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"I am the living bread which has
come down from heaven."

18th Sunday Ordinary Time – Year B

1st August 2021

St. Joseph's St. Edward's

Saturday	6.15 p.m.		Vigil Mass
Sunday	9.00 a.m.	11.00 a.m.	Mass
Monday	9.15 a.m.		Mass
Tuesday		9.15 a.m.	Mass
Wednesday	9.15 a.m.		Mass
Thursday		10.30 a.m.	Requiem Mass Michael Cooper R.I.P. (invitation Only)
Friday			NO MASS
Saturday		9.15 a.m.	Mass
	6.15 p.m.		Vigil Mass 19 th Sunday Ordinary Time
Sunday	9.00 a.m.	11.00 a.m.	Mass 19 th Sunday Ordinary Time



NO NEED TO
BOOK

Partitions will go Monday 2nd August

THANK YOU ALL FOR
BEING SO AWESOME!

We will be removing the barrier tape in our churches on Monday, which means there is no need to book Mass anymore. Well done and thank you to everyone for such great patience and co-operation in the past year. In particular we congratulate and thank our booking agents and stewards for their commitment and diligence in managing the situation so efficiently. Stewards will continue to welcome parishioners and sanitise hands on entry and exit.

**GREAT
NEWS**

CAUTION

**SOCIAL DISTANCING & MASKS
WILL CONTINUE FOR NOW**

Although we are lifting some restrictions, we are aware that the pandemic continues. "PLEASE LEAVE SPACE" cards will be placed on each bench to encourage everyone to be cautious and mindful of the need for social distancing. Face masks are still recommended by Church authorities due to the potential for droplet-spread with gathering, speaking and singing.

Frosta del Darwen

All those basking in the 31-degree temperatures last week have been suffering chilblains and hypothermia this week! Who says there is no such thing as climate change?

SUMMER FAMILY WALK 2

TUESDAY 10TH AUGUST

ALL WELCOME OVER SCHOOL AGE
BRING PACKED LUNCH & PLENTY OF WATER!

Meet at Darwen Station Platform 1

10:56 train to Bromley Cross for 11.08

We will walk to Jumbles and take a clockwise walk around the reservoir following woodland & park trails. Lunch at the picnic area outside the café, where there are toilets and a car-park.

It's just a mile back to the station.

Aiming for 15:11 train back in Darwen 15:24

Adult tickets: £3.90

Children under 15 £1.95



Darwen Cricket Champs

Darwen are the T20 champions in Lancashire. They have developed their prize-winning talents brilliantly! Recent successes include a youth policy helping children and young people to engage with cricket. Congratulations and thank you to everyone involved.

Darwen Footballers Victorious

Well done to Darwen AFC as they stormed to a 5-2 victory against Turton to retain the Martin Vizzard Memorial Trophy last Saturday. All credit to our town club for their community links and local initiatives. The future looks bright!

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS THANK YOU

A/C: TSDT Sacred Heart

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Mass Intentions

Lately Dead: Michael Cooper, John Connor, John Brindle

Anniversaries: David Thompson Pearson

Other: Alex

SUNDAY OBLIGATION SUSPENDED

Until at least Advent 2021

Statement from the Catholic Bishops of England

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/sunday-it-is-our-day/>



OLYMPICS

Excellence, Respect and Friendship

Ordinary people doing extraordinary things.

Congratulations to all those who have achieved Olympic status and to all who have aspired to make the best of what they have.

Parish Hall Hire & Covid19

All group using our halls do so under a hall hire agreement and have their own Covid-safe policies and procedures in place. Parish activities remain suspended for now due to prevailing local conditions.

Yarrow Yomp

Cooler temperatures were ideal for this wonderful adventure around our local moors and trails. Well done to everyone who braved the elements to experience the beauty of nature on our doorstep.



Wonderful Witton Family Walk

We literally dodged the rain to enjoy a fantastic adventure this week, on the first of our summer family walks. Rumour has it that Fr Brian cheated at 'Pooh Sticks', resulting in a win for Freddie, who also excelled as the *Number One 'Scout'*. Brother Will demonstrated the best wild "ROOAARRRR" plus speediest ups and downs from the start; while Christopher dominated the Leader Board as an excellent role-model. The most exceptional effort goes to Amy for stamina, achieving her highest elevation and furthest distance at 4.5 miles. All prize winners enjoyed a well-deserved treat from the ice-cream van!

Live-Stream St Joseph's

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



Summer Holiday Family Walks

Walk 2: Tuesday 10th August 10.45 am

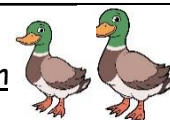
TRAIN: JUMBLES JAUNT

Meet at Darwen Station Platform 1 & catch 10:56 train to Bromley Cross for 11.08

Walk 3: Tuesday 24th August 10.15 am

TRAIN: RIBBLE RAMBLE & CASTLE CLIMB

Meet at Darwen Station Platform 2 & catch 10.25 train to Clitheroe for 10.56



THEN 1970s



NOW 2021



Health and safety regulations may have changed over the last 50+ years, but work to preserve our local landmark continues with great pride and joy. Let us hope that Darwen Tower continues to stand out on our landscape for many more years to come and that we may always appreciate the 'Freedom of the Moors' this iconic feature represents.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

EASING RESTRICTIONS PLAN

Commencing 7th/8th August 2021

In response to the government relaxation of restrictions, the Bishops of England have offered clear guidance for Public Worship/Parish activities. **CONTINUED CAUTION & CARE IS ADVISED.**

We will continue to take account of local infection rates and the specific needs of our own community.

From Monday 2nd August the following up-dates will apply:

- The partitions will be removed so there will be no need to book a place at Mass.
- Masks must still be worn unless exempt, inside Church and enclosed areas.
- Hand sanitising will continue on the way in/out of Church.
- You are asked to keep a family distance in the Church from anybody else. Cards will be available saying, "PLEASE LEAVE A SPACE", if required.
- Communion will be administered row by row.
- Singing will resume but masks must be worn.
- Fr Brian will appoint readers & ministers from regulars at the designated Masses.
- There will be no indoor Parish activities until Advent at the earliest.

PLEASE NOTE THE SUNDAY OBLIGATION REMAINS SUSPENDED UNTIL ADVENT 2021