



# St. Joseph's Catholic Parish, Darwen

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The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

26<sup>th</sup> December 2010

## This week in St. Joseph's Parish

Sunday	9.00 a.m.	Sunday mass – Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph (Year A)
	10.30 a.m.	Sunday mass (extra mass because there was no vigil mass)
Monday	12.00 noon	Mass – <i>St. John, apostle and evangelist</i>
Tuesday	10.00 a.m.	Mass at <i>Our Lady's</i>
	12.00 noon	Mass – <i>The Holy Innocents, martyrs</i>
Wednesday	9.00 a.m.	Mass – St. Thomas of Canterbury, bishop and martyr
	1.00 p.m.	Funeral service at Pleasington Crematorium for Anthony Kay, R.I.P.
	7.00 p.m.	Bible study in the parish meeting room
Thursday	9.00 a.m.	Mass
Friday	9.00 a.m.	Mass – St. Sylvester the First, pope
Saturday	12.00 noon	Mass – <i>Holy Mary, Mother of God</i>
	6.15 p.m.	Vigil mass for Sunday
Sunday	9.00 a.m.	Sunday mass – The Epiphany of the Lord

*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.*

## Mass intentions received

**Sick:** Mary Howard, Frances Hunt

**Anniversaries:** James Culshaw (31<sup>st</sup> December), Michael Burns (22<sup>nd</sup> December) – 2 masses, Beatrice Ellen Holden (27<sup>th</sup> December), Josephine Scholes (24<sup>th</sup> December), Edward Godwin (22<sup>nd</sup> December)

**Christmas remembrance:** the Conlon family, the Wickers and Durkin families, Robert Holden, Peter Holden, Eliza Ann Smith, the Mclver family, George McCann, Brian Entwistle, the Entwistle family, the Waddington family, Winnifred Byrne – 2 masses

**Other intentions:** Joseph Brian Coupe, John Anderton, in honour of St. Anthony and St. Jude – 2 masses

## Refreshments

There will be no bacon butties this Sunday, 26<sup>th</sup> December. Normal service resumes next week.

## Last weekend's collections

Offertory collection                      £309.23

Thank you

## 200 Club winners

1 <sup>st</sup> prize	£40	136	Margaret Slater
2 <sup>nd</sup> prize	£10	141	Peter Bolan
3 <sup>rd</sup> prize	£5	20	Joyce Whittam

# Ministries

	This week		Next week	
	<i>Saturday</i>	<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>	<i>Sunday</i>
<i>Readers</i>		D. Ryding A. Gibbs	B. Hughes D. Ross	T. Thompson P. Cooney
<i>Eucharistic Ministers</i>		G. Brindle D. Jarrett B. Melia P. Cooney M. Alvarez	A. Gibbs A. Walsh P. Ainscough P. Wardle T. Mclver	J. Briggs D. Forbes F. Boudjeko A. J. Gordon G. Brindle

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I would like to wish all our regular congregation, our visitors, those who support us and our neighbours the Joy, Love and Blessings which the birth of Christ promises.

I would also like to thank the growing number of parishioners who are taking the initiative or the invitation to support the parish and to extend the ministry of the parish in so many ways. It is encouraging to see ownership of the parish being taken up by so many more people.

We are in changing times and will soon be in a situation where the parish really will be the people with a priest available less, contributing the ministries which lay people cannot provide.

May God in his goodness bless you and reward you in his goodness for all your work, support, presence and encouragement.

Fr. Peter.

A Happy and Holy Christmas to you all, and may Peace and Good Fortune be yours in the New Year.

