



The Catholic Parish of The Sacred Heart, Darwen

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"I am the living bread that came down from heaven."

Corpus Christi			11 th June 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
Tuesday		10.00 a.m.	Mass followed by tea, coffee, cake and dialogue, which Government would do well to copy the process of solving the world's problems. Oh and toast!
Wednesday	9.15 a.m.		Mass
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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.	11 th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass of Healing

The Mass of Healing will be on **Saturday 15th of July** at Edwards Church Hall at 2pm. Fr Brian will be celebrating Mass followed by afternoon tea. If you or anyone you know would like to attend, please add yours and their names to the list at the back of each church. Transport if needed will be provided by Dial-a-ride.

Would all Eucharist Ministers please ask those they visit if they would like to attend.
Thanks Maggie Alvarez SVP.

CAFOD PETITION

At the back of Church this weekend there is a petition for the world bank in solidarity with poor farmers in Bangladesh. This addresses part of an international problem where big businesses try to control the seed market. Farmers are threatened with prosecution if they use traditional methods of producing seeds for planting in their fields. Businesses want them to be dependent upon expensive planting seed which is sold by the large companies. **Please** sign the petition as you enter or leave Church.

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. The seats are going fast and if you wish to come along, please reserve your place now and join us to 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.

Find a Grave

The Friends of Darwen Cemetery are holding an event on **Saturday 24th June** to help you find a family grave or someone you know within Darwen Old Cemetery. The event will be running between 10.30 and 1.00pm and is free to attend.



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: Bradley Cookson (LD)

Anniversaries: Michael Reddy, Brian Entwistle

Birthday Anniversaries: Catherine Louise Haworth

Special Intentions:

WEDDING BELLS

Congratulations go to **Megan Hollie Wright**, and **Liam Jacob McIver** who are to make their marriage vows on **Friday 16th of June.**

May they have health and happiness.



CONFIRMATIONS

Our children continue to work extremely hard in preparation for receiving the sacrament of Confirmation which takes place on Wednesday the **28th June 2023.**

The service will be led by Bishop John Arnold who I am sure we will all join together to give him a big Darrener's welcome.

40th Anniversary in the Priesthood

On the 23rd of July Fr Brian will have been serving as a Roman Catholic priest for 40 years.

He has had an idea!

Much as he does not want any fuss, he recognises that this would be a good opportunity to raise funds for humanitarian work in the Ukraine. He will thus be going on a sponsored walk to Burnley and back, to celebrate those years. All funds raised will go to the CAFOD appeal for the Ukraine and will be matched by parish funds.

Further details to follow.

First Communion

The First Communion of our young people will take place this year for St Edward's pupils at St Edwards Church on **Sunday 11th June at 1.00pm**

Pupils from St Joseph's will take place on **Sunday 25th of June.** Please pray for children families and the whole community.



Food Larder Contributions

At the moment we are contributing to the Food Larder in many different ways. As a community we are contributing half of the monies donated from the baptism services to help meet this need. The other half is donated to CAFOD.

In addition, could you all make a habit of **bringing a tin of food or toiletries to Mass.** Just place the items in the box to be found at the back of both churches. This wonderful gift would be an extra symbol of effort in these dangerously expensive days.



Summer Holiday Family Day Trip to St. Annes now Cancelled

Although we will be going to YORK, the trip to St Anne's this year is cancelled, as a result of lack of take up.

There is no money around even for a cheaper trip!

As you can guess the bills this year have been high. Put the heating on and it costs, turn the heating off with such old buildings, things go wrong, and it costs. 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.

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS – THANK YOU

May

Standing Orders £1224.50

Cash etc £2030.21

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Rotas Next Weekend 17th and 18th June 2023

Readers: 6.15pm: D. Witherington

9am: S. McMillan 11am: J. Ainsworth

Ministers: 6.15pm: P. Wardle

9am: G. Brindle 11am: J. Ainsworth



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