



# ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PARISH, DARWEN

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4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

29<sup>th</sup> April 2007

## This week in St. Joseph's Parish

Sunday	9.00 a.m.	Sunday mass – 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter and Vocations Sunday
Monday	9.00 a.m.	Mass – St. Pius V, pope. Reforming, Dominican pope, died in 1572.
Tuesday	9.00 a.m.	Mass – St. Joseph the Worker
Wednesday	9.00 a.m.	Eucharistic service – St. Athanasius, bishop and doctor. Died in 373.
Thursday	9.00 a.m.	Eucharistic service – Saints Philip and James, apostles.
Friday	9.00 a.m.	Mass – the English Martyrs
Saturday	12.00 noon	Mass
	12.20 p.m.	Confessions until 12.45 p.m.
	6.15 p.m.	Vigil mass for Sunday
Sunday	9.00 a.m.	Sunday mass – 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

## Ministries for next week

### Readers

Saturday, 6.15 p.m. Parade  
Sunday, 9.00 a.m. D. Ross

### Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday, 6.15 p.m. M. Saynor  
T. McIver  
R. Knowles  
A. Barker  
S. Jackson  
Sunday, 9.00 a.m. G. Brindle  
M. Alvarez  
J. Briggs  
R. Massey  
D. Forbes

## Last weekend's collections

Offertory collection £645.20

## 200 Club winners

1 <sup>st</sup> prize	£40	195	Mrs. M. Taylor
2 <sup>nd</sup> prize	£10	157	E. Eastham
3 <sup>rd</sup> prize	£5	90	Julie Quigley

## Refreshments after mass

Remember that the hall is open for refreshments after Sunday mass each week.

Please come along for a cuppa and a chat.

## Mass intentions received

**Anniversary:** John Flynn – 25<sup>th</sup> April, Leo Conlon, Margaret Tyrell – 25<sup>th</sup> April, Thomas McIver

**Birthday Anniversary:** Marie Flynn, Thomas McIver

**Other intentions:** special intention (holy family), special intention (St. Anthony and St. Jude), Terry Harwood (2), Sarah McNicholas

## Is God calling you?

On this Good Shepherd Sunday, we celebrate the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life, especially for our diocese, that God will raise good shepherds in our midst.

If God is calling you, call the Salford Diocese Vocations Director, Fr. David Featherstone, on 0161 681 1410.

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## Gift Aid

If you are not currently signed up to the Gift Aid scheme, please consider doing so.

For more information please look under the Gift Aid link on the parish website, email [giftaid@stjosephsdarwen.org.uk](mailto:giftaid@stjosephsdarwen.org.uk) or see Terry O'Neil after mass.

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## Pilgrimage to Ladyewell

**Saturday, 19<sup>th</sup> May, starting at 2.00 p.m.**

This year's diocesan pilgrimage to Ladyewell (the Lancashire shrine of Our Lady) will be led by Monsignor Mark Davies, V.G.

There will be a procession from St. Mary's Church, Fernyhalgh Lane, followed by time for quiet prayer, an opportunity for confession and benediction. Refreshments will be available at 4.00 p.m.

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## Education: Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies (CCRS)

This is a 2 year part-time course, which is a required qualification for all involved in the classroom teaching of religious education, and for those in senior management positions in Catholic schools. For further details see the leaflet on the notice board.

Modules S3 (chaplaincy) and S4 (Catholic social teaching) are each available as free-standing, certificated courses. Information is available on the notice board.

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## Mass for justice and peace

**Sunday, 13<sup>th</sup> May, St. Boniface's Church, Salford. Starts 4 p.m. (singing practice 3.30 p.m.)**

Fr. Peter Kinsella (President of the Faith and Justice Commission) will celebrate this mass, which will include a reflection on Oscar Romero. Refreshments will be available after mass. Please see the notice board for further details.

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## "Right to Life" sponsored walk across Morecambe Bay

**Bank Holiday Monday, 28<sup>th</sup> May, starting at 3.45 p.m.**

His Grace, Archbishop Kelly will again lead this walk in aid of Right to Life. Walkers and sponsors are invited to add their names to the list at the back of church. More information is available from Moira Billinge on 0151 291 7728.

## Vocations Sunday

For more information on vocations, see [www.vocationsgroup.org.uk](http://www.vocationsgroup.org.uk) and [www.walsinghamcommunity.org](http://www.walsinghamcommunity.org), which is the website of the most recently founded religious order in England.

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## Katie's walk for CAFOD

Katie Edwards completed her sponsored walk for CAFOD at Heaton Park on 15<sup>th</sup> April. Thanks to all those who sponsored her or who made a contribution at last Saturday's mass. She will be at the back of church after this Sunday's mass to collect any remaining monies. Any other contributions can be given to Fr. Peter or you can contact Pauline Edwards on 707166.

We will publish the final total raised for CAFOD in the newsletter. Thanks once again.

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## Parish "Summer" meal

**Craiglands, Sunday, 1<sup>st</sup> July at 7.30 p.m.**

A parish meal has been arranged at Craiglands.

If you would like to come along please add your name and contact details to the list at the back of church. The cost is £14.95 per person.

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