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**"I will not leave you orphans,
I will come back to you."**

7th Sunday of Easter – Year B

16th May 2021

St. Joseph's St. Edward's

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.		Mass
Tuesday		9.15 a.m.	Mass
Wednesday	9.15 a.m.		Mass
Thursday			NO MASS TODAY
Friday	11.00 a.m.		Private Requiem Mass – Francesco Angelo R.I.P.
Saturday		9.15 a.m.	Mass
	6.15 p.m.		Pentecost Sunday Vigil Mass – PLEASE BOOK
Sunday	9.00 a.m.	11.00 a.m.	Pentecost Sunday – PLEASE BOOK



PLEASE BOOK SUNDAY MASS

Text only - kept 21 days NHS tracing.

Saturday 6.15pm: 07772 257315

Sunday 9am: 07598 908987

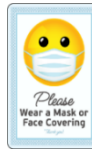
Sunday 11am: 07722 889932

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.



**MASSES FILLING UP
DON'T JUST TURN UP** Last week Sunday Masses were again fully-booked, and more were turned away. We are obliged to continue with the booking system for now. **PLEASE CANCEL IF YOU CAN'T COME**

**COVID-19
UPDATE**

Covid Restrictions from 17th May 2021

Funerals: 30+ can now attend funerals but there are still limits based on social distancing capacity. Attendance will continue to be family invitation.

Weddings & Baptisms: maximum of 30 can now attend both these events.

All other restrictions remain in place for now.

Virus Control

The onus is on us! Scientists reported last week that the epidemic is under control in the UK with the vaccination roll-out. They remain concerned that the pandemic is still raging globally. Now there is the new Indian variant which means that we must continue to be careful and cautious.

Parish Hall Hire

It is great to see both our Parish halls being well-used by regular community groups. These groups are responsible for their own covid-safe practice. We are not yet in a position to open up for parish activities, but will review alongside the Government roadmap next month. Many thanks go to Jim Fitzgerald for his hard work hiring and firing!

Sacramental Programme June 2021

We have reviewed the numbers involved and with continuation of restrictions, places will be limited to the First Communion child plus 2 adults.

Sunday 13th June St Joseph's School Groups
St Joseph's Church 12.00 Y4 & 1.30 Y3

Sunday 20th June Non-Catholic Schools Group
St Joseph's Church 9am Y4+

Sunday 27th June St Edward's School Groups
St Edward's Church 12.00 Y4 & 1.30 Y3



Good Luck Year 11s

Fr Brian will be in school on Tuesday 18th May to record a brief service with Year 11 representatives, which will then be shared with the whole year.



St Bede's
Roman Catholic High School



FR BRIAN'S APPEAL 9am Mass 20th June

12 bays will be taken up by First Communion families in the parish. This leaves 20 bays, so please book early or try Saturday 6.15pm Mass. Live stream is also available. Fr Brian thanks everyone for patience and understanding – he will be exhausted with 5 First communion Masses!

Mass Intentions

Lately Dead: Eileen Roberts, Pauline Edwards, John Jack Jump, Francesco Angelo

Anniversaries: Maureen Roberts, Maureen Watson, Bill Jennings (16th May)

Birthday Anniversaries: Joyce Harwood (21st May), Margaret Smith (15th May),

Live-Stream St Joseph's

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

Fri 21st May 11am – Requiem Mass Francesco Angelo R.I.P.



Sunday Order of Service & Readings

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

Order of Mass: PDF file on website home page.

OUR CHURCHES ARE CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC FOR ANY PRIVATE FUNERALS



Live Stream is Operated 24/7

Any problems connecting are most likely to be home internet or broadband speed issues.

Five Ways to Wellbeing 17th May – 20th June

www.blackburn.gov.uk/5WWB



Five weeks of activities designed to make you feel good and function well.

Take Notice, Keep Learning, Be Active, Help Others, Connect.



Be a COVID CHAMPION



Well done to Michael Grime, who has joined a new group of people supporting the council to share important health messages with their contacts.

Michael is involved in various organisations within the parish and local community so it will be extremely valuable to have advice in the weeks ahead as we move forward through the pandemic.

5k in May for CAFOD RUN WALK CRAWL SWIM CYCLE

Complete 5k during May any way you can... donate £5 to CAFOD and nominate 5 of your friends to take part.

<https://cafod.org.uk/Fundraise/Sponsored-challenge-events/5k-in-May>

Donations can be made online direct or you can post through either presbytery door in sealed envelope marked CAFOD 5k May by 14th June.

BOOKING BAPTISM

If you have not yet registered:

Please book Mass and introduce yourselves to Fr Brian. You will then complete a registration form and can begin to make arrangements for Baptism.

If you registered and had to cancel:

Please email us to re-arrange a date for baptism.

admin@darwencatholic.org.uk

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

Donations to either house or online:

Account: **TSDT Sacred Heart**

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

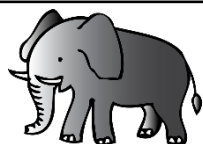


The Power of Prayer

Fr Brian thanks everyone who prayed for a special intention on Monday night. Prayers were answered and Fr Brian lost his voice in chant!

ZOO TRIP FILLING UP

We have booked a number of coaches which are now almost full. We can book another coach if there is further demand. PLEASE BOOK ASAP to reserve your place. May thanks for the generous sponsorship from Ainsworth's Funeral Services & Darwen Rotary Club.



SACRED HEART CATHOLIC PARISH DARWEN

Summer Holiday Family Trip to CHESTER ZOO

Tuesday 24th August 2021

Leaving Anchor Pub Bus Stop 9am / St Joseph's Church Bus Stop 9.10am



Leaving Chester Zoo 5pm



(Age 2 & under FREE - but please add into the children numbers for the coach seats)

Our prices are concessionary and well below what you would pay yourselves.

(Online £21.80 adult/ £18.18 child or on the gate £28 adult & £24 child)

DEPOSIT £5 per person due NOW and payment in full required by 30th June.

PLEASE PUT DEPOSIT OF £5 per person in a sealed envelope marked ZOO TRIP plus:

Name, telephone no., number of adults, number of children & number of children 2 or under

POST THROUGH EITHER PRESBYTERY OR BOOK THROUGH ST EDWARD'S/ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOLS

