



“...upon this rock I will build my church.....”

The Catholic Parish of The Sacred Heart, Darwen

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21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
St Joseph's

St Edward's

27th August 2023

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 and a general recovery from the Bank Holiday festivities.
Wednesday	9.15 a.m.		Mass
Thursday	11.00 a.m.		Requiem Mass for Carol Cooper (LD)
Friday	9.15 a.m.		Mass
Saturday		9.15 a.m.	Mass
	6.15 p.m.		Vigil Mass
Sunday	9.00 a.m.	11.00 a.m.	22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Father Brian's Sponsored Walk

So, the fantastic total of £5,000.00 was reached by the generosity of our parishioners. This consists of £1960 sent directly from the Just Giving page, which itself created a bonus of £425.00 from you lovely tax paying people via gift aid. Then direct payment into the parish totalled £2525.00, and finally the third method of contribution was payments direct to CAFOD totalling £90.00.

This full amount has now been sent to CAFOD to help support the victims of the Ukrainian War.

You are extremely generous people, and such kindness will find expression in some care for the innocent of that stupid military conflict.

The Relics of St Columba, St Andrew, and St Margaret.

These relics will be presented at the front of church on **Sunday 10th September** at St Joseph's 9.00 am Mass and St Edwards 11.00 am Mass.

Poets Corner

What is wrong
With being wrong
When being right
teaches you nothing

What is bad
About the disaster
When the yearning
Leads to more.

Why celebrate
the conclusion
When the resolution
Was forged in failure.

Why see the triumph
In the culmination
When the glorious have arisen
And go on before



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: Carol Cooper (LD), Lynn Higham (LD), Joyce Catterall (LD)

Anniversaries: Herbert Sandbach, Robert Makin.

Special Intentions:

Food Larder

Do you have any spare pet food? Those who love their pets will often prioritise the animal above themselves.

Thus, it is a kindness to relieve them of this worry for a short time. What's more we cannot really use funding to pay for such items.



Candidates to become Catholic

As Christmas approaches, we shall again be setting up classes in preparation for individuals interested in becoming full members of the Roman Catholic Church. If you are curious then mention this to Fr Brian and watch this space.

Women's Football

We hope that the Lionesses have inspired girls of our community to set their aspirations high and to realise that their ambitions can be achieved. Did you know that Blackburn Rovers have a women's football squad who do occasionally play at Ewood Park?

Donations required for Knitting Wool

We are looking for donations of knitting wool suitable to make baby and children's clothing. Please leave any contributions at the rear of church and we will arrange to get it to the knitter. Please contact Patsy Bellusci, or Maggie Alvarez.

Race Night

The Knights of St. Columba are organising a family fun night out at St Joseph's Parish Hall on **Saturday 7th October 2023.**

The evening will take the form of a Race Night, doors open 7.30 with the first race starting at 8.00 pm. Entry price is £6.00 adults, £3.00 children which includes supper.

Exam Results

Now that GCSE's and other exam results have been received, we hope our children are happy with their achievements and should be congratulated on all the efforts they have made. The Parish would like to thank all the parents and school staff who have also shown great patience in supporting our children.

Christmas is coming

We are still looking for suggestions regarding adopting charities as we move towards Christmas. The following have already been put forward as possibilities. The Knights of St. Columba National Action Charity Let the Children Live. This charity provides for children in Medellin Columbia. £50 provides lunch for a month, £25 helps with bus fares for a month and £10 provides a child with a school pack. There has been a suggestion that we adopt The Pulmonary Fibrosis Trust, a charity established 10 years ago to provide personal and practical help to victims. Pulmonary Fibrosis being a progressive lung disease, for which there is no cure. A relatively rare illness which claims 800 lives in the UK each year. **Other suggestions are still welcome.**

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.

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Rotas next Weekend 2nd & 3rd September 2023

Readers: 6.15pm: L. Atherton
9am: B. Hughes 11am: B. Beardsworth
Ministers: 6.15pm: R. Knowles
9am: F. Davis 11am: P. Corran



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Rotas this Weekend 26th & 27th August 2023

Readers: 6.15pm: C. Garrity
9am: M. Alvarez 11am: M. Bauer
Ministers: 6.15pm: C. Garrity
9am: M. Alvarez 11am: T. Kennedy