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Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

18th August 2024

St Joseph's St Edward's

Saturday	6.15 p.m.		Vigil Mass
Sunday	9.00 a.m.	11.00 a.m.	Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday	9.15 a.m.	.	Mass
Tuesday		10.00 a.m.	Eucharistic Service followed by Tea, Coffee and Cake and prayers for the England Cricket team that Fr Brian is going to watch in brilliant Sunshine at Old Trafford
Wednesday			No Mass
Thursday			No 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.	Twenty first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Statement from Ministers and Imams of Darwen

WE as people of faith pray that our different traditions and practices be mutually respected. We ask that our places of worship be seen as locations of dignity and are understood as sources of value and blessing for all.

Fr Brian's Walk

The training continues, and
the Road goes ever on and on
Down from the door where it began.
Now far ahead the Road has gone,
And I must follow, if I can,
Pray that he can after baptisms September 9th



A Notice from the Friends of Darwen Cemetery

During the months of August, September and October 2024, we will be re-visiting three walks that we have previously held in Cemetery. These walks were very popular when we originally hosted them several years ago.

Our first walk in August is entitled: Some Darwen Women, On **Sunday 18th August 2024** we will be meeting at 2.00 pm at the WW1 Memorial Wall within the Western Cemetery Bolton Rd Darwen. The walk will concentrate on some of the Women from Darwen who are buried in the Cemetery, including in the walk will be the true story of the White Lady.

Why not join us?



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: Alan Slack (LD), Patrick Joseph Cooney (LD), Julian Rishton (LD)

Anniversary: Kenneth Knowles, Esther McIntyre, Michael John Kerrane, Catherine Louise Haworth, Alice Sandbach, Russell Cowell, Anne Halsall, Robert Oldfield, John Joseph Walsh, Margaret Leatham.

Special Intentions: For all those injured or killed in the Southport attack, especially for those little girls.

Pilgrimage to Hallowed Grounds

Fr Brian is making a pilgrimage to Old Trafford on Wednesday and Thursday to witness Sri Lanka take on the might of the English cricket team.

This may prove almost as exciting as the amateur Cricket Cup final held in Burnley last weekend when Lowerhouse won the coveted Worsley Cup.

Things could get even better as Darwen Cricket Club are in a good place to take the league champion title. Fingers crossed.

Welcome Bonny Bird by Samuel Laycock

Tha'rt welcome, little bonny brid,
But shouldn't ha' come just when tha did;
Toimes are bad.

We're short o' pobbies for eawr Joe
But that, of course, tha didn't know,
Did tha lad?

Aw've often yeard mi feyther tell
'Ast when aw coom i' th' world misel'
Trade wur slack;
And neaw it's hard wark pooin' throo-
But aw munno fear thee,-iv aw do
Thall go back

Cheer up! these toimes 'll awter soon;
Aw'm beawn to beigh another spoon-
One for thee;-
An' as tha's sich a pratty face
Aw'll let thi have eawr Charley's place
On mi knee.

To be continued

Zoo Trip

This Tuesday 20th August is the trip to Chester Zoo with families from the parish. Say your prayers that it will be a fine day and that the zoo is not too full. Also, that the animals come out to play and that lifelong memories are formed.

Hearts in Search of God

The aim of this three-year project is to promote walking pilgrimages in England & Wales by developing Pilgrim Ways between the cathedral of each Catholic diocese and one or more shrines within that same diocese.

The Ways are an opportunity for Catholics and other Christians to deepen their faith, and for people of all faiths and none to share in the experience of walking a pilgrimage in a Catholic context. The hope is that walking a pilgrimage will contribute to the common good of our nations through encouraging encounters with others, hospitality, and respect for the environment.

St Theodore's Way is a Pilgrim Way for the Diocese of Salford from the Cathedral of St John the Evangelist in Salford to the Christian Heritage Centre, Theodore House, Stonyhurst College.

The Way follows the River Irwell north out of Salford, the route then follows the Salford Trail, the Irwell Sculpture Trail and the towpath of the Manchester, Bolton & Bury Canal to reach Bolton. The route continues north passing to Dimple, then follows the Witton Weavers Way across moorland. The Way descends to the Parish of the Sacred Heart in Darwen and then continues north passing near the Church of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour. The Way traverses Blackburn then crosses farmland to the former Cistercian Abbey at Whalley. Finally, the Way crosses field paths to reach Theodore House at Stonyhurst College.

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 17th and 18th August 2024

Readers Sat: 6.15 pm: L. Atherton

Sun 9 am: J. Walsh 11am: J. Ainsworth

Eucharistic Ministers Sat: 6.15 pm: P. Ainscough

Sun 9 am: M.R. Gordon 11 am: B. Beardsworth

Rotas next Weekend 24th and 25th August 2024

Readers Sat: 6.15 pm: D. Witherington

Sun 9 am: L. Loxham 11 am: A. Atkinson

Eucharistic Ministers Sat: 6.15 pm J. Sweeney

Sun 9 am: G. Brindle 11 am: C. Avino