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.

"In union with Our Lady of Walsingham, whose feast day we celebrate on Tuesday, we pray for pregnant women who feel they are facing a difficult decision. We ask that they may be given hope, filled with the love of God, and guided away from a course of despair and onto one of love and acceptance of the gift

of life. Lord hear us".

Church Cleaning Rota



This week Group 1

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: £329.00 Loose Plate: £242.90 Total: £571.90

Home Missions £224.56

Thank you all

for your wonderful generosity.



Dates for your Diary!

Fashion Show by Barbara's of Standish

Thursday October 17th run by the Knights of St Columba

Quiz night and Hotpot Supper

Friday 25th October

Rugby Shirt raffle

Tickets on sale from 27th October to be drawn Sunday 24th November.

Christmas Fair

Sunday 8th December

Look out for More details before each event in the future Parish Bulletins.

Hodder Sunday Missals

The new Sunday Missals have been ordered. As soon as they have been delivered we will let you know.

Tea and Coffee.

Tea and Coffee will resume after 9.30am Mass from Sunday 8th September. They will be held on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month.



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 elebrated 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.

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"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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Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time. 22nd September 2024

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in	9.30 am	Kitchen Family
Ordinary Time	5.00 pm	(Anniversary Remembrance) Josie Ennis (S.I)
Monday St Pio of Pietrelcina Priest.	9.30 am	Birthday (M.C)
Tuesday Our Lady of Walsingham	No public Mass	
Wednesday	No public Mass	
Thursday Sts Cosmos & Damian	9.30 am	Thomas O'Donnell (R.I.P)
Friday St Vincent de Paul	No public Mass	
Saturday St Laurence Riz	No public Mass	
Twenty-Sixth Sunday in	9.30 am	People of the Parish
Ordinary Time	5.00 pm	Michael O'Donnell (Birthday & Anniversary Remembrance)

Sacrament of Reconciliation on request.

Please contact the Parish Office or Monsignor Phil.

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A reading from the boo Ws 2:12.17-20
The Lord upholds my li
A reading from the lette Jm 3:16-4:3
Alleluia! Alleluia! I am the light of the wor anyone who follows me will have the light of life Alleluia!
A reading from the Holy Mk 9:30-37
You have laid down you may my ways be firm in

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Sunday in Ordinary Time



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Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

In today's Gospel the disciple's preoccupation is to know who will be the greatest among them. They came to Capernaum. When he was in the house, he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the road?" But they kept quiet because on the way they had argued about who was the greatest. Sitting down, Jesus called the Twelve and said, "Anyone who wants to be first must be the very last, and the servant of all." He took a little child whom he placed among them. Taking the child in his arms, he said to them, "Whoever welcomes one of these little children in my name welcomes me; and whoever welcomes me does not welcome me

but the one who sent me."

We too must be like little children, with a child-like love and commitment to Him.

The Month of September is dedicated to Our Lady of Sorrows.



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".

Sick in our Parish

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



Act of Consecration to Saint Joseph

O dearest Saint Joseph, I consecrate myself to your honour and give myself to you, always be my father, my protector and my guide in the way of salvation. Obtain for me a greater purity of heart and fervent love of the interior life. After your example may I do all my actions for the greater glory of God, in union with the Divine Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary. O Blessed Saint Joseph, pray for me, that I may share in the peace and joy of your holy death.

Amen.

In your charity please pray for all those 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

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Seven Promises to those who meditate on Our Lady's Sorrows as revealed to St. Bridget of Sweden.

- 1. I will grant peace to their families.
- 2. They will be enlightened about the divine Mysteries.

3. I will console them in their pains, and I will accompany them in their work.

4. I will give them as much as they ask for as long as it does not oppose the adorable will of My divine Son or the sanctification of their souls.

5. I will defend them in their spiritual battles with the infernal enemy and I will protect them at every instant of their lives.

6. I will visibly help them at the moment of their death-they will see the face of their Mother.

7. I have obtained this grace from My divine Son, that those who propagate this devotion to My tears and sorrows will be taken directly from this earthly life to eternal happiness, since all their sins will be forgiven, and My Son will be their eternal consolation and joy.

Pray One Our Father, One Hail Mary and one Glory be on each Sorrow. The Seven Sorrows are: 1. The prophecy of Simeon. 2.The flight into Egypt. 3. The loss of the Child Jesus in the temple. 4. The meeting of Jesus on the Way of the Cross. 5.The Crucifixion. 6. The taking down of the Body of Jesus from the Cross. 7.The burial of Jesus.



St John Rigby College

Open Events-Autumn 2024

Saturday 5th October (Open Day) 10.00am to 1.00pm

Thursday 17th October (Open Evening) 4.30pm to 7.30pm

Wednesday 6th November (Open Evening) 4.30pm to 7.30pm

Applications are invited from prospective students by Monday 3rd February 2025



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

Wigan and District Catholic Men's Society's **Annual Rosary Sunday Celebrations**

This year's Rosary Sunday Celebrations, organised by the Wigan and District Catholic Men's Society, will take place on **Sunday 6th October.** Please gather on St Mary's Car Park, Standishgate, for a decade of the Holy Rosary (which starts at 2pm promptly), before the Procession to St Johns for the Service (which includes Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction). Afterwards, refreshments will be available in the Campbell Room. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Hospital Admissions.

If you or a member of your family is admitted to hospital, please remember to ask for access to the

The Knights of St Columba

The Golden Jubilee Dinner Dance, which was originally scheduled for this month, has now been re-scheduled for Friday, 21st February, in Gathurst Golf Club.

Tickets are £40 each and any size of table can be organised, so get your friends together for a good night out. To reserve tickets contact Allan Mitchinson on 07724 998285 or email

allan.mitchinson@btinternet.com. Steve Lester on 07724 076569 or steve.lester@zen.co.uk

The Knights have also organised a fashion show in collaboration with Barbara's of *Standish* in the parish hall on Thursday 17th October. Tickets are £10 including refreshments. To reserve tickets, contact Allan or Steve as above. There are notices at the back of church with more details.