



# ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PARISH, DARWEN

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Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

13<sup>th</sup> September 2009

## This week in St. Joseph's Parish

Sunday	9.00 a.m.	Sunday mass – Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday	9.15 a.m.	Morning prayer in the Divine Office <i>Note: no mass on Monday</i>
Tuesday	9.00 a.m.	Mass – Our Lady of Sorrows
Wednesday	9.00 a.m.	Mass – St. Cornelius, pope, and St. Cyprian, bishop, martyrs
	7.00 p.m.	Bible study group
Thursday	9.00 a.m.	Mass – St. Robert Bellarmine, bishop and doctor
Friday	9.00 a.m.	Eucharistic Service
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 Fifth 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.*

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## Gift Aid

Thank you to those who have signed a Gift Aid form. As a result, and with no extra cost to you or any inconvenience, the parish has received £4,343 returned from the tax you paid on your donations. This is a vitally important part of our income, going part way to offset the fuel bills for St. Joseph's, which have already exceeded £10,000 this year. However, due to tax changes, this is about to be reduced; we therefore need more people who are taxpayers to sign Gift Aid forms.

You can find out more from Terry O'Neil, Fr. Peter, the parish website or the papers in the church porch. Gift Aid does not commit you to any payments but we get tax back on what you do give. It really is simple and it's free!

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## Cafod news update

Cafod is organizing a New Climate Justice Campaign, aimed at reminding our Prime Minister that, when he meets with other world leaders in Copenhagen on 5<sup>th</sup> December, they will work together to help secure a fair deal for the world's poorest communities.

You can help by signing an "Our climate is in our hands" postcard. Please leave this in the tray at the back of church. The completed cards will then be returned to Cafod, who will pass them on to the Prime Minister. Remember that, although individual action may seem insignificant, together the small steps of many people can have an astonishing impact. Thank you for your support.

## Mass intentions received

Lately dead: Albert Bolan, Thomas Brady

Anniversaries: Lillian Scott, Bob Eastham (6<sup>th</sup> September) – 2 masses

Birthday anniversary: Mary Sharples (8<sup>th</sup> September)

Golden wedding anniversary: Anne and Eric Boardman

Other intentions: thanksgiving to the holy family, St. Anthony and St. Jude, Terry Harwood

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## Golden wedding anniversary

Once again we have a terrific anniversary to celebrate. Fifty years ago on the 12<sup>th</sup> September, Eric Boardman and Anne McNicholas celebrated their nuptial mass and entered married life as a sacrament of and for the Church. We congratulate them and thank them for their contribution to St. Joseph's over so many years. God bless you.

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## Donations

Many thanks to three people who have shown appreciation recently. We have had a donation of £130 from sponsorship of someone who has stopped smoking; a donation of £100 and a gift of several packets of biscuits for the people who spend many hours here, behind the scenes, keeping things going so well. Very thoughtful. Once again, many thanks.

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## Charity shop this week – final appeal

Please deliver your saleable items (non-electrical goods, including jewellery and small items of furniture) to 37 Penny Street this Sunday, 13<sup>th</sup> September from 10 a.m. We need help to move a few items that have been stored in the hall and also some assistance with sorting goods at the shop. Copies of the shop rota are at the back of church. For more info, call Eileen on 776234.

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## Planned visits

There are plans to go to **Salford Cathedral** while the relics of St. Therese of Lisieux are there on the weekend of 26<sup>th</sup> September. There are more details at the back of church.

It is also hoped to visit **Manchester Synagogue** one weekday afternoon in late October, subject to our having a minimum group size of twelve. If you are interested, please sign your name on the sheet at the back of church. Please call Doreen Jarrett on 704683 for more information.

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## Last week's collections

Offertory collection                      £662.74  
S. V. P.    £305.06

Thank you

## 200 Club winners

1 <sup>st</sup> prize	£40	108	B. and J. Toner
2 <sup>nd</sup> prize	£10	11	B. Armitage
3 <sup>rd</sup> prize	£5	139	R. Johnson

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## Ministries

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