



# The Catholic Parish of The Sacred Heart, Darwen

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**Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**4<sup>th</sup> August 2024**

*St Joseph's St Edward's*

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>6.15 p.m.</b>		<b>Vigil Mass</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9.00 a.m.</b>	<b>11.00 a.m.</b>	<b>Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
Monday	9.15 a.m.	.	Mass
Tuesday		10.00 a.m.	Mass followed by Tea, Coffee and the planning meeting for the open air swimming pool in the car park for the practice of sun worship.
Wednesday	9.15 a.m.		Mass
Thursday		9.15 a.m.	Eucharistic Service
Friday	9.15 a.m.		Mass
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>6.15 p.m.</b>	<b>9.15 a.m.</b>	<b>Mass Vigil Mass</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9.00 a.m.</b>	<b>11.00 a.m.</b>	<b>Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>

### Southport tragedy

All masses this weekend will be celebrated for the victims of this disaster. The small children killed, those in hospital, and the families that must face the challenges of each day after these life changing experiences.

### Stamp Appeal

We have received a letter from the Bone Cancer Research Trust stamp appeal thanking us for our contribution of used stamps which helped towards them raising £12,903 last year.

They ask for our continued support of old, used, new and foreign stamps and banknotes. So please keep leaving them in the box at the back of church.

### Farewell to Father Geo

Before he left to explore London, Fr Geo asked that I express his thanks for the welcome and hospitality he received here in Darwen. He will not forget the beauty, the weather, and the kindness so evident in this parish.

### A Christian Community

This is where the elderly are the memory of Gods people, and the children are the future. The elderly may sometimes keep talking about the same things, War, the bad Times but we need to show tenderness. Dialogue is fundamental to the future of your children through education.

Make them understand that they can talk about everything. Life's lessons are learnt at home, not from others who may distort the truth.



**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:** Vera Clarendon (LD), Diane Chippendale (LD), Alan Slack (LD).  
Mark Holden (LD),

**Anniversary:** Barbara Swarbrick, Winnie Foster, Ubert Challon, Elizabeth Burke with Love,

**Special Intentions:** For the Hackett Family, For a special intention.

## 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. If your box has not been collected, please let Maggie Alvarez know who will make the arrangements for collection.

MILL HILL MISSIONARIES



ST. JOSEPHS  
MISSIONARY  
SOCIETY

"To love and  
to serve"

## How in Times Past

How in times past  
I wasted energy  
On useless anxiety  
And now approaching  
Sixty SIX  
Would cash in that  
Strength  
To celebrate  
The gifts  
Of what matters.

## Accessibility and your parish

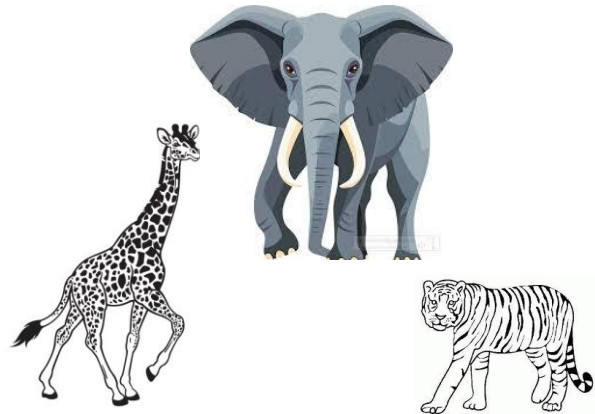
CARITAS Salford, our diocesan charity, supports people within the diocese, to develop their understanding of accessibility, disability and inclusion of people with access needs. Being accessible is important to maximise positive experiences and so everyone has opportunities to participate in ways that suit them. CARITAS is looking for people from our parish to help advocate for positive accessibility with a view to encouraging positive solutions. Often a small change can make a difference to a person.

Can YOU help make the change possible? If you are interested, please email [accessibility@caritassalford.org.uk](mailto:accessibility@caritassalford.org.uk) or visit [www.caritassalford.org.uk/volunteer](http://www.caritassalford.org.uk/volunteer)

## Chester Zoo Trip

The Zoo trip is on the 20<sup>th</sup> August and involves a bus of 59 people. Pray that it rains in the morning to put others off and gives the animals the correct temperature to come out.

Due to popular demand all places have already been snapped up. This trip has nothing to do with how much Fr Brian loves the Zoo.



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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.**

**A/C: TSDT Sacred Heart**

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## Rotas this Weekend 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> August 2024

**Readers Sat:** 6.15 pm: A. Morgan

**Sun 9 am:** F. Davis 11am: J. Walsh

**Eucharistic Ministers Sat:** 6.15 pm: D. Witherington

**Sun 9 am:** F. Davis 11 am: T. Kennedy

## Rotas next Weekend 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> August 2024

**Readers Sat:** 6.15 pm: C. Garitty

**Sun 9 am:** M. Davies 11 am: C. Avino

**Eucharistic Ministers Sat:** 6.15 pm P. Wardle

**Sun 9 am:** M. Alvarez 11 am: J. Ainsworth