



"It is you who say I am a king."

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Our Lord Jesus Christ, Universal King

21st November 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	11.00 a.m.		Requiem Mass Gerard Waddington R.I.P.
Tuesday		9.15 a.m.	Mass
Wednesday	9.15 a.m.		Mass
Thursday	11.00 a.m.		Requiem Mass Brenda Taylor R.I.P.
Friday	12 noon		Requiem Mass Joseph McKenna R.I.P.
Saturday		9.15 a.m.	Mass
	6.15 p.m.		Vigil Mass – First Sunday of Advent – Year C
Sunday	9.00 a.m.	11.00 a.m.	Mass – First Sunday of Advent – Year C



November Daily Practice

In this final week of November,
Remember the Holy Souls with JOY!
Each day think of one person you have loved, recall
an incident that you shared with them, then smile!

Christmas Tree Prayer Tags

Gift tags will be at the back of Church next week
We will ask our schools to complete prayer tags to
decorate our Christmas trees again this year.

During Advent you are invited to:

**Write the name of a loved one on a Christmas
gift-tag and place in the basket on the altar.**

Or post through either presbytery door.

**Or email names titled Prayer Tree Tags to:
admin@darwencatholic.org.uk**



CHRISTMAS MASS BOOKINGS

BOOK 1 MASS ONLY & PLEASE TEXT

SURNAME - MASS TIME - PLACES

e.g. Brown 6.30pm 2 places

A simple YES/NO reply will be returned.

Christmas Eve

6.30pm Vigil St Edward's: 07772 257315

Midnight Mass St Joseph's: 07772 257315

Christmas Day

9am St Joseph's: 07598 908987

11am St Edward's: 07722 889932

PLEASE DO NOT JUST TURN UP

Numbers restricted to the seating capacity.

Please be aware that as Covid continues to thrive,
the Masses will be simple. Also, note that large
numbers are likely, so stay at home if you are



Advent Reconciliation



Reconciliation Service & Confessions

Proposed Date Wednesday 8th December

7pm St Joseph's Church

Fr Brian will liaise with priests and take advice on
the prevailing local covid situation before we
confirm that this service can go ahead.

STAY SAFE THIS WINTER

Fr Brian is booked for a booster jab this week.

Covid cases are rising and the pandemic is far from
over. Blackburn with Darwen is currently in a
positive position, however health leaders have
appealed to us to continue to take extra care as we
approach winter. We are being asked to slow down
the spread of Coronavirus in 5 ways:

Grab the Jab: Get fully vaccinated plus booster.

Wear a Mask: In all public spaces.

Sanitise: Wash hands regularly & carry sanitiser.

Ventilation: Open windows/doors mixing indoors.

Covid Tests: Take regular tests before mixing.

JUST 2 WEEKS TO GO...

SANTA'S GROTTTO

St Edward's Church

Saturday 4th December 10am-2pm

ALL WELCOME

£1 ENTRY FOR SANTA & GIFT

Refreshments while you wait.



Mass Intentions

Lately Dead: Brenda Taylor, Josephine Bradley Simms, Gerard Waddington, Joseph McKenna

Anniversaries: Fr John Martin Troy (20th Nov), Blanche Elizabeth Grime (13th Nov) Salvatore Turco (24th Nov)

Birthday Anniversaries: Peter Summerfield (14th Nov), John Howard, Gary Francis (25th Nov)

Other: Howard Family

Sacramental Programme Registration

Wednesday 19th January 2021

2.15pm St Edward's Church Hall

6pm St Joseph's Church



SUNDAY OBLIGATION SUSPENDED

Live-Stream St Joseph's

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



Requiem Masses this week:

Monday 11am Gerard Waddington

Thursday 11am Brenda Taylor

Friday 12 noon Joseph McKenna



Feast of Christ the King

This is the end of a very peculiar Church year.

Thanks go to all those who have lived the faith in our community and maintained the presence of Christ in Darwen.

Fr Brian Takes a Step Up in the World

Thanks to another Bryan who made a great step for the sanctuary at St Joseph's before the tabernacle. This will ensure that the key won't snap, and you will get Communion! (The tabernacle lock is now repaired and back in working order!)

Food Larder News

The bi-monthly meeting of the Food Larder volunteers took place on Wednesday evening at St Joseph's. Last week, representatives of the faith community in Darwen visited the 'warehouse' at St Joseph's and the distribution centre at 'The Meeting Place' in town. They met a number of the volunteers from the different churches and mosques in Darwen.

We are always most grateful for all donations, including the support from Darwen Rotary Club.

Fr Brian's No-car Day

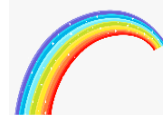
Fr Brian experienced a certain degree of withdrawal without his car last Monday. Reaching for the car-keys he was reminded that he must walk from Church to Church!

This week's No-car Day will be Wednesday.

Our Colourful World

This Friday coming is said to be black. Fr Brian is having a green Wednesday. Monday there is a possibility of the blues. Snow is forecast on white Thursday.

On Saturday, Fr Brian will be taking in the claret which has been sour from the beginning of the season. Next Sunday turns purple for Advent. This leaves only Tuesday for any colour in life which brings joy and foolishness. ENJOY ENJOY ENJOY!



PLEASE NOTE

Christmas Day & New Year's Day No Saturday Vigil Mass

Usual Sunday Morning Masses 9am & 11am
Boxing Day 26th December & Sunday 2nd January

Offertory Envelopes Available Soon

These will be left at the back of the Church where we think you may attend. If your envelopes are not there or you would like delivery, please let us know.

Envelopes will be issued to all those on our gift-aid list and non-gift aid envelope list, even if payments are made by standing order or bank transfer. Any unused envelopes by 31st December each year can be discarded into recycle bin.

Monthly Collections

The collections received for October were:

Standing Orders £940.5

Envelopes & Loose Plate £2191.95 (5 weeks)

Many thanks for your continued support.

RAFFLE TICKETS

1st Prize £200

TICKETS £1 each £5 a book

Please return counterfoils & money in an envelope

REQUIRED ON EACH COUNTERFOIL:

SURNAME & PHONE NUMBER

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS – MANY THANKS

A/C: **TSDT Sacred Heart**

A/C no. **40835803**

Sort code: **205534**



Mass Rota Next Weekend 27th/28th November

Readers: 6.15pm D Ross;

9am M Alvarez; 11am T Kennedy

Ministers: 6.15pm P Wardle & R Knowles;

9am M Alvarez & R Knowles; 11am C Avino