

# The Catholic Parish of The Sacred Heart, Darwen



"Today this scripture has been fulfilled"

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Third Sunday in Ordinary Time		26 <sup>th</sup> January 2025	
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.	Mass Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday		1.45 p.m.	Requiem Mass Andrea Mizon (LD)
Tuesday		10.00 a.m.	Mass followed by tea, coffee, cake and a discussion on making Darwen great again. Such as the times of Victorian Industrial might, and Empire, with child labour, black smog and rickets.
Wednesday	9.15 a.m.		Mass
Thursday		11.00 a.m.	Requiem Mass Sandra Reddy (LD)
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 The Presentation of the Lord

### Sacramental Programme

The Sunday Masses welcome the children of our Sacramental programme. Please pray for these young Apostles of Christ that they may live with the peace of faith.

### Holocaust Memorial Day

This **Monday the 27th January** is the 80th anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau labour and death camps. The memory that this is possible, that it happened, is essential to all of us. Thus, we remain vigilant to the possibilities of repetition.

### Food Larder

Last Thursday there was a meeting of the volunteers from the different faith communities across Darwen involved in the food larder. The difficult work continues. Contributions are always accepted, please leave at the back of Church.

### Spring Trip

The coach has now been booked for **Wednesday 2nd of April**. We shall first make our way to the market town of Kendal, where there will be time to wander around the town centre, with its shops, museums and galleries. Kendal's Market Charter dates back to 1189 and markets are a major part of the town's heritage. The outdoor market is held every Wednesday and Saturday on the historic Market Place.

It's then back on the coach for the onward journey to Ulverston where you are free to enter the Laurel and Hardy Museum (entry of £7.50 not included in cost) or again take in the town and have a relaxing day out. The cost for the trip is **only £15.00**. So, put the date in your diary and book a place by entering your name on the list at the back of each church.

It will be a fun day out.



**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:** Shona Davis (LD), Winnie Cooper (LD), Andrea Mizon (LD). Joe Cooper (LD), Sandra Reddy (LD), Ethel Rollows (LD), Richard Grzybowski (LD).

**Anniversary:** Winifred Boland, Annie Conlon, Mary Knowles, James Culshaw, Peter Thomas Walsh.

**Special Intentions:** For a sick friend,

**Mass Intentions:** Tiana Thompson, Hazel Ainscough, Mary Maughan, Josef Bauer, Eileen and Brenda, For a Mass Intention.

## New Years Resolution

Dry January now over we move into Exercise Spring, possibly Indulgence Summer, or even sooner Mad March.

Well done!

Ash Wednesday is on the 5th of March.

## First They Came for the Jews

First they came for the Jews  
and I did not speak out -  
Because I was not a Jew.  
Then they came for the communists  
and I did not speak out -  
Because I am not a communist.  
Then they came for the trade unionist  
And I did not speak out -  
Because I was not a trade unionist.  
Then they came for me -  
And there was no one left  
To speak out for me.

### Paster Niemöller

14<sup>th</sup> January 1892 – 6<sup>th</sup> March 1984

## Irish Night

The Knights of St Columba are organising an Irish Night to be held at St Josephs Hall on the **Saturday March 15<sup>th</sup>**. All are invited to come along and have a great evening of fun and entertainment.

Supper and bar available.

The ticket price is £8 Adults and £4 for Children under 12.

The Knights will be selling raffle tickets for their Charities at £1 a ticket. The raffle is to be drawn on **Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> April**.

Please support us to help support the parish.



## Funerals

There have been six funerals in the last three weeks, and there are two next week. Thanks therefore go to the parishioners who make it their business to help in the Church on these solemn occasions.

The Church is always clean, the people are made to feel welcome, and strangers are put at their ease at this sombre time.

**Thank You for your support throughout the year**

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**Rotas next Weekend 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> January 2025**

**Readers Sat:** 6.15 pm: P. Craven

**Sun 9 am:** L. Loxham 11 am: J. Walsh

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

**Sun 9 am:** S. McMillan 11 am: T. Kennedy

**Rotas next weekend 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2025**

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

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

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

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