



ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PARISH, DARWEN

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Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time

24th August 2008

This week in St. Joseph's Parish

Sunday	9.00 a.m.	Sunday mass – Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time
	1.00 p.m.	Wedding service for Marcella Debiase and Geoffrey Bird
Monday	9.15 a.m.	Morning prayer from the Divine Office
	7.00 p.m.	Mass – St. Louis. Born 1214, became King Louis IX of France in 1236.
Tuesday	9.00 a.m.	Mass – Blessed Dominic of the Mother of God Barberi, priest
Wednesday	9.00 a.m.	Mass – St. Monica. Born in North Africa, mother of St. Augustine.
	7.00 p.m.	Bible study group
Thursday	8.00 a.m.	Day of prayer for vocations until 8 p.m.
	9.00 a.m.	Mass – St. Augustine, bishop and doctor. Born in 354, died in 430.
Friday	9.00 a.m.	Mass – The Beheading of St. John the Baptist, martyr
Saturday	10.00 a.m.	Mass – Ss. Margaret Clitherow, Anne Line and Margaret Ward, martyrs (followed by confessions)
	6.15 p.m.	Vigil mass for Sunday
Sunday	9.00 a.m.	Sunday mass – Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Please remember that the church is open for private prayer each weekday morning from 9 a.m. until midday. Volunteers to help maintain this service are always welcome.

Day of prayer for vocations

This Thursday, 28th August

The church will be open from 8 a.m. until about 8 p.m. In addition to mass, benediction and the divine office, there will be a continuous reading from the New Testament to include the Acts of the Apostles and the epistles. Please support this effort with a few minutes of your time. If you are willing to read, please add your name to the list at the back of church.

Salford diocesan pilgrimage to Ladyewell shrine

Saturday, 6th September, leaving St. Joseph's at 10.40 a.m. and St. Edward's at 10.50 a.m.

The Knights of St. Columba are organizing a coach from Darwen to join the diocesan pilgrimage. The day includes mass at 11.30 a.m. followed by a picnic lunch, rosary, benediction, reliquary and repository. The coach will leave to return to Darwen at 4 p.m. The return cost is £4 if you have a bus pass.

If you would like to go, please add your name and telephone number to the list at the back of church.

Mass intentions received

Anniversaries: Robert Makin (25th August), Herbert Sandbach (25th August), David Joshua Baron (16th August), Emily O'Neil (23rd August), Irene Walker (26th August)

Birthday memorial: Patrick Joseph Gaffney (16th August)

Other intentions: Terry Harwood, Our Lady of good remedy, Gail Heys – 2 masses, thanksgiving for blessings received, the Yates family – 5 masses, Brenda, Hilda and Clive – 2 masses, Bill and Graham – 2 masses, Auntie Margaret, the holy family, St. Anthony and St. Jude

An evening of musical entertainment with Darwen Brass

Next Saturday, 30th August, at 7.45 p.m.

Tickets cost £6 and are available from church, on the door or by phoning 07950 401772. If you can help promote the event, please take and display posters from the porch, and take tickets to sell (available in the repository shop or sacristy). Thank you.

Parish meeting

Tuesday, 2nd September, in the parish meeting room

Everyone is welcome to come along and help to plan the Christmas Fair and other events.

Repair fund for Father Desiderius Vandenwaghe's grave

Please remember that donations can be made by dropping loose money into the 200 club box.

Gift Aid scheme – we need YOU to sign up!

Although we have received over £4,000 in reclaimed tax this year, tax changes mean that we will lose £800 of this essential income in future years unless more parishioners sign up to the scheme. The only requirement is that you are a taxpayer. You just need to sign the simple form and then use a collection envelope for your donation each week. You don't have to donate any more money or even a fixed amount each week. At the end of the tax year we then claim back from the Inland Revenue some of the money you have already paid in taxes. You don't pay any extra or complete any more forms. It really is as simple as that.

Gift Aid forms are available at the back of church. If you would like more information on the scheme, please contact Terry O'Neil (text 07762 671533 or email giftaid@stjosephsdarwen.org.uk) or visit the parish website.

Last week's collections

Offertory collection	£572.23
Feast of the Assumption	£134.75

Thank you

200 Club winners

1 st prize	£40	165	John Waddington
2 nd prize	£10	172	Doreen Jarrett
3 rd prize	£5	11	B. Armitage

Ministries

	This week		Next week	
	<i>Saturday</i>	<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>	<i>Sunday</i>
<i>Reader</i>	B. Hughes	P. Cooney D. McElroy	W. Godwin	A. Thompson D. Jarrett
<i>Eucharistic Ministers</i>	P. Ainscough K. Hine P. Wardle M. Saynor T. Mclver	D. Beaton G. Brindle D. Jarrett M. Alvarez J. Briggs	R. Knowles A. Barker A. Gibbs P. Ainscough K. Hine	R. Massey D. Forbes A. Gordon D. Beaton G. Brindle