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"And their eyes were opened, and they knew him".

3 rd Sunday Easter Divine			23 rd April 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.		Eucharistic Service and Fr Brian's Birthday
Tuesday		10.00 a.m.	Mass followed by Tea Coffee and Cake
Wednesday	9.15 a.m.		Mass
Thursday	1.00 p.m.		Requiem Mass Trent Duffy (LD)
Friday	11.00 a.m.		Requiem Mass Helen McGlown (LD)
Saturday		9.15 a.m.	Mass
	6.15 p.m.		Vigil Mass
Sunday	9.00 a.m.	11.00 a.m.	Sunday Mass 4 th Sunday of Easter

Coach Trip to Lancaster

This parish outing is arranged for parishioners and friends alike. Great attention is paid to the Health and Safety of all those attending.

The trip to Lancaster is now arranged for Thursday 25th May 2023 leaving Darwen at 9.30 and leaving Lancaster at 5.00 pm for our return journey.

The cost has been set at £15 per person. A list on which to add your name will go up at the back of both churches. To book your place please post through the letterbox of either presbytery the full cost of the trip placed in an envelope upon which you must write your name, the number of the places, the name of the trip and your contact telephone number.

Things to do in Lancaster:

Explore the grounds of Lancaster Castle with its chilling history, hidden facts and stories that helped shape England's heritage.

Visit Lancaster Cathedral, St Peter's, the mother church of the Diocese of Lancaster, a spiritual home to Catholics living between Preston and Carlisle. Discover the history of the Port of Lancaster in the Maritime Museum, for the more adventurous a walk around Williamson Park would be in order or you could just enjoy the shopping and cafes around the city centre.

Happy Birthday

I am sure that all of our Parishioners would want to join together and wish Fr Brian a very happy birthday for Monday 24th April. Yes he is 21 again!!

In the words of Fr. Brian
"When I get older losing my hair"



St Bede's School Production

There is a production of Beauty and the Beast on the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th of May at St Bede's School.

Tickets for this production are selling out fast, so don't delay. What's more before the show there will be a series of Spring Stalls selling refreshments, raffle tickets etc which will all go to help fund the school garden project.

Further details will be available soon or contact the school directly.



Mass Intentions

Lately Dead: Mary Ingeborg Taylor (LD), Jimmy Mullaney (LD), Trent Duffy (LD RIP), Helen McGown, Joan Holden (LD), Anthony Cains (LD), Arthur Holmes (LD), David Wall (LD), Joyce Dodd (LD).

Anniversaries:

Special Intentions:

Birthday Anniversaries

Summer Holiday Family Day Trip to St. Annes

Fr Brian is organising the transport for a day trip on Thursday 10th August to St. Annes. This will be at a cost of £5.00 per person setting off from St Joseph Church at 9.00am and at the Anchor at 9.10 am. and we will return at 5.00 p.m prompt.

The Parish organises the transport, the children remain your responsibility.

Places on the trip are on a first come first served basis and can be reserved with payment at both of our schools or with the parish in a clearly marked envelope containing all names of those going, full payment and contact telephone number.

CONFIRMATIONS

There have been 67 applications for Confirmation from St Bede's RC High School this year. It is therefore proposed that as the Bishop of our Diocese will be coming to celebrate this sacrament, there will be two evening sessions to accommodate the crowd.

More information is to follow shortly.

York Day Out

The Parish is planning ahead and have now arranged for a day out in the beautiful historic city of York. The date for your diary has been set for Wednesday 12th July 2023. The arrangement will be similar to the Lancaster trip and full details will be available soon.

Things to do in York include a visit to York Minister, a trip to Clifford Tower, a walk around the ancient city wall, experience Viking life at the Jorvik centre, a visit to the National Railway Museum or just enjoy tea and cake at Betty's Tea Room.



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Food Larder

At the meeting of those involved last Wednesday, the pressures of increased cost and a higher demand were discussed. The cost of each parcel of food is frightening, and the amount of work done in preparation is increasing. At present all money from Baptisms is going to CAFOD. From this point on it has been decided that half will still be sent to CAFOD, and half to support the Food Larder.

Maintaining our support of local needs means that we continue to strengthen our Darwen community. Thanks go to all the helpers involved in this vital work.

First communions

The First Communion of our young people will take place this year for St Edward's pupils on Sunday 11th June. Pupils from St Joseph's will take place on Sunday 25th of June.

No Car Day

Fr Brian's No Car Day will be on Wednesday 26th April.



Spring- a short poem by Christina Rossetti

There is no time like Spring,
When life's alive in everything,
Before new nestlings sing,
Before cleft swallows speed their journey back
Along the trackless track –
God guides their wing,
He spreads their table that they nothing lack, –
Before the daisy grows a common flower
Before the sun has power
To scorch the world up in his noontide hour...

Thank you for your support.

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS – THANK YOU

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Rotas Next Weekend 29th and 30th April 2023

Readers: 6.15pm: D. Witherington
9am: G. Brindle 11am: A. Atkinson

Ministers: 6.15pm: P. Ainscough
9am: M.R. Gordon 11am: J. Ainsworth

