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"He taught them as one having authority"

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

28th January 2024

St Joseph's

St Edward's

Saturday	6.15 p.m.	9.15 a.m.	Mass 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 and Cake and a summary of the FA Cup Wrexham game from the night before.
Wednesday	9.15 a.m.		Mass
Thursday		9.15 a.m.	Mass
Friday	11.00 a.m.		Requiem Mass Rita Ward (LD)
Saturday	6.15 p.m.	9.15 a.m.	Mass Vigil Mass
Sunday	9.00 a.m.	11.00 a.m.	Mass the 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our Parish Coach Trip 2024

People enjoyed the trips that were organised last year 2023. We are now into a new year and the planning must continue if we are to enjoy further trips this year.

The coach trip has been arranged for **Thursday 22nd February**. The coach outing is planned to go to the Museum of Science and Industry Manchester, followed by a visit to the Lowry complex with options to explore the LS Lowry gallery, shops and the Imperial War Museum North. The price for this day out will be £10.00 per person. If you wish to join us, please place your name on the list at the back of the churches and hand the money in an envelope marked "Manchester Trip" to Fr Brian

The next trip after that will be a visit to a stately home, when the weather will be improved, giving us the opportunity to wander around the grounds. Look out for further details in the newsletter or church poster

Food Larder Meeting

Many thanks to all who contributed to this gathering last Thursday.

This is a group of people comprised from all the local faith communities, working together to help solve just one of Darwen's problems.

A big thank you also goes to the Rotary Club for helping so much with this work.

Lent

The start of Lent begins on the 14th February - Ash Wednesday.

This year during the Lent period we shall be returning to soup and fasting after the Tuesday Mass. All funds that we are able to raise during this period will be donated to CAFOD to help with their important work.



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: Dorothy Ainsworth, Janet Coulthard, Michael Bolton, Nancy Conway, Rita Ward.

Anniversary: Annie Conlon, Mary Knowles, Tiana Thompson, Josef Bauer, Kathleen Mary Humphrys, Antonia Michele Raffaele, The Mears Family, The Makin Family, The Clarkson Family, Clarkson Jnr, The Sandbach Family, Joseph Smith, Maria Bolan, Winifred Boland, Lorraine Bowdich.

Special Intention: Mass for Special Intention, Debbie Simms a sick friend. A Mass for Special Intention.

Sacramental Programme

On this Sunday our children will be making their commitments to the sacramental programme. They are all most welcome and we look forward to witnessing their example. We ask everyone to support them at this most important time in their lives and by offering a few prayers for our children they can see that we continue live by the promises we made when we made our First Communion.

The service at St Joseph's Church will commence at 9.00 am with the service at St Edward's Church to commence at 11.00 am.

Faith Gathering

Thanks go to all who supported the gathering of different Church communities in St Edwards parish Hall last Tuesday. There was a lively discussion on matters to do with the practice of our faith.

We could be seen to debate and not fight. To learn what someone else means, and not just seek to prove that I am right.

SVP Meeting

Last Tuesday saw our local members of the SVP attend a district meeting of the Society to report back on the good work currently being undertaken within the community. This included working with local families and visiting the elderly.



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House Bound Visits

There will be housebound visits next Friday afternoon.

If there is anyone who wishes to receive Holy Communion in their home or you know someone that does, then please get in touch with Fr Brian who will make the necessary arrangements.

MOSI and The Lowry

The Museum of Science and Industry Manchester is devoted to inspiring visitors through ideas that changed the world, from the Industrial Revolution Textile Gallery to the science of today and beyond. The museum is based at the site of the oldest surviving passenger railway station.

The Lowry

The Lowry, situated in Salford is a world class arts centre offering a diverse programme of theatre, opera, musicals, dance, music, and visual art. The centre also displays a large collection of L.S. Lowry's iconic work. This artist is best known for his popular mill scenes, but his work also covers a wide range of themes and subjects.

The Imperial War Museum North

This is a unique purpose-built exhibition space giving a powerful voice to extraordinary stories of ordinary people, forced to live their lives in a world torn apart by conflict. Explore the timeline from the First World War to the present day, immerse yourself in the Big Picture Show, discover the forgotten histories of service personnel and civilians and see conflict through the eyes of artists.

It is worthy of note that you contribute towards our beautiful churches that are used by so many. So, thank you and pray that we can keep on going.

Thank you for your support.

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Rotas this Weekend 27th and 28th January 2024

Readers: 6.15 pm: C. Garrity

9 am: G. Brindle 11 am: A. Atkinson

Eucharistic Ministers: 6.15 pm: R. Knowles

9 am: M. Alvarez 11 am: T. Kennedy

Rotas next Weekend 3rd and 4th February 2024

Readers: 6.15 pm: L. Atherton

9 am: M. Alvarez 11am: M. Bauer

Eucharistic Ministers: 6.15 pm: P. Wardle

9 am: M. R. Gordon 11 am: P. Corran