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"...In three days I will raise it up "

3 rd Sunday of Lent		3 rd March 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		11.30 a.m.	Eucharistic Service followed by Lenten Soup and Bread in the Hall.
		1.30 p.m.	Requiem Mass Anthony Robert Rodhan (LD)
Wednesday	9.15 a.m.		Eucharistic Service
Thursday		9.15 a.m..	Eucharistic Service
Friday	9.15 a.m.		Eucharistic Service
Saturday	6.15 p.m.	9.15 a.m.	Eucharistic Service Vigil Mass
Sunday	9.00 a.m.	11.00 a.m.	Mass the 4 th Sunday of Lent

Stay and Play

Thanks go to those who made the first gathering of parents, grandparents, and children so lovely at St Edward's Hall on last Wednesday.

This coming **Wednesday 6th March** is a repeat of the event and it is planned to hold a session each subsequent Wednesday.

The Stay and Play starts at 9.00 am and runs until 10.30 am. Tea, coffee, toast and snacks will be provided for a donation of £1.50.

Goodness to others does not need to be complicated and sometimes just a simple structure is all that is needed.

Please come along and join in.

The Scouts

The aim of the Scout Association is to promote the development of young people in achieving their full physical, intellectual, social and spiritual potential.

Scouts are do-ers and give-it-a-go-ers. They go camping, hiking, swimming, abseiling, cycling and canoeing. But, they also get to hang out with their friends every week – having fun, playing games, working in a team and taking on new challenges. Everyone's welcome. All genders, races and backgrounds. Regardless of a young person's physical ability – there's a Scout adventure out there waiting for them.

St Edwards

St Edwards Scout Group Friday 6.30 until 8.00pm, in parish hall.

New members are always welcome

Please consider volunteering as a leader.



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: Bob Cowell (LD), Jeremy Fish (LD), Anthony Robert Rodham (LD)

Anniversary: Elizabeth Ardis, Kathleen Roberts, Sarah Ann Harrison, Bill Clarkson, John Howard, Barbara Taylor,

Special Intention: For Mothers Day Winnie Howard,

Daily Church attendance during Holiday Time

On Monday Fr Brian will sneak out before sunrise and hide from the wind and the rain. He is running away for a week or so. He intends to seek out treasures of Chinese manufacturers and the all-Day British fried breakfast.

Fr Brian prays that you will support the church while he is exploring the avenues of adventure. There will come a time when such support is just essential.

The Salesian Order and probably Fr Michael Winstanley will be covering for Fr Brian while he is off enjoying himself. Please welcome him.

Lenten Commitment

This Tuesday's Eucharistic Service is at 11.30 to facilitate an early fasting lunch of soup and bread. Volunteers produce the soup; all funds go to CAFOD.

You have to make a conscious choice to act upon your faith. Thus, over all a good thing. Join in and be a part of something good.

Lenten Talk

Fr Brian will be giving a one hour class on prayer. This will take place in St Edwards Hall on **Tuesday 19th of March commencing at 7.00pm** All will be made welcome for this simple exploration of this art of prayer.

St Joseph's School Baptisms

Last Wednesday we had a beautiful baptism service at the church for some of the pupils. They are all wonderful and a great symbol of hope.



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House Bound Visits

If there is anyone who wishes to receive Holy Communion in their home or you know someone that does, please contact Chris Avino on 07758848559 to make the arrangements.

Fr Brian is always happy to accommodate parishioners who attend church.

Weekday Mass Attendance

A large thank you go to those faithful who attend daily mass at both of our Churches. Lent is here do **you** think you could commit to attending Mass, or a Eucharistic Service at least once a week during this reflective period.

What are YOU doing for Lent? Exercise, reading, sleep early once a week, cut out - an evening of TV, booze, chocolate, keep a diary, cook one good meal, go to Mass Mid-week.

Do Something.

SVP

The next meeting of the SVP group will be on **Monday 3rd March** at St Joseph's at 7.00pm



Mill Hill Missionaries

Just to make you aware that now is the time for the collection of your Red Boxes. This will happen over the next few weeks.

The magazine will also be distributed during this period.

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 2nd and 3rd March 2024

Readers: 6.15 pm: D. Witherington

9 am: M. Alvarez 11am: A. Frangleton

Eucharistic Ministers: 6.15 pm: P. Wardle

9 am: M.R. Gordon 11 am: C. Avino

Rotas next Weekend 9th and 10th March 2024

Readers: 6.15 pm: C. Garrity

9 am: B. Hughes 11 am: J. Walsh

Eucharistic Ministers: 6.15 pm: P. Ainscough

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