

The Catholic Parish of The Sacred Heart, Darwen



“Yes I am a King”

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Christ the King		24th November 2024	
St Joseph		St Edward's	
Saturday	6.15 p.m.	9.15 a.m.	Mass Vigil Mass
Sunday	9.00 a.m.	11.00 a.m.	Christ the King
Monday	9.15 a.m.		Mass
Tuesday		10.00 a.m.	Mass followed by tea, coffee cake and a reorganisation of the Northern Rail franchise.
Wednesday	9.15 a.m.		Mass
Thursday		9.15 a.m.	Eucharistic Service
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.	Mass First Sunday of Advent

CHRISTMAS FAYRE
SUNDAY 1ST DECEMBER 12.30 PM
AT ST EDWARDS CHURCH HALL DARWEN

Upcoming Ecumenical Events

The next event will be in the Town Centre on **Saturday 14th December** at 11.00 a.m. for a Joint Churches Christmas Carol Service.

Please support this joint church event.

November Holy Souls

Although we are well into the month of November this is still the month dedicated to the Holy Souls. If there is anyone you wish to remember and pray for you will find some envelopes, pens and small squares of paper at the back of church. Use the paper to name those you love and put this in the envelope and then place in the box before the altar. You can prepare an envelope at home if you wish.

Please **do not** put any money in with the petitions. All will be destroyed at the end of the month.

Chaplains of Catholic Schools

There will be a meeting at St Edwards School on **Tuesday 26th November**. This event will be supported by students from St Bede's.

May God bless this work.

Reverse Advent Calendar

The Knights of St Columba are asking us to fill a box this Advent with basic needs of in-date food either tinned, bottled or packet. Toiletries like soap, shampoo, toothpaste etc. Laundry Items like washing powder/detergent. When full, take these along to church for handover to the Foodbank on **Friday 20th December**.

Safeguarding

Many thanks go to the volunteers who take on the job of administering the processes of safeguard checking. It is much the same as any administration process but needed in this present world.



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 Smith (LD).

Anniversary: Ellen Shuttleworth, Declan Troy, John Morrin, Eileen Roberts, Andrew Helme, Blanche Elizabeth Grime, Joan Wright, Gary Francis, Mary Ryder, Esther McIntyre, Charles McIntyre, John Howard, Peter Summerfield.

Special Intentions: Eileen and Brenda, For a sick friend Kathleen Hall.

Christmas Fayre

Our Christmas Fayre will be held on **Sunday 1st December** after Mass 12.30 until 3.00 pm at St Edward's Church Hall.

Father Christmas has already been booked, but we still need help. We require items for the Tombola Stall, Chocolates for the Chocolate Tombola Stall, bottles both large and small, good as new items, jigsaws and toys. We also need cakes for the Cake Stall. Also, a big appeal for any items that would prove enjoyable. Any unsold items will be passed on to a charity shop. There will be the Repository Stall to pick up those last-minute Christmas cards, candles, glass angels and holy cribs.

Don't forget there will be refreshments available and good fun.

The Hall will be open on Saturday from 2.30 pm

Red Box Collection

Now is that time of year when your Red Collection Box needs to be emptied. Please bring them into Church and receive a New Year Calendar.

SVP Collection

Many thanks for the generosity shown to the Saint Vincent de Paul Society who raised £370.18 from last Sunday's collection. This demonstrates the appreciation for all the good work undertaken by this group.

Play Group

The Play Group at St Edwards will be on **Wednesday 27th November** between 9.30 am and 11.00 am. For a donation of £2.00 this is a great opportunity for parents and young children to get together to have fun and a good chat. All are welcome to this enjoyable event.

Becoming Catholic

If you are interested in becoming a full member of the Roman Catholic faith, or just want to explore the teaching of the Church?

There will be classes on the next 4 Tuesdays leading up to Christmas Day.

That is **November 26th December 3rd, and December 10th, 17th**, at **7.00 pm**.

All are welcome to attend.

Surprised By Joy

Surprised by joy-impatient as the Wind
I turned to share the transport-Oh! with whom
But Thee, deep buried in the silent tomb,
That spot which no vicissitude can find?

Love, faithful love, recalled thee to my mind-
But how could I forget thee?

Through what power,
Even for the least division of an hour,
Have I been so beguiled as to be blind
To my most grievous loss! -That thought's return
Was the worst pang that sorrow ever bore,
Save one, one only, when I stood forlorn,
Knowing my heart's best treasure was no more;

That neither present time, nor years unborn
Could to my sight that heavenly face restore.

William Wordsworth

It is worthy of note that you contribute towards our beautiful churches that are used by so many.

Thank you for your support.

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Rotas this Weekend 23rd & 24th Nov 2024

Readers Sat: 6.15 pm: A. Morgan

Sun 9 am: F. Davis 11am: J. Fitzgerald

Eucharistic Ministers Sat: 6.15 pm: D. Witherington

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

Rotas next Weekend 30th Nov and 1st Dec 2024

Readers Sat: 6.15 pm: L. Atherton

Sun 9 am: M. Davies 11 am: P. Simms

Eucharistic Ministers Sat: 6.15 pm D. Witherington

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