


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.



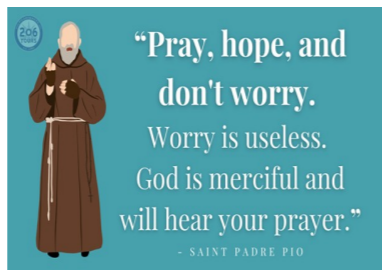

Church Cleaning Rota

This week Group 4

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

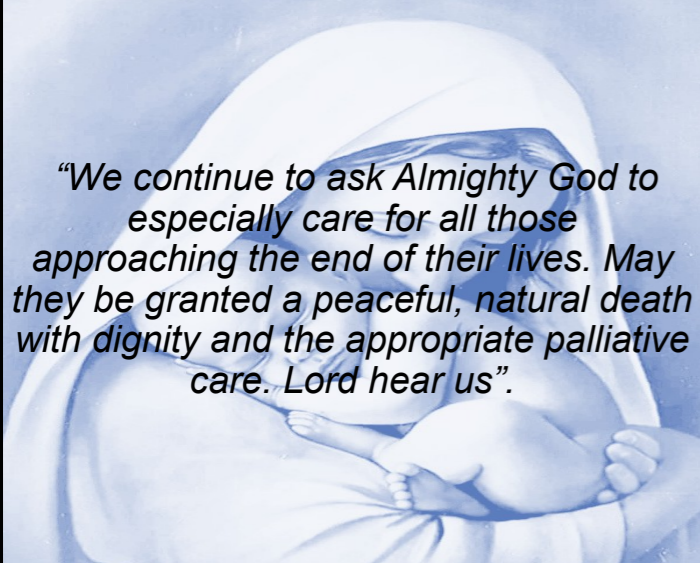
First Holy Communion 2025
 If your child is baptised Catholic and is in Year 4 but does not attend a Catholic School and would like to make their First Holy Communion, please let Mgr. Phil know so that they can join the First Holy Communion Programme here at St Joseph.

Tea and Coffee.
 Tea, coffee and delicious cakes will be available, after the 9.30 am Holy Mass, on the **Second and Fourth Sunday of each month in the Parish Hall.**
 Please come and join us!!



"We continue to ask Almighty God to especially care for all those approaching the end of their lives. May they be granted a peaceful, natural death with dignity and the appropriate palliative care. Lord hear us"



Last weeks Collection.
Total Collection for the last weekend.
 Gift Aid: £402.00
 Loose Plate: £241.36
 Total: £643.36



Thank you all for your wonderful generosity.

MISSION STATEMENT OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF LIVERPOOL
 "Taking to heart the last words of the Lord Jesus, we will go into the world to proclaim the Good News to the whole of Creation"

St Joseph's Catholic Church

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Ist Sunday of Lent
9th March 2025

The Ist Sunday of Lent	9.30 am 5.00 pm	Allan Bolton Anniversary Private Intention
Monday	9.30am 11.00am Funeral Service	People of the Parish David Barlow
Tuesday	No Public Mass	
Wednesday	No Public Mass	
Thursday	9.30 am	Fr Andrew Unsworth
Friday	9.30am	James Geoffrey Talbot Anniversary
Saturday	No public Mass	
2nd Sunday in Lent	9.30 am 5.00 pm	Lynn Eyes Pauline Fowler

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

First Reading	A reading from Deuteronomy 26:4-10
Psalm Response	Be with me, O Lord, in my distress. Ps 91(90): 1-2. 10-11. 12-13. 14-15. R/cf 15b
Second Reading	A reading from: Romans 10:8-13
The Gospel Acclamation	Praise to you O Christ, King of Eternal Glory Glory and praise, O Christ . One does not live on bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God. Praise to you O Christ, King of Eternal Glory
Gospel	A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke. Luke 4: 1-13
Communion Antiphon	One does not live on bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.

First Sunday of Lent

Lent coincides with springtime and in fact, the word itself probably comes from the Old English lencten, meaning the lengthening of the days that occurs in spring.

Spring is the time of new life and it uplifts people's spirit. Lent offers us the possibility to renew the life of the Spirit.

There will be Holy Mass every Friday During Lent at 9.30am

Mission Today Spring Edition now available.
Please take one home. Available at back of church.

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Today. Tomorrow. Together.

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 Peter Banks, Carrie Howard and those who are suffering from a terminal illness remembering also all the patients in Wrightington and Wigan hospital and 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.**

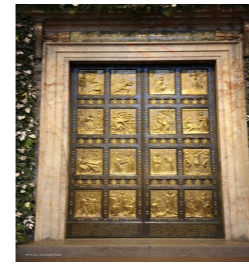
If you or a family member are admitted into the hospital or the hospice please make sure the Catholic Chaplaincy Team, based at Wigan Infirmary, know you are there.

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

Holy Souls

In your charity please pray for Jean O'Connell, Margaret Elstob, Hilda Cunliffe who have recently died, and 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



2025 JUBILEE and HOLY YEAR

Christian patience is the quiet strength trusting in God's timing even when life feels uncertain or challenging.

As we wait with faith, we are reminded that God's plan is always greater than our own and in every moment of waiting He is shaping us for something good.

In this Holy Year Lent, is more than ever, a time for Personal Spiritual and Patience Reflection of our lives.



**Knights of
Columbus®**

The Knights of St Columba

are once again raising funds for their youth and Catholic action work by selling tickets for a sweepstake on the Grand National.

Tickets are £1 each or £5 a book. Please support the work of the Knights by buying a few tickets.

This Is the Last Weekend That Tickets Will Be On Sale.

Flame - 15 March (book tickets now)

Flame is the largest Catholic Youth Event in the country, with 10,000 young people attending the event at Wembley Arena.
More details of the event can be found at cymfed.org.uk/flame.

A coach will leave from Lowe House, St Helens, and return on the same day. Tickets and travel £60. Application forms or more information are available at admin@animateyouth.co.uk