



# ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PARISH, DARWEN

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Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8<sup>th</sup> June 2008

## This week in St. Joseph's Parish

Sunday	9.00 a.m.	Sunday mass – Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday	9.15 a.m.	<b>Morning prayer from the Divine Office</b>
	7.00 p.m.	<b>Mass – St. Ephrem of Syria, deacon and doctor</b>
Tuesday	9.00 a.m.	Mass
Wednesday	9.00 a.m.	Mass – St. Barnabas, apostle. Companion of St. Paul in his journeys.
	7.00 p.m.	Bible study group
Thursday	9.00 a.m.	Mass
Friday	9.00 a.m.	Mass – St. Anthony of Padua, priest. Great preacher and theologian.
Saturday	10.00 a.m.	<b>Mass, followed by confessions</b>
	6.15 p.m.	Vigil mass for Sunday
Sunday	9.00 a.m.	Sunday mass – Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Changes to services

Note the changed mass times and Monday's morning prayer, which will be a regular service.

## Gift Aid – the good news and the not-so-good news

The diocesan office has prepared a claim to Inland Revenue for tax paid by those parishioners who have signed Gift Aid declaration forms. Individual statements have been produced and this is the last opportunity for donors to check that they have paid (or will pay) income tax or capital gains tax at least equal to the tax that the diocese has reclaimed on their donations in the tax year 2007/2008. Will donors please collect their statements from Terry O'Neil, the parish organiser, at the back of church and notify him of any change in personal details, such as name or address.

As you are probably aware the tax we can recover on gift aid donations adds a further 28% to the amount in the weekly envelopes or standing orders. The good news is that the total reclaimed this year will bring in approximately £3,900, which is slightly up on last year's total. However, the not-so-good news is that from 6<sup>th</sup> April 2008 tax changes will reduce this to 22% for the next 3 years, after which it will reduce further to 20%. This change will result in a loss of £700 to the parish income if the number of donors and level of donations remain the same. This is money the parish can ill afford to lose. **If you pay tax on earnings or investments and you have not already signed a Gift Aid declaration form, please consider signing one.** We don't need your personal financial details and **it doesn't cost you a penny more** in donations or tax.

Further information about the gift aid scheme can be obtained from Terry. He can be contacted by email at [giftaid@stjosephsdarwen.org.uk](mailto:giftaid@stjosephsdarwen.org.uk) or via the parish website, where there are more details on the scheme as well as other relevant information.

## Mass intentions received

**Lately Dead:** Brian Little, Jean Bolan

**Anniversaries:** Sabina Shannon (4<sup>th</sup> June), Eileen Glynn Cunningham (8<sup>th</sup> June)

**Other intentions:** the holy family, St. Anthony and St. Jude, Our Lady of perpetual succour, Our Lady of good remedy, for good results, Gail Heys – 2 masses, Winifred Byrne – 2 masses, Thomasine Anderson – 2 masses, Cheryl and Antonio Panico – 2 masses, the Aldcroft family, the Lawson family, the Yates family, those who have died recently, sick friends and relatives, William Fay, Brenda, Hilda and Clive

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## Thanks to the Scouts

The parish would like to thank St. Joseph's Scout Group for a cheque for £700, which was raised by the St. George's Day raffle and fun day. Well done.

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## Study nights

**19<sup>th</sup> June (The Proclaimed Word of God) and 26<sup>th</sup> June (The Sacrament of Communion)**

These two study nights will take place in the parish hall, starting at 7 p.m. They are open to everyone but it is especially important that current readers or those interested in becoming readers attend on 19<sup>th</sup> June. Similarly for Eucharistic ministers on 26<sup>th</sup> June.

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## Family social evening organized by the Knights of St. Columba

**Friday, 27<sup>th</sup> June at 7.30 p.m. in the parish hall. Tickets £3 (children £2) – £3.50 on the door**

Learn to salsa, join in line dancing and "mixed" dancing, with a disco by Andrew Graham. Tea, coffee and light refreshments will be available; please bring your own other drinks.

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## ... and don't forget...

**Cake stall after next Saturday's evening mass** – buy delicious, home made produce.

**Parish meeting on Tuesday, 17<sup>th</sup> June, at 7 p.m.** – in the parish meeting room. All welcome.

**Walking treasure hunt, 22<sup>nd</sup> June (leaving 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.)** – entry is £3 for teams of 2-3.

**Craiglands parish meal (Sunday, 29<sup>th</sup> June)** – contact Alec or Margaret on 772365.

**St. Joseph's School Summer Fair (Sunday, 6<sup>th</sup> July)** – please see the posters for more details.

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## Last week's collections

Offertory collection                      £727.40

Thank you

## 200 Club winners

1 <sup>st</sup> prize	£40	62	Simone Lingard
2 <sup>nd</sup> prize	£10	74	Joan Kershaw
3 <sup>rd</sup> prize	£5	126	Jacqueline Jolley

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## Ministries

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

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New lists will be produced at the end of June, following the study nights.