



# ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PARISH, DARWEN

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Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5<sup>th</sup> July 2009

## This week in St. Joseph's Parish

Sunday	9.00 a.m.	Sunday mass – Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday	9.15 a.m.	Morning prayer in the Divine Office
	7.00 p.m.	<i>Leavers' mass at St. Bede's</i>
Tuesday	9.00 a.m.	Mass
Wednesday	9.00 a.m.	Mass
	7.00 p.m.	Bible study group
Thursday	9.00 a.m.	Mass – St. Augustine Zhao-Rong, priest and companions, martyrs
Friday	9.00 a.m.	Mass
Saturday		<i>Note: no mass or confessions at 10.00 a.m. on Saturday</i>
	11.00 a.m.	Nuptial mass for Lisa Cowburn and Adrian Melia
	6.15 p.m.	Vigil mass for Sunday
Sunday	9.00 a.m.	Sunday mass – Fifteenth 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.*

## St. Joseph's School Summer Fair – this Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> July

From 1 p.m. until 3 p.m. at St. Joseph's School, Limes Avenue, Darwen.

## Day of prayer for vocations (28<sup>th</sup> August)

A small group came along to this week's first planning meeting but more are needed to read, sing, help with lunch, etc. The day will include mass and benediction. However, if you have any ideas or are willing to help in any way, please come along to the next meeting on Thursday, 16<sup>th</sup> July, at 7 p.m. in the parish hall.

## 200 Club winners

### Half-year bumper draw

1 <sup>st</sup> prize	£500	79	Doreen Tumelty
2 <sup>nd</sup> prize	£300	161	Pauline Ainscough
3 <sup>rd</sup> prize	£100	146	Eileen Helliwell
4 <sup>th</sup> prize	£100	147	Winnie Godwin

### This week's draw

1 <sup>st</sup> prize	£40	6	Stephen Hine
2 <sup>nd</sup> prize	£10	78	Theresa Round
3 <sup>rd</sup> prize	£5	193	Stella Nelems

## Mass intentions received

**Lately dead:** Margaret Smith, Keith Montague

**Anniversaries:** Ronald Taylor (7<sup>th</sup> July), Rose Fay

**Other intentions:** Terry Harwood, for a safe and happy holiday, the holy family, thanksgiving to St. Anthony and St. Jude, special intention to Our Lady, for good results

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## “The Year of the Priest”

On the feast of the Sacred Heart, which this year was the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the death of St. John Vianney, the Curé of Ars, the patron saint of priests, Pope Benedict inaugurated “The Year of the Priest”. This is an invitation for priests and lay people alike to explore God’s gift of priesthood. This gift is given in a particular way to individuals but is also shared co-operatively by all the faithful through baptism. Pope Benedict’s letter inaugurating the Year of the Priest is well worth reading. It can be found on the Vatican website, [www.vatican.va](http://www.vatican.va). To go directly to it, use the following link, which you can copy from the newsletter on the parish website.

[http://www.vatican.va/holy\\_father/benedict\\_xvi/letters/2009/documents/hf\\_ben-xvi\\_let\\_20090616\\_anno-sacerdotale\\_en.html](http://www.vatican.va/holy_father/benedict_xvi/letters/2009/documents/hf_ben-xvi_let_20090616_anno-sacerdotale_en.html)

There are some copies of this letter on the tables in the centre aisle. If more are wanted, please ask.

A **Curé of Ars Prayer Book** which contains quotes from the writings and sermons of St. John Vianney along with prayers and pictures of the Saint and the town and church of Ars are available in the repository shop priced £2.99.

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## Maintenance group

If you are willing to help with painting and renovating the church buildings, please add your name and contact details to the list at the back of church.

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## Last week’s collections

Offertory collection	£661.94
Saturday cake stall	£129.60

Thank you

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## Ministries

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