

# ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PARISH, DARWEN



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**Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord**

**28<sup>th</sup> March 2010**

## This week in St. Joseph's Parish

Sunday	9.00 a.m.	<b>Sunday mass – Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord</b>
	2.30 p.m.	Start of the walk of witness at The Green, Darwen town centre
Monday	7.00 a.m.	Mass, then Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 8 a.m.
	9.15 a.m.	Morning prayer from the Divine Office
Tuesday	9.00 a.m.	Mass
Wednesday	9.00 a.m.	Mass
Thursday		<b>Mundy Thursday</b>
	7.30 p.m.	Mass of the Lord's Supper, followed by Watching at the Altar of Repose until 11 p.m.
Friday		<b>Good Friday</b>
	3.00 p.m.	Liturgy of the Lord's Passion
Saturday		<b>Holy Saturday</b>
		<i>Note: no morning services or 6.15 p.m. vigil mass on Saturday</i>
	9.30 a.m.	Church open for decoration of the Easter garden
	8.00 p.m.	<b>Easter Vigil, beginning in the yard with blessing of the Easter Fire</b>
Sunday	9.00 a.m.	<b>Mass of Easter Day</b>

*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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## Palm Sunday

This weekend's masses will begin in the parish hall with the blessing of palms and the reading of the entry of Jesus into Jerusalem from Luke's gospel, followed by procession into church.

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## Easter garden

The church will be open from 9.30 a.m. on Holy Saturday morning to receive plants, flowering or leafy, for the Easter Garden, and to help with the garden and decorating the church for Easter.

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## Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist

We are looking for people to offer themselves as candidates to be Eucharistic ministers to serve at mass, especially for the Saturday vigil. If you are interested and would like to learn more about this important and spiritually rewarding lay ministry, please have a word with Fr. Peter or Alan Barker, or leave your contact details in the sacristy. Thank you.

## Mass intentions received

Lately dead: Joan Spazicker

Anniversary: Harry Ashworth (27<sup>th</sup> March)

Thanksgiving: St. Anthony and St. Jude, Joseph Shaw, for exam results

Other intentions: holy family, St. Martin, for improved health – 4 masses, Our Lady of good remedy – 2 masses, Walter Clarke, Brian Poultney, special intention to St. Anthony and St. Jude, for all the family, holy souls

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## Charity shop

The shop made a profit of £1,073.22. Many thanks to all who gave goods and their time so generously. We have the shop again, starting on 3<sup>rd</sup> October, so please hold on to any unwanted winter clothes and ask your family and friends to do the same.

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## Irish night (organised by the K.S.C.)

7.30 p.m. on Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> April, in the parish hall

We will have the same group of musicians as last time, a bar and raffle. Supper (potato pie or vegetarian cheese pie) is included in the price - £5 for adults and £2.50 for children. It promises to be a great evening and all proceeds will go to support the badly needed church renovations.

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## St. Mary's College Spring Concert

7.30 p.m. on Monday, 29<sup>th</sup> March, in the Main Hall of St. Mary's College

Admission is £3.50 for adults and £2.00 for concessions. Tickets are only available on the door.

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## ... and don't forget...

*"Active Kids" and any other vouchers* – please leave in the basket at the back of church

*Cafod* – there is a permanent collection box in the wall of the porch, labelled Cafod

*Divine Mercy Sunday devotions* – 2 p.m. on Sunday, 11<sup>th</sup> April, at St. Joseph's, Audley

*Parish summer meal* – Sunday, 27<sup>th</sup> June at MJ's. Menus on display. £15.95 per person.

*Bring and buy for Lourdes fares* – 10<sup>th</sup> April at St. Joseph's, Blackburn. See notice for details.

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## Last weekend's collections

Offertory collection                      £690.00

Thank you

## 200 Club winners

1 <sup>st</sup> prize	£40	114	Thomas McIver
2 <sup>nd</sup> prize	£10	55	Kathleen Taylor
3 <sup>rd</sup> prize	£5	174	M. and K. Jolley

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## Ministries

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