



# The Catholic Parish of The Sacred Heart, Darwen

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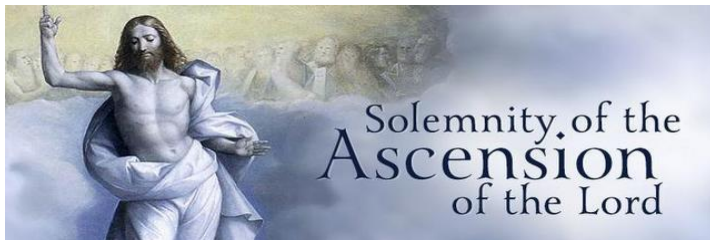
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*"The Holy Spirit will remind you  
of all I have said to you."*

6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter – Year C			22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2022
	St Joseph's	St Edward's	
Saturday	6.15 p.m.		Vigil Mass
Sunday	9.00 a.m.	11.00 a.m.	Sunday Masses
Monday	11.45 a.m.		Requiem Mass - James Venguedasalon R.I.P.
Tuesday		9.15 a.m.	Mass – followed by coffee morning
Wednesday	9.15 a.m.		Mass
Thursday	7.00 p.m.	9.15 a.m.	Feast of the Ascension Mass
Friday	9.15 a.m.		Eucharistic Service
Saturday	6.15 p.m.	9.15 a.m.	Mass
Sunday	9.00 a.m.	11.00 a.m.	Vigil Mass – 7 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter Sunday Masses – 7 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter



Solemnity of the  
**Ascension**  
of the Lord

*Masses for Ascension 26<sup>th</sup> May*

9.15am St Edward's / 7.00pm St Joseph's

It is worthy to note that Our Lord Jesus Christ ascended into heaven and left YOU to do the work!

## CAFOD Ukraine Donation

We received another letter from CAFOD confirming that our recent donation of £5,285.65 + £285 is being targeted at the Ukraine humanitarian crisis.

*"Our local Ukranian aid workers and volunteers are already reaching families in need who have been forced to leave their homes due to the conflict, especially women and children. We are supporting our Caritas sister agencies to reach communities most in need inside Ukraine, and in neighbouring countries. Your donations will provide clean water, healthcare, and travel into safe areas or into neighbouring countries. On behalf of the families you are reaching out to with kindness and compassion, thank you. Please keep the people of Ukraine in your prayers."*



## Parent's Meeting - First Communion Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May

Parents from any of our current groups can attend either session. Fr Brian will talk about First Communion and the day itself.

2.15 St Edward's Church Hall  
or 6pm St Joseph's Church



## St Joseph's Parish Hall

On Tuesday we welcomed governors and headteachers to a regional meeting of our Catholic schools, with leaders from Salford Diocese Education Department. A positive discussion took place, and we are grateful to all involved.

## What a Wonderful World

Our adventure around Anglezarke covered beautiful woodland, fields, lakes and moors. We were blessed with fine weather to enjoy fantastic scenery, great company and the awesome majesty of creation approaching summer. Photos will be published on Facebook & our Website gallery.



## Special Intention

At 4pm this Sunday, Fr Brian asks for your prayers, that his hopes ascend to the heavenly heights for another year!

## Jubilee Cake Sale & Sunday Refreshments

Next Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> May after 9am & 11am Masses

All proceeds to the Royal British Legion



## Mass Intentions

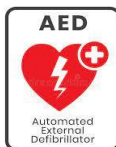
**Lately Dead:** Allan Hewitt, James Venguedasalon,

**Anniversaries:** Thomas Gillet (25<sup>th</sup> May); Anthony McIntyre (25<sup>th</sup> May).

**Live-Stream St Joseph's:** <https://www.churchservices.tv/darwen>



### Knights of St Columba Meeting Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 7.30pm St Joseph's



#### Defibrillator Plans

With the help of the Parish, The Knights are planning to fundraise to buy a defibrillator for each Church.

The estimated cost is £1,500 for each machine! Please look out for KSC fundraising events and support these when you can. All donations are also welcome in a sealed envelope marked:

KSC Defibrillator & amount enclosed.



### COME & SING - INCLUSUS

Started in lockdown now meeting in person: 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays of month St Joseph's Parish Hall Darwen.

All welcome to join this inclusive group of singers.

- All ages and voice-types welcome.
- No singing experience required.
- Sight reading not essential.
- Ability to enjoy tea and cake encouraged.

Email to join the mailing: [inclususchoir@gmail.com](mailto:inclususchoir@gmail.com)

### Moors Fire Warning

There was another fire on our moors this week, which thankfully was quickly under control. Despite the rain, the grass is still dry and fire spreads rapidly with the wind. Please be cautious and vigilant. **IF YOU SEE FIRE CALL 999.**



### Sliding Doors Hub 'Open For All'

Sliding Doors is a place of belonging, laughter, and fresh beginnings. It is a local voluntary group that creates life-changing opportunities for people living with disability, loneliness or who simply want to be part of a community that cares for each other and has fun. <https://ourlancashire.org.uk/groups/sliding-doors-hub-open-for-all/>

Contact: Julie Astley Phone: 047378416133

Email: [slidingdoorssocial@gmail.com](mailto:slidingdoorssocial@gmail.com)

### Sliding Doors Group – Special Invitation

*Queens Platinum Jubilee*

*Traditional Afternoon Tea Party*

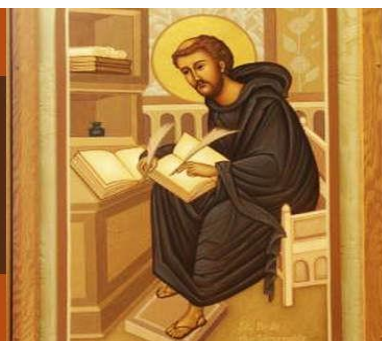
Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May 12.30- 3pm St Edward's Hall

Tickets from The Hub or call 07495 303224

Entertainment from the Musi Man Stephen Shaw

**OPEN TO ALL**

SAINT BEDE  
*Pray For Us*



### St Bede the Venerable – Feast Day 25<sup>th</sup> May

This Wednesday, let us pray all members of our high school community at St Bede's. May they continue to follow the example of their patron.

Saint Bede was an English monk, scholar, author and a teacher, known to be the greatest Anglo-Saxon scholar. He was one of the few saints who enjoyed an honourable status even during his lifetime. Based in Northumbria, Bede was an early Father of the Catholic Church in our land.



### Summer Family Walks 3-4 Miles

**Dates & details to be published soon.**

We will be organising 3 fun walks in the summer holidays, suitable for anyone school age or above.



Egerton Expedition  
Whalley Wander  
Tower Trail



BLACKBURN  
MUSIC  
SOCIETY

*Music for Monarchs*

A Celebration Concert  
Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> June 7pm  
St Silas' Church Blackburn

Fr Brian's No Car Day – Tuesday this week.

### WEEKLY COLLECTIONS – MANY THANKS

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### Mass Rota Next Weekend 28<sup>th</sup> / 29<sup>th</sup> May

**Readers:** 6.15pm D Witherington;  
9am B Hughes; 11am A Atkinson.

**Ministers:** 6.15pm P Ainscough;  
9am M Alvarez; 11am B Beardsworth.

