



ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PARISH, DARWEN

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The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

16th August 2009

This week in St. Joseph's Parish

Sunday	9.00 a.m.	Sunday mass – The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Monday	9.15 a.m.	Morning prayer in the Divine Office <i>Note: no mass on Monday</i>
Tuesday	9.00 a.m.	<i>Eucharistic service</i>
Wednesday	9.00 a.m.	<i>Eucharistic service</i>
	7.00 p.m.	Bible study group
Thursday	9.00 a.m.	<i>Eucharistic service</i>
Friday	9.00 a.m.	<i>Eucharistic service</i>
Saturday		<i>Note: no Saturday morning mass or confessions this week</i>
	6.15 p.m.	Vigil mass for Sunday
Sunday	9.00 a.m.	Sunday mass – Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time

*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.*

Christmas Fair

There will be a short meeting on Wednesday, 19th August, at 7.30 p.m. in the parish meeting room to confirm the date, decide on the value of the raffle money prizes and to see who can "request" donated prizes, and to begin a framework for the event.

Day of prayer for vocations

Friday, 28th August

More volunteers are still needed to read (mostly small parts) from Job. The plan for the day is on the notice board.

Young Christian Workers (YCW)

The Darwen branch of the YCW is looking for new members. We meet most Fridays and have fun. We try to live our lives through the *See, Judge, Act* way of living and help each other through it. If you are aged between 16 and 30 and would like more information, please call Angela on 07877 300669 or see the notice board at the back of church.

Our YCW group is trying to raise £3,000 for the national campaign to raise awareness of increasing your poverty in the UK. 20% of youths in this country live in poverty. To raise money we are planning a number of events. More details will follow.

Mass intentions received

Lately dead: Stephanie Yates

Anniversaries: Joan Wickers (16th August), Margaret Kendal (16th August), David Spink (14th August), Sandra Turner (17th August), Valerie Coster (22nd August)

Birthday anniversary: Raymond Conlon (16th August) – 2 masses

Sick: Cathleen Whittam

Other intentions: the holy family, St. Anthony and St. Jude, St. Martin, Terry Harwood, thanksgiving to Our Lady of good remedy for good results, Paul Calderbank

Ilkley

Those who have signed up for the day retreat to Ilkley please note that the cost will be £26 each. Rita will be in the porch after mass on the weekend of 5th/6th September to collect the deposits of £6. The balance can be paid then, or on the coach. There are more details at the back of church.

St. Joseph's needs YOU!

Charity Shop, 13th – 19th September, at 37 Penny Street, Blackburn

Please volunteer to serve in the shop for just a couple of hours on any of the days. At least two people are needed at all times; otherwise the shop will not be able to remain open.

We also need volunteers to help with receiving goods and setting up the shop on Sunday, 13th September, from 10 a.m. Rota lists are on the tables at the back of church. Please add your name today. Contact Eileen on 01254 776234 for more information.

With your help we hope to raise £1,000. De-clutter your home and bring your unwanted saleable items to raise money for St. Joseph's.

Visits to Ladyewell House, Fernyhalgh

Diocesan pilgrimage on Saturday, 5th September

This starts at 2 p.m. with mass at St. Mary's, followed by procession, rosary, confessions, benediction and ending with refreshments at about 4 p.m.

Knights of St. Columba visit on Tuesday, 8th September (birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary)

The coach leaves St. Joseph's at 10.50 a.m. and Sacred Heart and St. Edward at 11 a.m. On the notice board there are more details and a sheet to add your name if you need transport.

Last week's collections

Offertory collection £593.52

Thank you

200 Club winners

1 st prize	£40	42	K. Taylor
2 nd prize	£10	158	Mrs. Drew
3 rd prize	£5	119	Linda Berry

Ministries

	This week		Next week	
	<i>Saturday</i>	<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>	<i>Sunday</i>
Readers	D. Lingard A. Barker	A. Gibbs	B. Hughes D. Ross	P. Cooney D. McElroy
Eucharistic Ministers	A. Gibbs P. Ainscough K. Hine P. Wardle M. Saynor	J. Briggs D. Forbes F. Boudjeko A. J. Gordon G. Brindle	T. McIver R. Knowles A. Barker A. Gibbs P. Ainscough	D. Jarrett B. Melia P. Cooney M. Alvarez J. Briggs