



"Anyone who is not against us, is for us. If your hand should cause you to sin, cut it off."

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26th Sunday Ordinary Time - Year B

26th September 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.	Eucharistic Service
Wednesday	9.15 a.m.		Mass
Thursday		9.15 a.m.	St Edward's School Mass – open to public
Friday	9.15 a.m.		Mass
Saturday		9.15 a.m.	Mass
	6.15 p.m.		Vigil Mass 27th Sunday Ordinary Time
Sunday	9.00 a.m.	11.00 a.m.	Mass 27th Sunday Ordinary Time



CROHN'S & COLITIS UK

FIGHTING
INFLAMMATORY
BOWEL DISEASE
TOGETHER

www.crohnsandcolitis.org.uk

Christmas Draw for Crohn's & Colitis UK

Former St Bede's student, Tiana Thompson, died in January 2020 as a result of complications from Crohn's disease. Her Darwen family is continuing to raise awareness about Crohn's disease, which causes inflammation of the lining of the digestive system, which can cause serious complications.

Proceeds from our Christmas Draw will be split between the Parish and the charity Tiana's family are supporting, which has suffered during the coronavirus pandemic. This is a national charity but with a very local cause within our Parish and the wider community of Darwen and Blackburn.

You can find out more on the charity website:

<https://www.crohnsandcolitis.org.uk>

CAFOD Thankyou Message

"Thank you for your donation of £3,000 to our Emergency food crisis appeal. Right now, your donation is on its way to dedicated teams of aid professionals and volunteers in Ethiopia, South Sudan and Nigeria. There they are helping the most vulnerable women, men and children to access emergency food and water, basic kitchen supplies, as well as the tools and seeds they need to begin farming again after many were forced to leave their homes. Local medical experts are providing emotional support through trauma counselling to help people particularly affected by the conflict. THANK YOU."

Christmas Charity Draw Proceeds to Parish & Crohn's & Colitis UK PRIZES WANTED

If you can pledge or donate a decent prize, please email, or put a note through either presbytery.

PLEASE STATE WHAT YOU ARE DONATING!

Tickets will be printed and on sale for the end of October, so we need a good list of prizes by then.

PRIZES SO FAR
£200 cash prize

**Ride around Darwen in a Rolls Royce
Bottle of Malt Whiskey**



Santa's Grotto St Edward's Church

Saturday 4th December
10am-2pm
ALL WELCOME



£1 ENTRY FOR SANTA & GIFT

Details of half-hour booking slots to follow next week.

A Wonderful Wander over Winterhill

This walk really did have everything! A local route along well-defined paths... varied scenery with new discoveries... points of interest and spectacular views of local moors, neighbouring towns and cities, as far as the Peak District, Lake District, Yorkshire 3 Peaks and Welsh mountains. Plus, the all-important great company/group spirit. Truly wonderful.



End-of Season Walk 8 miles - Dimple Dawdle

Saturday 9th October Entwistle Bartridge Rd Car-Park
Easier trail exploring Dimple and Dunscair area. Route next week, including Egerton 'Jurassic Park' Quarry!

Mass Intentions

Lately Dead: Jackie Lacey, Eddie Costello, Rita Fallon, Barry (Baz) Mellor

Anniversaries: Noel Patrick Cooney (27th Sept)

Birthday Anniversaries: Blanche Elizabeth Grime

SUNDAY OBLIGATION SUSPENDED

Until at least Advent 2021
Catholic Bishops of England

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

Live-Stream St Joseph's

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



Sacramental Programme

Fr Brian has consulted with school staff and dates will be confirmed next week.



Confirmation

Next year, after the change to the Sacramental Programme and the delay with Covid, we will make plans for our older children to be Confirmed.

Confessions / Reconciliation

Fr Brian hopes to arrange 2 reconciliation services during Advent with confessions. Hopefully local clergy will be involved to hear confessions.

Afghanistan Refugee Support Appeal

New underwear & socks all sizes men, women & children can be left at Meeting Places, 15-19 Croft Street Darwen BB3 1BG 10-2 Mon Wed & Fri

Readers at Mass - Sunday Readings

A weekly link to Sunday readings for the current and following week is published on our website so that readers can look at and rehearse readings. See homepage blog underneath the newsletter & Fr Brian's sermon: www.darwencatholic.org.uk
Readinas: This Week & Next Week

Readers & Eucharistic Ministers

Lists have been updated to include previous and new volunteers who are still in touch. Fr Brian is in the process of liaising with the rota volunteers so that lists can be published hopefully next week. Apologies for the delay; please be patient there are many demands on time as we move forward.

St Edward's Green Gardeners

St Edward's has signed up for the Morrisons, 'It's Good to Grow' campaign to try to get gardening equipment for school. If you shop at Morrisons, please download the app to collect tokens.

Half-term family Walk – 4 miles

Tuesday 26th October 11am BB3 2SF
Meet at Bold Venture Park Main Gates
ALL WELCOME SCHOOL AGE & ABOVE
BRING PACKED LUNCH & WATER.



St Joseph's Red Mission Boxes
£1,372.19

St Joseph's rep Maggie Alvarez says:

"Thank you to all the supporters of the red box, Mill Hill Missionaries. Last year we raised £1,372.19 through box collections and bank donations. I need to update my house collection list; if you have moved house or changed to bank donation or standing order please let me know. Thanks for your continued support." Maggie: 01254 728146

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St Vincent de Paul Society
England and Wales
Turning Concern into Action

SVP Group Update

Message from new president Maggie Alvarez:
"We are slowly starting to get things moving forward after the last turbulent 18 months. Our next meeting will be at St Joseph's Monday 4th October 2021. We are able to do home visits on request, but no social gatherings at present."

Flu Vaccination

Fr Brian had his flu jab on Friday and didn't feel a thing! Have you had yours yet? This year it is free of charge to all over 50s and we are strongly advised to have this flu jab with the Covid threat.

St Joseph's Soccer Stars

It's been a great start to the footy league season for St Joseph's Year 5/6 boys. Four games, four wins, four clean sheets, at least one goal for each outfield player - the perfect start! More importantly, the boys have displayed excellent levels of teamwork, played fairly and been respectful of both referees and opposing teams. We couldn't be more proud of how they're representing our school! Well done boys!

Autumn Equinox

Wednesday 22nd September marked the start of astronomical Autumn, with days and nights of equal length. On cue the weather really has become more autumnal. *"Seasons of mists and mellow fruitfulness..."* (John Keats)



SCHOOL OPEN DAYS

St Bede's: 30th September 4.30 - 8pm
St Joseph's: 14th October 3.45 - 7pm
St Edward's: 4th Oct 10am-2pm / 9th Nov 10am-2pm

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS – MANY THANKS

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