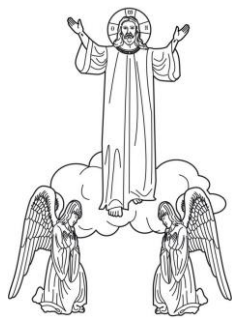


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"Father, the hour has come, glorify your Son."

7th Sunday Easter		21 st May 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, coffee, cake and Ballroom dancing, encrusted ballgowns and smart Saville Row suits. <i>Fr Brian to lead the first dance. ed</i>
Wednesday	9.15 a.m.		Mass
Thursday		9.15 a.m.	Eucharistic Service
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.	Sunday Mass Pentecost

Ministers Meeting

The Church Ministers of Darwen met this week at the house of St Joseph's. As a consequence, it was decided to plan for a walk between the various places of worship in Darwen. This would be undertaken during Interfaith Week which is in November.

Discussions also covered how the churches could make a more prominent feature of the Crib in Darwen Town Centre during the celebration of Christmas.

A further topic agreed was for local Ministers to spend time together in Gospel reflection. We also included all the necessary work being undertaken by the food larder, refugee integration, social acts that the church community carry out together.

CONFIRMATIONS

The first class for the confirmation programme takes place this Tuesday 23rd May 2023 at St Bedes School Thanks go to the staff for undertaking so much hard work in the preparation of our children.

The Bishop of our Diocese will be coming to celebrate the sacrament with us.

Coach Trip to Lancaster

Sadly there has been insufficient people who have booked for this trip to the city of Lancaster. So we have been obliged to cancel the trip.

Moving People, the coach company, did not charge a cancellation fee, for which we are grateful. However, it is a shame that we are not able to get together to have a day of fun.

People who had booked and paid for this trip can have the monies carried forward to the York trip or have a refund. Please inform Fr Brian of your intention.

Please book early for the York trip on the 12th July. See details below.

EXAM TIME

Please pray for our young people who face their first public exams about this time. May they be free to do their best and be happy with the results.



Live-Stream St Joseph's:

<https://www.churchservices.tv/darwen>

Mass Intentions

Lately Dead: Milka Vukovic (LD),

Anniversaries: Joyce Harwood, Bernard Healy, Thomas Gillett, Martha Hayday, Rosaleen Smith, Ken Witherington, Dorothy Witherington.

Birthday Anniversaries: Ann Harwood.

Special Intentions:

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's 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.



York Day Out

A coach trip has been arranged for a day out in the beautiful and historic city of York. The trip to York will be on **Wednesday 12th July 2023** leaving St Joseph's Darwen at 9.30 am and from St Edward's at 9.40 am. We will be leaving York at 5.00 pm for our return journey home.

Come and join us on this day out and explore the ancient and historic city of York.

Please book your place now. A list will be available at the back of both churches.

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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**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

First Communion

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.**



Make a Will

Have you made a will yet?

To be born in this country is quite simple. But to die !!!!! Make things so much easier for your family by making a safe clear will. It would be sad if they all ended up fighting over your Des O'Conner record collection.

Thank you for your support.

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS – THANK YOU

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Rotas Next Weekend 27th and 28th May 2023

Readers: 6.15pm: C. Garrity

9am: G. Brindle 11am: T. Kennedy

Ministers: 6.15pm: P. Ainscogh

9am: M.R.Gordon 11am: B. Suddick