOU BOOKED?
Sunday	9.00 a.m.	11.00 a.m.	Mass – HAVE YOU BOOKED?
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		9.15 a.m.	Doors closed - Fr Brian Mass
Friday	9.15 a.m.		Doors closed - Fr Brian Mass
Saturday		6.15 p.m.	Vigil Mass – 4 th Sunday Lent – PLEASE BOOK
Sunday	9.00 a.m.	11.00 a.m.	Mass – 4 th Sunday Lent – PLEASE BOOK



Fr Brian appreciates anybody who joins him in prayer.

SUNDAY MASS BOOKINGS

PLEASE DON'T JUST TURN UP!

Text only - kept 21 days NHS tracing.

Saturday 6.15pm: 07772 257315

Sunday 9am: 07598 908987

Sunday 11am: 07722 889932

Lines open Mon-Sat 10-4pm. TEXT:

SURNAME - MASS - NO. OF PLACES;

e.g. Smith 9am 2 places.

A simple YES /NO reply will be returned.



CHURCH RE-OPENING ROAD-MAP

Sunday Masses: Open now – bookings only still

Mid-week Masses: Re-open Monday 12th April (No need to book for mid-week Mass)

Tea/Coffee Mornings: Re-start after 21st June

Parish Activities: Re-start after 21st June

Dates above are based on government road-maps, and will be reviewed as Covid-19 data is analysed.

Regulated groups hiring the halls will be starting again in the coming weeks as they have their own government approved COVID safe-practice



Holy Week & Easter

BOOKING HOLY WEEK & EASTER SERVICES

Details will be published next week.

Current Covid regulations remain in place for all these services:

HANDS - FACE - SPACE & NO SINGING OR MINGLING!

Palm Sunday 28th March: Palms will be blessed at the altar and taken to the back for collection on exit. There is no Walk of Witness to Darwen Tower again this year.

Holy Thursday: 7.30pm at St Joseph's – Mass. (No washing of feet/candles); followed by watching until 9pm

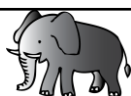
Good Friday: 12noon at St Edward's - Stations of the Cross / 3pm at St Joseph's - The Lord's Passion

Holy Saturday: 6.15pm at St Joseph's - Easter Vigil (no outdoor ceremony and no individual candles)

Easter Sunday 4th April: Usual Mass times 9am at St Joseph's & 11am at St Edward's

THE SUNDAY OBLIGATION & EASTER DUTIES REMAIN SUSPENDED DURING THE PANDEMIC

Summer Holiday Family Trip Chester Zoo



If restrictions are lifted as planned, we will again be going to Chester Zoo towards the end of the summer holidays. Prices will be reduced because of group booking and sponsorship. **Ainsworth's Funeral Directors & Darwen Rotary Club** will help sponsor coaches so the trip will be 'dead' good! Bookings will open in the next couple of weeks. Watch this space.



Mrs. Jones got a little too used to watching online worship from home.

DUCKWORTH

Mass Intentions

Lately Dead: Sheila Jardine, Anthony Reeday, Ruth Boardman,

Anniversaries: Donald Harwood (1st Mar)

Other: St Jude for prayers answered, in grateful thanks for a sick parishioner returned home from hospital

Live-Stream St Joseph's

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



Sunday Order of Service & Readings

Readings: <https://universalis.com/mass.htm>

Order of Mass: PDF file on website home page

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Each Lent Friday 5pm-7pm St Joseph's

Reconciliation Service
Friday 26th March 7pm



Sacraments Update & Road-Map

Dates above are based on government road-maps, and will be reviewed as Covid-19 data is analysed.

Confession: Confessions are still not being heard, but may resume after 21st June

Funerals: Maximum of 30 by family invitation only until 21st June.

Weddings & Baptisms: Currently maximum 6
12th April maximum 15; 17th May maximum 30;
21st June no limit

Sacramental Programme: Dates & details of numbers are on our website:

www.darwencatholic.org.uk/sacramental-programme/

Sick & Housebound Visits: Visits are still not allowed but may resume after June 21st.

The Pope's Visit to Iraq

The oldest Church is not Rome, so pray for all the ancient Christian communities and pray that Pope Francis returns to Rome healthy and strong.

Home Schooling

Congratulations to all parents, grandparents and great-grandparents who took on the challenge of home schooling. Teaching is obviously difficult. May your patience find blessings in years to

Schools Re-opening

It is worthy of note that schools have been open for a number of children for several months. Thanks go to school staff who have maintained a difficult balance between home and classroom-based learning. Good luck to all our families as they return to the school routine.

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

Donations to either house or online:

Account: **TSDT Sacred Heart**

A/C no. **40835803** Sort code: **205534**



Stations 2021 by Fr Brian Kealey
Written during the silence of Covid

Each Monday, Wednesday, Friday during Lent a Station is read at Mass & posted on our Website & Facebook Full Stations on Good Friday.



Eco Thought of the Week

The First Reading today gives us the Ten Commandments.

Concerning 'Keep the Sabbath day holy' we hear 'in six days the Lord made the heavens and the earth and the sea and all that these hold but on the sabbath day he rested.' The whole of creation is the work of our Creator God. What, I wonder, did our Creator God do on the eighth day, according to the spirit of the Genesis account? I think that, after his Sabbath rest, God carried on his enduring work of creation and, in Jesus, re-creation.

God's task of bringing the whole of creation to its fulfilment is not ended. God has the broader vision but we can take necessary steps so that creation is not ended but fulfilled. What step can I take this Lent to live more simply and sustainably?

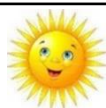


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A Reflection for the Third Sunday of Lent

Well Done St Bede's Eco Warriors

Thank you St Bede's students and staff for raising awareness of environmental issues last month.



Summer Family Walks

We will arrange 3 fun family walks during the holidays, which will offer a chance to socialise, share local routes and enjoy different cafés. Watch this space!

Coach Trips

Currently only 11 people are allowed on a coach, but as soon as possible we will book a day out to wherever we fancy.



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