



# ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PARISH, DARWEN

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Fifth Sunday of Lent

9<sup>th</sup> March 2008

## This week in St. Joseph's Parish

Sunday	9.00 a.m.	Sunday mass – Fifth Sunday of Lent Mass will be followed by an information film in the parish hall
	4.00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross and Benediction
Monday	9.15 a.m.	<b>Morning prayer from the Divine Office</b>
	10.30 a.m.	Funeral service for Edna Jurkowski, R.I.P.
	7.00 p.m.	<b>Mass</b>
	7.30 p.m.	"Believe" Catholic faith information film
Tuesday	9.00 a.m.	Mass – with St. Joseph's Year 3, followed by confessions
Wednesday	9.00 a.m.	<b>Eucharistic service</b>
	7.00 p.m.	Bible study group
Thursday	9.00 a.m.	Mass
	10.00 a.m.	Simple liturgy for the Infants at St. Joseph's School
	8.00 p.m.	Meeting of Knights of St. Columba in the parish meeting room
Friday	9.00 a.m.	Mass
Saturday	12.00 noon	Mass – St. Joseph, husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary followed by confessions until 12.45 p.m.
	6.15 p.m.	Vigil mass for Sunday
	8.00 p.m.	St. Patrick's Day Dance in the parish hall
Sunday	9.00 a.m.	Sunday mass – Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord Mass will be followed by an information film in the parish hall
	4.00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross and Benediction

## Sacramental Programme: up to date info on the parish website.

**Confirmation:** *Tuesday, 6<sup>th</sup> May at 7 p.m. in St. Joseph's Church*

The bishop is coming to St. Joseph's to confirm the children from both Darwen parishes. There will be over 60 to be confirmed. We have counted the available places, including extra chairs, and we have calculated that each child may be accompanied by four people in total. Tickets will be available nearer the time and admission will be by ticket only. We are looking for your understanding and cooperation in this. Many thanks.

**Fr. Peter and Fr. John**

## Cafod Lent Fast Day

Envelopes are still available at the back of church for your Lenten donations. We will be closing the collection this Sunday.

## Mass intentions received

**Anniversary:** Kathleen McCarrick (11<sup>th</sup> March) – 2 masses

**Birthday anniversaries:** Emily O'Neil (6<sup>th</sup> March), Sandra O'Neil (7<sup>th</sup> March)

**Mother's Day remembrance:** Catherine Walsh, Linda Eastham, Alice Sandbach, Eileen Mears

**Sick:** Ritchie McManus

**Other intentions:** Terry Harwood, Thomasine Anderson, the Lawson family, Christopher Anderson – 2 masses, Cheryl and Antonio Panico – 2 masses, the Yates family into the care, protection and help of Jesus and His holy mother Mary, the Aldcroft family, Rudolph Round, Gail Heys – 2 masses, Our Lady of good remedy – 3 masses, the holy family, St. Anthony and St. Jude, St. Theresa for a special intention

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## Palm Sunday mass

Next Sunday, mass will start with the blessing of palms in the hall at 9 a.m. followed by the procession to church for the Eucharist.

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## Service of reconciliation

**Tuesday, 18<sup>th</sup> March, at 7 p.m.**

There will be a service of reconciliation with the opportunity for confession on Tuesday of Holy Week. This is for both Darwen parishes.

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## Knights of St. Columba

**Thursday at 8 p.m. in the meeting room**

The next meeting of the Knights of St. Columba, Council 149, will be held in the parish meeting room **this Thursday, 13<sup>th</sup> March**, at 8 p.m. Potential new members are very welcome.

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## St. Patrick's Day Dance

**Saturday, 15<sup>th</sup> March, 8 p.m. to midnight**

The dance will be held in the parish hall. Admission is £3. Everyone is welcome.

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## Scout fundraising

St. Joseph's Scout Group will be arranging another raffle this year, which will be drawn at the Family Party after the St. George's Day parade.

The group is also taking part in the Fones4Schools mobile phone recycling campaign to help raise funds and equipment for the Beavers, Cubs and Scouts, whilst keeping old phones out of landfill sites.

If anyone has any old mobile phones that they no longer want, we will be collecting these at the back of church until Saturday, 19<sup>th</sup> April. The phones can be of any age or condition and they do not need to have chargers, boxes or any other accessories. Many thanks.

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## Last week's collections

Offertory collection                      £681.28

**Thank you**

## 200 Club winners

1 <sup>st</sup> prize	£40	185	Esther McIntyre
2 <sup>nd</sup> prize	£10	20	G. Whittam
3 <sup>rd</sup> prize	£5	141	A. Astley

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## Ministries

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

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