If you wish to have your child Baptised here at St Joseph's church, please ring the Parish Office to book a place at the next Baptism Meeting.

Which, takes place the 1st Sunday of the month following the 9.30 am Mass.



Spiritual Communion Prayer. My Jesus,

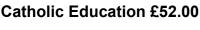
I believe that You are truly present in the Most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if you were already there, and I unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen (Saint Alphonsus Liguori)

Last weeks Collection

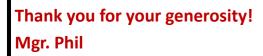
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Total Collection for the last weekend.

Gift Aid: £321.50
Loose Plate: £269.00
Total: £590.50



Home Missions £154.41



MISSION STATEMENT

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Monday, Wednesday,

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Thursday Friday 9:30am - 1:30pm

Parish Administrator

Stephanie Allen 01257 676027



Church Cleaning Rota

This week Group 3

Thank you to **ALL** our

volunteers who help to clean and prepare our church throughout the year.

If you can help please let Mgr. Phil know.



Next Tea/Coffee Morning

This Sunday 28th September
Tea, Coffee and Homemade Cakes
following the 9.30am Mass,
Served in the Parish Hall.

Please come and join us. It's the place to meet old Friends and new!!!!

Nine First Fridays Devotion.

At St Joseph's we continue with our First Friday Devotion in honour of the most Sacred Heart of Jesus. This devotion begs God's infinite mercy for our World and for our Church. The "Great promise" associated with this devotion applied to those who went to Holy Mass and received the Eucharist on nine consecutive First Fridays: "I promise you, in the excess of the mercy of My Heart, that its all-powerful love will grant to all those who shall receive Communion on the first Friday of nine consecutive months the grace of final repentance; they shall not die under My displeasure nor without receiving the Sacraments, My Divine Heart becoming their assured refuge at that last hour." Our

next First Friday Devotion is on 3rd October at

9.30am . We encourage you to join us in begging the Lord for those graces promised through St. Margaret Mary to those who fulfil his directions by completing the Nine First Fridays devotion.

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26th Sunday of Ordinary Time C



28th September 2025

28th September	9.30am	Ellen (Nellie) Gregory
	5.00pm	People of the Parish
Monday	9.30am	Wade Thomas - Healing
Tuesday	No Public Mass	
Wednesday	No Public Mass	
Thursday	No Public Mass	
Friday First Friday	9.30am	Special Intention
Saturday	No Public Mass	
5th October 2025	9.30am	Edwin Howarth
27th Sunday C	5.00pm	People of the Parish

Sacrament of Reconciliation on request. Please contact the Parish Office or Monsignor Phil.

First Reading	A reading from: Amos 6:1a, 4-7	
Psalm Response	My soul, give praise to the Lord.	
	Ps 146(145):6c-7. 8-9a. 9b-10. R. 1b	
Second Reading	A reading from: The first letter of Saint Paul to Timothy.	
	6:11-16	
The Gospel	Alleluia, alleluia.	
Acclamation	Jesus Christ, though he was rich,	
	yet for your sake he became poor,	
	so that you by his poverty might become rich.	
	Alleluia.	
Gospel	A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 16:19-31	
Communion Antiphon	Remember your word to your servant, O Lord,	
	by which you have given me hope.	
	This is my comfort when I am brought low.	
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26th Sunday of Ordinary Time Year C

Calls us to reflect on our responsibilities towards others, particularly the poor and marginalized, as highlighted in the readings from Amos, Timothy and the Gospel of Luke.

Terminally III Adults (End of Life) Bill

PRESS RELEASE UPDATE

19 September 2025 – In a significant win for opponents of the assisted suicide Bill, the House of Lords has approved the establishment of a dedicated select committee to further scrutinise the Bill's proposals, with the commencement of the Bill's formal Committee Stage being delayed until the select committee has reported.

Last week, Baroness Berger tabled an amendment that delayed the commencement of the Bill's Committee Stage until a select committee had reported. This was branded by supporters of the bill as a "wrecking amendment" and dismissed by Lord Falconer as not "workable".

On Wednesday, in a significant U-turn, Lord Falconer made a major concession, agreeing that he would now back a new amendment tabled by Baroness Berger that would, in fact, still delay the commencement of the Bill's Committee Stage until a select committee had reported. For more information please visit www.righttolife.org.uk

Holy Mass Intentions.

If you would like to request a Mass to be celebrated here at St Joseph's church, there are envelopes at the back of church. Please state clearly for whom your Mass intention is for and the date you wish to have the Mass celebrated on. We will try to meet your requests, Please enclose your offering and pass to the parish office.

The great Doctor of the Church St Anselm declared that a single Mass offered for oneself during life may be worth more than a thousand celebrated for the same intention after your death.

Sick in our Parish

Please pray the sick of our community, especially Olivia Williams, Joan Bolton and those who are suffering from a terminal illness, remembering also all the patients in Wrightington and Wigan hospital, our local Hospice and members of the Royal Family. Heal thy servants, O Lord, who are sick and put their trust in Thee. Send them help, O Lord, and comfort from thy Holy place.

Hospital Catholic Chaplaincy

Wigan, Wrightington Hospital and Wigan Hospice.

If you or a family member are admitted into the hospital or the hospice please make sure the Catholic Chaplaincy Team, based at Wigan Infirmary, know you are there.

In an emergency ask the ward staff to contact the on-call Catholic Priest.

Holy Souls

In your charity, please pray for Fr. Lawrence Mayne who has recently died, and for all those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

We also remember the forgotten Holy Souls who have no one to pray for them including Priests and Religious. Eternal rest grant on to them, O Lord, and

let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in your peace. Amen



Primary School Applications

The closing date for primary applications for September 2026 is Thursday 15th January



Applications to be made via your own council website.

The Link to Lancashire County Council is:

www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/apply-for-a-school-place

St JOSEPH'S QUIZ Night 10th October 2025





- 1. What is another name for the Animal known as a Gnu?
 - 2. What are the fruits of the Blackthorn called?

All answers will be published on next weeks Newsletter.

Please join us in the Parish Hall on Friday 10th October

Would all quizzers please remember to bring something to write with on quiz night, be it pen (ink or ballpoint), pencil, crayon, stylus, stick of charcoal or quill.

Doors 7pm, Quiz 7:30pm, bring your own drinks - Tickets available after Sunday Mass



St John Rigby College Open Events

Saturday 4th October

10am - 1.30pm

Thursday 16th October

4.30pm - 7.30pm

Thursday 6th November

4.30pm—7.30pm

For more information visit www.sjr.ac.uk

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Two Cathedrals Messiah

Saturday 11 October

The choirs of Liverpool Cathedral and Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral, accompanied by the Liverpool Mozart Orchestra, join together to sing Handel's choral masterpiece 'Messiah.'

Soloists Kelsey Thomas (soprano) Danny Townley (alto) Stefan Kennedy (tenor) and Joe Murphy (bass) were all born and educated here in Liverpool.

Conductor Richard Lea will lead the choirs, orchestra and soloists through some of Handel's best loved movements such as 'I know my redeemer liveth' the 'Hallelujah Chorus' and 'Worthy is the Lamb.' All are invited to experience this unique Liverpool tradition of the Two Cathedrals Messiah on Saturday 11 October.

Tickets (£15/20) https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/metcathedral/