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"I have come not to abolish but to fulfill.

6 th Sunday in Ordinary Time A			12 th February 2023
	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	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
Saturday		9.15 a.m.	Mass
	6.15 p.m.		Vigil Mass 7th Sunday Ordinary Time
Sunday	9.00 a.m.	11.00 a.m.	Sunday Mass 7th Sunday Ordinary Time

Earthquake Appeal- URGENT

Next weekends collections from St Joseph and St Edwards will all be sent to the Earthquake Appeal of Syria and Turkey. We will send the money via CAFOD who are a part of the Disaster Emergency Committee (DEC) which have been promised up to £5 million match funding by the Government. This means that every pound that you give could be doubled. As well as this, CAFOD already has contacts in Turkey and Syria with which to administer the aid. Please ask your families to help with these donations. This is vital support that they need in order to survive this terrible natural disaster!

Food Larder

We will be having our regular meetings for all involved in the Food Larder on Wednesday 15th February in St Joseph's Church at 7.00 PM There is great work being carried out by volunteers of the faith communities across Darwen. There is still a great call for this help.

Good News St Edwards

It seems that we may be able to claim on insurance for the theft of the coping stone that were stolen from the top of the walls around the car park at St Edwards. Maybe we will end up buying back what was taken. Who knows !!!!!.

Lent Lunch

During the period of Lent after an 11.30 Mass on each Tuesday, there will be a lunch of soup and bread and water in St Edwards Church Hall. All funds raised will go to the general work of CAFOD.

This will be a great way to practice Lent.



Gift Aid

Important Information

The new forms are now being distributed by Alec Gordon who will also help people complete the form starting from this weekend 11th and 12th February. It is an extremely simple process. You just confirm the name and address, and your payment method are correct and then sign the form. Your method of payment will not change.

For every £100 that we receive from our charitable parishioners, the government gives us an extra £25 for free!!, if you contribute via Gift Aid and are a UK Taxpayer. In order for us to take advantage of this generous offer, we must have an up-to-date record of you agreeing to this way of contributing so that we can claim this extra money.

Mass Intentions

Lately Dead: Joseph Donnelly (LD)

Anniversaries: Paul John Davies, Elizabeth Ardis, Kathleen Roberts, Jim Dawson, Rita Flynn, Sheila Mary Jardine, Mary Scott, Colin Charnock, Winifred Oldfield, Peggy Read, Lilian Gillett.

Birthday Intentions: Russell Cowell, Sarah Ann Harrison **Special Intentions:** Mass for successful treatment.

Coach Trip

We will be taking a 49 seater luxury coach to Liverpool on **Tuesday 21st 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. Put your name on the list at the back of church. To book your place, please post through the letterbox 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.

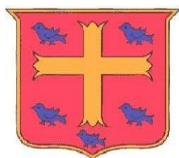
The City of Liverpool is famed for its two cathedrals, the Tate Gallery, Royal Albert Dock and, for the shoppers amongst you, let's not forget Liverpool 1.

Ash Wednesday

Just a little thought and a date for your diary. Ash Wednesday is on 22nd February 2023.

First Confessions

Our children celebrated their first confessions last week. They now continue with their special journey as they now move forward towards receiving their First Holy Communion.



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Fr Brian's No Car Day –Monday 5th February



Hospital Duty

Fr Brian is on hospital call on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday this week.

Reconciliation Service

We are planning to hold a Reconciliation Service (Confessions) on Tuesday 28th March.

Holiday Time

Fr Brian will soon be going on a short break and requests that those who attend the daily mass to please continue to come along to the church while he is away.

This will keep the prayer life of our Parish ticking over.

Catholic Newspaper

The latest edition of the The Monthly Catholic Post is now available for free from the back of church. Please take one and have a good read on the wider issues affecting Christian life and values in the wider community.

Poem for the Week

If Only or Serenity

To be old enough
Not to need children
To visit a Zoo
Or play with pebbles on a beach
To feel the exhilaration
Of sunshine on the face
and sleep
Free
of pointless anxiety

St Patrick's Day

The 17th March is St Patrick's Day, the day we recognise as the traditional death date of St Patrick who was the foremost patron saint of Ireland. The Knights of St Columba are looking to arrange a celebratory event to mark this day in the Catholic calendar. So, watch this space for further details as they become available.

Thank you for your support.

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS – THANK YOU

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Rotas Next Weekend 18th and 19th February 2023

Readers: 6.15pm: L. Atherton
9am: B. Hughes 11am: C. Avino

Ministers: 6.15pm: R. Knowles
9am: F. Davis 11am: M. Bauer

