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"The harvest is plentiful, but the
labourers are few"

The Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

14th June 2026

St Edward's

St Joseph's

Saturday	6.15 p.m.	9.15 p.m.	Mass Vigil Mass
Sunday	9.00 a.m.	11.00 a.m.	The Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A
Monday	9.15 a.m.		Mass
Tuesday		10.00 a.m.	Mass followed by tea coffee cake and a discussion on the World Cup progress so far,
Wednesday	9.15 a.m.		Mass
Thursday		9.15 a.m.	Mass
Friday	9.15 a.m.		Eucharistic Service
Saturday	6.15 p.m.	9.15 a.m.	Mass Vigil Mass
Sunday	9.00 a.m.	11.00 a.m.	The Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

First communion

Many thanks to all who contributed to the First communion service at St Edward's last week. A special thanks go to the staff at school. The children were wonderful, and made their families proud

The next first communion service is on **Sunday 28th June** at 1.00am at St Joseph's Church. Father's Day falls between the two events. Please continue to pray for the whole community.

Confirmation

Bishop John Arnold will be visiting the parish to celebrate a confirmation service at St Joseph's on **Wednesday 24th of June**. We welcome him to this wonderful part of his Diocese. Classes have been taking place at St Bede's for this year's confirmations. Please pray for all concerned.

Lowerhouse and Darwen Cricket

Pray for good weather so that the visitors from Burnley have a good reception !

Weekday Mass

Fr Brian appeals for support at weekday mass. This is a wonderful community and in order to keep it vibrant there needs to be a presence each day.

Those who come to weekday mass provide a service for all the faithful. Could you make a commitment to come mid-week at least once.

Summer Coach Trip

The coach trip to Bowness in the Lake District on **Thursday 2nd July is now full**.

If you still need to pay for the trip then place the full money in an envelope marked with your name and "Lake Trip" into the offertory basket or hand to Fr. Brian.

Following our visit to Bowness-on Windermere we will continue onto the market town of Kendal before our journey home.

Father' Day Intentions

Father's Day is next **Sunday 21st June**. Any Mass Intention for your father write their name on an envelope and place in the offertory basket.



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:

Anniversary: Gordon Waddicor, Biancospino Olimpia De Falco Raffaele, Michael Reddy, Helen Cowell, Norman Chadwick, Elizabeth Burke,

Father's Day Intentions: Christopher Burke

Special Intention: A special Intention

Summer Chester Zoo Trip

This trip is now FULL. You can of course approach Fr Brian about any cancellations. However, should there now be a massive demand we may add another coach.

This heavily sponsored family trip to the zoo is on **Tuesday 18th August.** The price is £5.00 for a child (15 years or below) and £7.00 for an adult.



Red Box Collection

We are again at the time when the Mill Hill Missionaries Red Boxes are due for collection. Maggie or Sarah will be distributing the booklets. If your box needs emptying, please leave it at the back of church. It will be returned to you.

SVP Mass of Healing

This will take place in St Edwards's Hall on **Saturday the 18th of July.** All are welcome. There are refreshments after mass, so please come and enjoy. Names will be required for the numbers attending.

Friends of the Holy Land Charity

We have received a letter from this charity asking us to pass on this message.

"Friends of the Holy Land would like to thank all parishioners for the £2000 raised for Christians in the Holy Land, at a time when they are most vulnerable. Please continue to remember our work in your prayers, giving our brothers and sisters strength to continue"

Maintenance Work Undertaken

This week the fire precautions systems at St Edward's Hall have been checked and approved.

Donation

We have received a very generous donation for Parish work in honour of Frank and Lucy Overton and family. Many thanks and it will be used to produce blessings.

Alcoholics Anonymous Meetings

This group meets in St Joseph's Hall each Friday with a 7.00pm start. The group is extremely welcoming and have an Open Meeting on the first Friday every month for family, friends or professionals.

All other Friday meetings are closed meetings for those with a drinking problem who want to stop. Contact 07963795427 or 07990598651.

Drug Addicts Anonymous

This group meets in St Edward's Parish Hall on a Thursday evening and are most welcoming. Let us pray that groups such as this support each other. May they also spread the word about the ways out of dependency.

New meeting arranged

There is to be a new meeting of Alcoholics Anonymous to be held in St Edward's Parish Hall at 6.30 until 9.00 pm This will be on Wednesday nights in the lounge. Please pray for this group and the work it does.

Thought for the Week

Giving is sowing and God promises a harvest.



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Rotas this weekend 13th and 14th June 2026

Readers Sat 6.15pm: P. Craven

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

Eucharistic Ministers Sat: 6.15pm: D. Witherington

Sun 9 am S. Aldcroft **11am:** J. Ainsworth

Rotas next weekend 20th and 21st June 2026

Readers Sat: 6.15 pm: A. Morgan

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

Eucharistic Ministers Sat: 6.15 P. Wardle

Sun 9 am: M. Worden **11 am:** M. Bauer