

"O woman, great is your faith!

The Catholic Parish of The Sacred Heart, Darwen

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20 th Sunday in Ordinary Time <i>St Joseph's</i>		St Edward's	20 th August 2023
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Saturday	6.15 p.m.		Vigil Mass
Sunday	9.00 a.m.	11.00 a.m.	Sunday Masses
Monday	9.15 a.m.		Mass
Tuesday		10.00 a.m.	Mass followed by tea, coffee and cake and a discussion upon the eschatological promise and its influence on incarnate daily expressions of faith.
Wednesday	9.15 a.m.		Eucharistic Service
Thursday		9.15 a.m.	Mass
Friday	9.15 a.m.		Mass
Saturday	6.15 p.m.	9.15 a.m.	Mass Vigil Mass
Sunday	9.00 a.m.	11.00 a.m.	21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Father Brian's Sponsored Walk

This is the last official week of collection, and we are confident the sum will reach over £5,000. So, thank you to all who have contributed to this cause.

Somewhere in the Ukraine a worried mother will get help, or a hungry child get food, because of your kindness. Pray for peace and an end to this stupid war. At the same time pray for Yemen where the innocent suffers because of international power struggles.

The parishioners would like to thank Fr Brian for his tremendous effort in undertaking this walk which has enabled this project to be such a success.

The Relics of St Columba, St Andrew, and St

These relics will be presented at the front of church on Sunday 10th September at St Joseph's 9.00 am Mass and St Edwards 11.00 am Mass.

Poets Corner

Morning Meditation

From all eternity Call me again Into the reality Of this tick tock time.

Not from where I should be. Not from where I want to be. But from where I am.

> Then, refocused Let me begin



Live-Stream St Joseph's:

https://www.churchservices.tv/darwen

A special word for all those at home who follow the Church services on our streaming service. You remain very welcome and a real part of our praying community.

Mass Intentions

Lately Dead: Carol Cooper (LD), Margaret Marie Walker (LD) Joyce Catterall (LD) **Anniversaries:** Catherine Louise Haworth, Russel Cowell, Michael John Kerrane,

Special Intentions:

Food Larder

Do you have any spare pet food? Those who love their pets will often prioritise the animal above themselves.

Thus, it is a kindness to relieve them of this worry for a short time. What's more we cannot really use funding to pay for such items.





Housebound

If you are now housebound or know of anyone who need visiting, please let Fr Brian or a member of the SVP know, and we will try and arrange a visit.

Donations required for Knitting Wool

We are looking for donations of knitting wool suitable to make baby and children's clothing. A kind lady is knitting for the town's refugee and asylum families.

Please leave any contributions at the rear of church and we will arrange to get it to the knitter.

For more information, please contact Patsy Bellusci, or Maggie Alvarez.





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Race Night

The Knights of St. Columba are organising a family fun night out at St Joseph's Parish Hall on **Saturday 7th October 2023.**

The evening will take the form of a Race Night, doors open 7.30 with the first race starting at 8.00 pm. Entry price is £6.00 adults, £3.00 children which includes supper.

Exam Results

August is the month when our children receive their exam results. May they be happy with their achievements and be congratulated on all the efforts they have made.

The Parish would like to thank all the parents and school staff who have also shown great patience in supporting our children. Life has many pathways and opportunities that are not always clear when embarking on the journey, but the biggest achievement starts with the first step.

Cost of Printing

You may notice something of a shortage of newsletters. It is because Fr Brian is mean and the cost of ink ridiculous.

Christmas is coming

Could we have your thoughts on any special charities we need to consider for a donation from any events we organise.

COME ON ENGLAND

The Lionesses are to kick off the final in Australia as we begin the mass at St Edwards. That is 11.00 am. **All** mobile phones and electrical devices must be switched off thus avoiding any cries of exultation during the Gospel, or consecration.

It is worthy of note that you pay for these beautiful church's used by so many. It is also worth recognising that the money does need to come in and there are fewer in the church. So, thank you and pray that we can keep on going.

Thank you for your support.

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Rotas this Weekend 19th and 20th August 2023

Readers: 6.15pm: D. Witherington 9am: G. Brindle 11am: A. Atkinson Ministers: 6.15pm: P. Ainscough 9am: M.R. Gordon 11am: B. Suddick

Rotas next Weekend 26th and 27th August 2023

<u>Readers:</u> 6.15pm: C. Garrity 9am: M. Alvarez 11am: M. Bauer <u>Ministers:</u> 6.15pm: C. Garrity 9am: M. Alvarez 11am: T. Kennedy