

We welcome into our Catholic community Joshua Joseph Connah who was Baptised this weekend here at St Joseph's.

Keep him and his family in your prayers.

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



### Society for the Protection of the Unborn.

*"We pray for all expectant mothers. We pray for an overwhelming sense of hope and joy to fill their lives, and for increased support to be given by their family, friends and local communities, as the journey through this life changing experience. Lord hear us"*

### Church Cleaning Rota

#### This week Group 2

Thank you to **ALL** our volunteers who help to clean and prepare our church throughout the year.



### Last weeks Collection.

Total Collection for the last weekend.

Gift Aid: £495.00  
Loose Plate: £230.75  
Total: £725.75

Thank you all for your wonderful generosity.



The August edition of the Catholic Pic is available to download here: <https://tinyurl.com/bdypc2ju>

On your electronic copy of your newsletter. Paper copies have been delayed at the moment.

### Pray & Picnic in the Park - Sunday 15 September at 13.30pm

Aid to the Church in Need have organised a Pray & Picnic in the Park event at St John's Gardens, William Brown Street, L1 1HF. This will start with a Rosary, then Mass celebrated by Bishop Tom Neylon, followed by Irish Dancing and a Chinese Workshop and Display, to celebrate Liverpool's culture. Anyone who wishes to join in with this free event is invited to bring along a picnic and something to sit on. For more information, contact Rachel Buckley at [rachel.buckley@acnuk.org](mailto:rachel.buckley@acnuk.org).

### Adoremus - Saturday 21 September

A day of Eucharistic Pilgrimage for the Archdiocese to 'The Met' will be taking place on Saturday 21 September at 9am until 6pm. In advance of the Jubilee Year 2025, and in celebration of this Year of Prayer, we will be celebrating Mass, offering confessions, a time of adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, and a Eucharistic Procession with plenty of time for prayer and reflection. Watch this space for more information over the coming weeks.

### Tea and Coffee.

There will be **NO** Tea and coffee served after the 9.30 am Holy Mass **UNTIL SEPTEMBER**



# St Joseph's Catholic Church

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## Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time. 18th August 2024



Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.30 am 5.00 pm	Marie O'Connor (Anniversary) Michael Hession (R.I.P)
Monday St John Eudes	11.00 am	Funeral Mass Peter Horridge R.I.P
Tuesday St Bernard	No public Mass	
Wednesday St Pious X	No public Mass	
Thursday Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary	9.30 am	Ray Bishop and Family
Friday St Rose of Lima	No public Mass	
Saturday St Bartholomew	No public Mass	
Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.30 am 5.00 pm	J.E Perrins 80th Birthday People of the Parish

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

### Readings for Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time



First Reading	A reading from the second book of Proverbs. Pr 9:1-6
Psalm Response	Taste and See that the Lord is good.
Second Reading	A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians. Eph. 5:15-20
The Gospel Acclamation	Alleluia! Alleluia! The Word was made flesh and lived among us; to all who did accept him he gave power to become children of God. Alleluia!
Gospel	A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John. Jn 6:51-58
Communion Antiphon	With the Lord there is mercy; in him is plentiful redemption.

### 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"

The Archdiocese of Liverpool: Registered Charity No: 1199714

## Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time.



The Eucharistic Prayer is the central prayer of the Mass which is frequently referred to as Eucharist. It is a prayer of thanksgiving, praise, confessing, blessing and acknowledging. It is a Jewish type of prayer and has its origins in the two prayers of thanks which were said over the bread and wine. When he was multiplying the loaves the Lord gave thanks to God his Father. This type of thanks is broader than a simple expression of being grateful. It is what Paul has in mind when he recommends his hearers always to give thanks in psalms, hymns and sacred songs.

The Month of August is dedicated to  
The Immaculate Heart of Mary.



If you ever feel distressed during  
your day, call upon Our Lady, just say  
this simple prayer:

“Mary, Mother of Jesus, please be a  
mother to me now”.

### 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)*

### Sick in our Parish

Please pray the sick of our community, especially  
Pauline Fowler, and remembering 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.



In your charity please pray for all those who have  
recently died especially Peter Horridge,  
Peter Ainscough, Michael Laird 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.

### Date for Your Diary

West Lancashire Deanery Novena

5th November to 13th September 2024

Holy Mass each evening on the following dates  
and times.

- Day 1** Thursday 5th September: St Richards Skelmersdale  
7.00pm
- Day 2** Friday 6th September: St James Orrell  
7.00pm
- Day 3** Saturday 7th September: St John the Evangelist,  
Burscough 7.00pm
- Day 4** Sunday 8th September: St Joseph's, Wrightington  
7.00pm
- Day 5** Monday 9th September: St Elizabeth's, Scarisbrick  
7.00pm
- Day 6** Tuesday 10th September: Our Lady's & All Saints  
Parbold 7.00pm
- Day 7** Wednesday 11th September: St Theresa's, Upholland  
7.00pm
- Day 8** Thursday 12th September: St Marie's Standish  
7.00pm
- Day 9** Friday 13th September: St Anne's, Ormskirk  
7.00pm

We should glory in the the Cross of Our Lord Jesus Christ,  
in whom is our salvation, life and resurrection, through  
whom we are saved and delivered. Cf. Gal 6:14



### Right To Life UK

Liam McArthur MSP has brought forward a Bill to the Scottish  
Parliament that, if it becomes law, will introduce an extreme  
assisted suicide law to Scotland. The Scottish Health, Social  
Care and Sport Committee is currently seeking submissions  
from the public for the consultation they are running on the  
Bill.

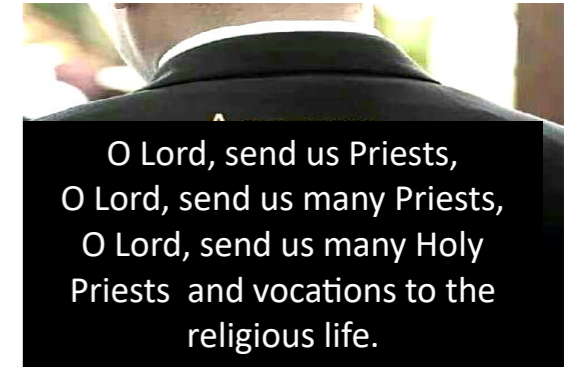
The Committee are seeking views from all members of the  
public, not just those who live in Scotland. **You do not have  
to be from or live in Scotland to make a submission.**

It's vital that as many people as possible submit to the  
consultation to make it clear that there is very strong  
opposition to this extreme Bill. Please visit the Right to Life  
website to submit your opposition using the Easy Action Tool

Thank you for your help on this,

Catherine Robinson

**Right To Life UK**



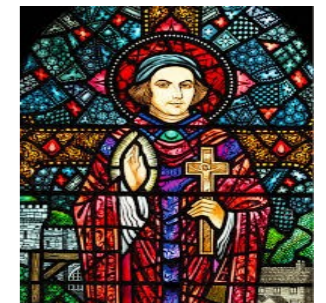
O Lord, send us Priests,  
O Lord, send us many Priests,  
O Lord, send us many Holy  
Priests and vocations to the  
religious life.

### PILGRIMAGE MASS

to the

HOLY HAND of

St. EDMUND ARROWSMITH



CHURCH of

St. OSWALD & St. EDMUND  
ARROWSMITH

LIVERPOOL ROAD,  
ASHTON-IN-MAKERFIELD,

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SUNDAY 25th AUGUST 2023 at  
3.00pm

