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"Anyone who welcomes little children in my name welcomes me."

Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

22nd September 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.	Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday	9.15 a.m.	.	Mass
Tuesday		10.00 a.m.	Mass followed by Tea, Coffee and Cake and a party conference in the Parish Hall.
Wednesday	9.15 a.m.		Mass
Thursday		9.15 a.m.	Eucharistic Service
Friday	9.15 a.m.		Eucharistic Service
Saturday	6.15 p.m.		No Mass Vigil Mass with Fr. Michael
Sunday	9.00 a.m.	11.00 a.m.	Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Coach Trip for the Parish

So we are off to Harewood House in West Yorkshire on **Tuesday 1st October**. We will be departing from both churches and stopping first at the market town of Otley in West Yorkshire. There will be time for a coffee and the opportunity to stroll around the market to buy some banana and garlic chutney.

Then we travel on to Harewood House for the chance to look around the house and gardens. The house was designed by architects John Carr and Robert Adam, and built, between 1759 and 1771, The landscape gardens were designed by Lancelot "Capability" Brown and spans over 1,000 acres.

The cost per person will be £15.00. 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 "Harewood Trip" to Fr Brian.

Relief Priest

Thank you to Fr Michael who celebrated Masses last Saturday and Sunday.

On Thursday and Friday next week Fr Brian will be off to Glasgow to solemnize a wedding.

Fr Michael shall return on Saturday evening to take mass as Fr Brian returns on the train.

October Rosary

October is the month of the Rosary which is the best known of all Catholic devotions. The Rosary will help us to meditate through prayer and by the use of our Rosary Beads help us to recall events in the lives of Jesus Christ and his mother Mary.



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: Joanne Shepherd (LD), Eileen Entwistle (LD), Irene Grisdale (LD).

Anniversary: Margarete Barker, Jim Hackett, Barry Mellor.

Special Intentions: Margaret and Alec Gordon 55th Emerald Wedding Anniversary, Thanksgiving for over 60 years of marriage Jim and Vivien Hackett. For Brenda and Eileen.

Play Group

The Play group will be meeting again on **Wednesday 24th September** between 9.00 am and 10.30 am. This is the opportunity for parents and young children to get together to have fun and a good chat. For a donation of £2.00 all are welcome to this enjoyable event.

Fr Brian's Walk

This was a wonderful adventure involving sunshine and rain. A wonderful country the other side of a television screen where the sensations of beauty were lived and not simply observed.

The first Sunday saw him over by Worsthorne struggling to read the map as the rain was so intense, he couldn't see through his glasses.

By contrast the following Sunday was spent on the Howgill Fells walking above the cloud level with spectacular views of the peaks of the Lakeland Fell spread out before him. He was in paradise even though he wasn't in heaven.



Monday Ministers meeting

On Monday in the house at St Joseph's local church Ministers from Darwen will be meeting to see about planning, or just working together.



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Accessibility in the Church

Please pass on thanks to everyone who came to the talk about accessibility last Tuesday. People are now more aware of issues that individuals may face. Let us all make our churches even more welcoming to everyone. Thanks again and God Bless.

This may prevent a blind person, a deaf person, someone with mobility issues, a learning disability or someone with neurodiversity from experiencing the full joy of our church.

Macmillan Charity

There is to be a coffee morning at St Edwards School from 9.00 am on **Friday 27th September**.

All are welcome to join together with the school to raise funds for this essential charity. Cancer can affect our lives in so many ways and the Macmillan Cancer Support do whatever it takes to support individual's needs. This may be giving advice on paying bills, benefits or treatments or just being there when people need to chat.



Words of Wisdom

Small Tasks

I long to accomplish a great and noble task, but it is my chief task to accomplish small tasks as if they were great and noble.

Helen Keller (1880- 1968)

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 21st & 22nd September 2024

Readers Sat: 6.15 pm: L. Atherton

Sun 9 am: G. Brindle 11 am: P. Simms

Eucharistic Ministers Sat: 6.15 pm P. Wardle

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

Rotas next Weekend 28th & 29th September 2024

Readers Sat: 6.15 pm: D. Witherington

Sun 9 am: F. Davis 11am: A. Frangleton

Eucharistic Ministers Sat: 6.15 pm: P. Ainscough

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