



“Look: there is the Lamb of God.”

# The Catholic Parish of The Sacred Heart, Darwen

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2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time A			15th January 2023
	St Joseph's	St Edward's	
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>6.15 p.m.</b>		<b>Vigil Mass</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9.00 a.m.</b>	<b>11.00 a.m.</b>	<b>Sunday Masses</b>
Monday	9.15 a.m.		Mass
Tuesday		10.00 a.m.	Mass followed by Tea and Cakes
Wednesday	9.15 a.m.		Mass
Thursday		9.15 a.m.	Mass
Friday	9.15 a.m.		Eucharistic Service
<b>Saturday</b>		9.15 a.m.	<b>Mass</b>
	<b>6.15 p.m.</b>		<b>Vigil Mass 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9.00 a.m.</b>	<b>11.00 a.m.</b>	<b>Sunday Mass 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time</b>

## Coach Trip

The destination for our next coach trip will be to the City of Liverpool. Famed for its two cathedrals, the Tate Gallery, Royal Albert Dock and, for the shoppers amongst you, let's not forget Liverpool 1.

We will be taking a 49 seater luxury coach to Liverpool on **Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2023**. This will leave St Josephs at 9.30 am. and from opposite the Anchor pub at approx. 9.40 am. at a cost of £15.00 per person. To book your place, please post in either presbytery, the full cost of the trip placed in an envelope, upon which write your name, the number of places booked and a contact telephone number.

## Sacramental Programme 2023

The meetings of parents for children wishing to start on the Sacramental Programme are to take place on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> January. The venue for these meetings will be at St Edwards Hall at 2.15pm and then in the evening at St Josephs at 6.00pm.

These meetings welcome the parents of the children attending our schools together with those who attend from non-catholic school.

## Catholic Newspaper

Please collect your own copy of the Catholic Newspaper to take home. It provides an interesting insight into the wider issues regarding the Catholic Faith outside the confines of our Parish.

## FRIENDS OF SERENITY

The grand total of our donations to this charity to date was £2,857.60

This is a truly remarkable achievement and thanks go to all who have helped to reach this target.

This charity works hard to help families during a difficult period offering support underpinned by simple respect.



## Week Day Masses

Fr Brian is very appreciative of those who are able to attend the mid-week mass programme. He would be even happier if more people could add to their Sunday worship by attending a mid-week mass. Let's strengthen our community by establishing and growing this way forward.

## Gift Aid

### Reminder

There are still a number of offertory envelopes that need to be collected from the rear of both churches. Please remember to pick up your envelopes as this method of donation provides us with an extra income of 25p for each pound you give if you are a UK taxpayer.

If you wish to donate by this method, please ring Alex on 07598908987 to arrange.

## Mass Intentions

**Lately Dead:** Mary Fenton (LD), Connie Dixon (LD) Kenneth Grimshaw (LD) Hazel Ainscough (LD)

**Anniversaries:** Maureen Jennings, Maureen Roberts, Tianna Thompson, Ages Cabbage, Wilfrid Cabbage John Walsh, Ann Shaw

**Special Intentions:** Mass for a special intention.

### Mill Hill Missionaries (The Red Boxes)

If you have any donations or a Red Box that needs to be emptied, please leave these at the back of our Churches.

This charity originally offered support in Brazil and Ecuador, but now also operates within Cameroon, East Africa, Philippines and India.

If you would like to help and support this charity please contact Maggie at St Josephs or Sara at St Edwards. The New Year is a good time to start.

### Darwen Cricket

Before the new season starts, why not consider becoming a member (for a small fee). You will then be able to walk onto the ground and watch and enjoy high quality cricket for free, Fr Brian is enthusiastic that they come second this year and is pining for the summer season to arrive.

### Primary School Admissions

The deadline is 15<sup>th</sup> January 2023.

If your child turns 4 between 1/9/22 - 31/8/23 now is the time to apply for a primary school place. Contact the schools for details.



### St Edward's School

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### Fr Brian's No Car Day –Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> January



### Visit to the Housebound

Fr Brian plans to visit and take communion to the housebound in our Parish on the afternoon of Friday 20<sup>th</sup> January.

Please would all Eucharistic ministers let the parishioners know so that arrangements can be made. If you know of anyone who would like to be added to the list, then please let Fr Brian or Chris Avino know.

### Poem for the Week

#### DANCE

by me

God writes the music  
and invites me  
to enter the dance.  
Steps wild or timid  
created  
by choice and chance  
within the consecrated melody.

God writes the music  
and invites,  
**me**  
to enter  
the dance.

### SVP

Saint Vincent De Paul charity are to have a special collection as you leave church on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> January. This money will be used for local needs.



This small group of individuals respond to local Darwen poverty in all its forms. They offer friendship and practical support to the vulnerable or isolated individuals within our community. Inspired by Christ's message to love our neighbour as ourselves, they offer hope together with dignity. Please support if you are able.

### Thank you for your support.

Collections as follows for December 2022 period

Friends of Serenity £2,156.40

Standing Orders £1,234.50

Loose Plate/Envelopes £1,768.22

This is in addition to other Friends of Serenity payments received,

Christmas Fayre Proceeds £1,002.41

**WEEKLY COLLECTIONS – THANK YOU**

**A/C: TSDT Sacred Heart**

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### Rotas Next Weekend 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2023

**Readers:** 6.15pm: L. Atherton

9am: B. Hughes 11am: B. Beardsworth

**Ministers:** 6.15pm: R. Knowles

9am: F. Davis 11am: T. Kennedy

