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"He sent them out two by two and gave them authority over unclean spirits."

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
St Joseph's St Edward's

14th July 2024

Saturday	6.15 p.m.		Vigil Mass
Sunday	9.00 a.m.	11.00 a.m.	Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday	9.15 a.m.		Mass
Tuesday	9.15 a.m.	10.00 a.m.	St Joseph's School Leavers Mass Eucharistic service followed by Tea, Coffee and Cake and then training for the Olympic cake eating Gold medal.
Wednesday	9.15 a.m.		Mass
Thursday		9.15 a.m.	Mass
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.	Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Stay and Play

The Stay and Play group on Wednesday mornings will hold their last session before the summer holiday break on **Wednesday 17th July 2024**.

We will reopen after the holidays on **Wednesday 11th September 9-10.30am**. There will be a couple of Wednesdays in the holidays that the play group will be running but these are by pre-booking only to ensure numbers are kept to a safe amount.

A big Thank You to everyone who has continued to support this including Carol and Naomi who help in the kitchen each week with refreshments.

Thanks
Kezia



The Travels of Father Geo

Fr Geo is enjoying himself on his travels around the area. He has visited Manchester and experienced the joys of our Rail system, returning from that great city on the bus. On Friday he visited York and learned all about the Roman Settlements there. In between times he has been walking on the moors of Lancashire and Yorkshire, as well as watching local cricket and praying for an English victory in Europe.

He has just over one week left with us and then it's off to see his sister in London.

Red Boxes

It is that time of year again when the red donation boxes for the Mill Hill Missionaries are due to be collected. This will happen over the next few weeks.

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**ST. JOSEPH'S
MISSIONARY
SOCIETY**

*"To love and
to serve"*



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: Michael Kay (LD), Jane Mazzafore (LD).

Anniversary: Peter Richard Kerrane, Winnie Foster, Eileen Mears, Robert Large, Mary Ellen Taylor.

Special Intentions: St. Joseph's Help

Old Buildings

The main circuit inspection of St Josephs has been carried out. Next it will be St Edwards turn for the inspection.

The damp in the repository shop at St Josephs is to be monitored over this hot summer to see if we need to invest in a major repair job.

Joan Kershaw Bequest

Joan moved into the parish in 1968 and left in recent years to be with her daughter. She served here as the secretary of the SVP and was a Eucharistic Minister and obviously loved the community. Joan died recently and her daughter was not surprised by her mother's wish to send a little gift to her church here in Darwen.

May she celebrate in heaven the love she shared upon this earth.



Ministers Meeting

Last week a meeting of the Church ministers of the many different denominations throughout Darwen was held.

This was a great success, with plans laid down for after the Summer holidays.



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Mass of Healing

We celebrated a Mass for Healing in St Edwards Hall this weekend. This included members of our congregation who are housebound as well as for others.

A great deal of work was put into this event by the members of the SVP, who are wonderful! The housebound remain a great part of our community and it is always good to share occasions with friends.

Thanks to all those who helped to make the day a success.

School Holidays

The local school holiday for **St Edwards** Closes on **Tuesday 23rd July 2024** (at 1.30pm) and reopens for the new 2024/25 term on **Tuesday 3rd September 2024**.

On **Monday 2nd September** the school will be closed for an inset day.

School holiday for **St Josephs**

Closes: **Thursday 18th July 2024** (at 1.30pm) and reopens for the new 2024/25 term on **Tuesday 3rd September 2024**.

Friday 19th July 2024 and **Monday 2nd September 2024** the school will be closed for an inset day.

The Even Bigger Match

Prayers are asked from people who don't believe in God. Prayers are asked by those who are not sure. Prayers are being said by many who have rarely addressed the Almighty. This is happening both here and in Spain. However, may all battles be on sports fields and not within the context of war.

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 13th and 14th July 2024

Readers Sat: 6.15 pm: L. Atherton

Sun 9 am: B. Hughes 11 am: P. Simms

Eucharistic Ministers: Sat 6.15 pm J. Sweeney

Sun 9 am: S. Aldcroft 11 am: P. Corran

Rotas next Weekend 20th and 21st July 2024

Readers Sat: 6.15 pm: D. Witherington

Sun 9 am: S. McMillan 11am: A. Frangleton

Eucharistic Ministers: Sat 6.15 pm: C. Garrity

Sun 9 am: S. McMillan 11 am: B. Suddick