



# ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PARISH, DARWEN

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

13<sup>th</sup> May 2007

## This week in St. Joseph's Parish

Sunday	9.00 a.m.	Sunday mass – 6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter
Monday	9.00 a.m.	Mass – St. Matthias, apostle. Chosen to take the place of Judas Iscariot.
Tuesday	9.00 a.m.	Mass
Wednesday	9.00 a.m.	Mass
Thursday	9.00 a.m.	Mass
Friday	9.00 a.m.	Mass – St. John I, pope and martyr. 6 <sup>th</sup> century pope, died imprisoned.
Saturday	6.15 p.m.	Vigil mass for Sunday
Sunday	9.00 a.m.	Sunday mass – The Ascension of the Lord

## Ministries for next week

### Readers

Saturday, 6.15 p.m. W. Godwin  
Sunday, 9.00 a.m. D. Beaton

### Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday, 6.15 p.m. T. McIver  
R. Knowles  
A. Barker  
S. Jackson  
A. Gibbs  
Sunday, 9.00 a.m. R. Massey  
D. Forbes  
A. Gordon  
D. Beaton  
G. Brindle

***New lists are due. Please let us know any changes by next Sunday. Thank you.***

## Last weekend's collections

Offertory collection £646.63

## 200 Club winners

1 <sup>st</sup> prize	£40	14	Mr. T. Griffiths
2 <sup>nd</sup> prize	£10	124	Tony Toner
3 <sup>rd</sup> prize	£5	57	B. Saynor

## Thanks

On behalf of the parish, I would like to thank the uniformed organisations (Brownies, Beavers, Cubs and Scouts) for their magnificent raffle and family fun day on St. George's Day. This raised £1,000 for the parish. Very well done.

## Mass intentions received

**Lately Dead:** Maura Leach, Thomas Grogan

**Sick:** David Bell (in hospital)

**Anniversary:** Terence McNicholas – 13<sup>th</sup> May

**Birthday Anniversary:** Jack Sowerbutts – 13<sup>th</sup> May, Sandra Dunn, David Mealor

**Other intentions:** Terry Harwood, special intention, Our Lady of Good Remedy, special intention (holy family), special intention (Ss. Anthony and Jude), special intention (sick person)

## Changes to Saturday's midday masses

The mass of Saturday at noon (not the vigil mass at 6.15 p.m.) will not always take place over the next few weeks, mainly because of a number of weddings we will be celebrating here. There will be no Saturday midday mass on the 19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> May. There will also be no confessions on the 19<sup>th</sup> May. Please check the newsletter each week for the latest information.

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## New kitchen

I've just received the green light from the diocese to start work on the kitchen after recommending a quote for £13,000. Thanks to the £1,000 we received last week, we now need to raise a further £12,000. Thanks also to an anonymous donation of £40 for the kitchen. All donations and fund raising ideas will be very welcome.

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## Parish hall – our parish hub

The parish hall is in use every weekday evening and each group makes a contribution to the running of the parish. We are grateful for their weekly financial support but especially grateful to the people who give their own time and make a positive contribution to other people and the social and spiritual life of the parish. Again, many thanks.

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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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## Mass for the housebound

**Sunday, 17<sup>th</sup> June, at 2 p.m. in the parish hall**

If you know of anyone who would like to attend, or if you are willing to assist with transport, catering, nursing or just generally, please let us know on the lists which are at the back of church.

**Eucharistic ministers:** please mention this mass during your visits. Thank you.

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## Katie's Walk in the Park for CAFOD

Katie raised £253.45 for CAFOD's Walk in the Park. Thanks to everyone who contributed in helping her raise such a magnificent sum. The Catholic Agency for Overseas Development is our very own organisation and does wonderful work in developing countries. Its main support comes from parishes in England and Wales. We can be rightly proud of the role we play in this work.

## Cake stall in the church porch

**Sundays - 20<sup>th</sup> May and 1<sup>st</sup> July**

Next Sunday we will have a stall selling home made cakes, which will be open after Sunday mass. A second date is also planned and, if successful, we hope to do this on a fairly regular basis.

Help with baking cakes, fruit pies, etc. will be very gratefully received.

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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.

**Important:** names and deposits of £5 per person are required by this Sunday, 13<sup>th</sup>.

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## Is God calling you?

Those who love me will be true to my word. My Father will love them and will come to them. How will I respond to that one love? Am I being called to priesthood or religious life?

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

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