

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.

"This week we will be celebrating the feast days of both St Thérèse of Lisieux and St Francis of Assisi. Let us pray with their powerful intercession for our Government, that their ability to support pregnant women would increase and that they would anchor themselves on the desire to protect all human life. 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: £415.30
Loose Plate: £283.57
Total: £698.87



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.

They will be held on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month. £40.46 raised from our last event.



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.

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Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time. 29th September 2024



Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.30 am 5.00 pm	People of the Parish Michael O'Donnell (Birthday & Anniversary Remembrance)
Monday St Jerome	9.30 am	Eibhlin Thorpe-Smith (R.I.P)
Tuesday St Therese of Lisieux	No public Mass	
Wednesday Guardian Angels	No public Mass	
Thursday	9.30 am	Joseph Talbot (Birthday)
Friday St Francis of Assisi First Friday	9.30 am	Agnes & Jane Corless (Thanksgiving)
Saturday	No public Mass	
Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.30 am 5.00 pm	Edwin Howarth (Anniversary) James & Catherine O'Connell

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

Readings for Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time



First Reading	A reading from the book of Numbers. Num 11:25-29
Psalm Response	The precepts of the Lord gladden my heart.
Second Reading	A reading from the letter of St James. Jm 5:1-6
The Gospel Acclamation	Alleluia! Alleluia! Your word is truth, O Lord, consecrate us in the truth. Alleluia!
Gospel	A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark. Mk 9:38-43.45.47- 48
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.

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"

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Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

We are called to be prophets of God and have the courage to speak on his behalf to a world that has grown deaf and will not hear and to a world that has grown blind and will not see. We are also called to an open-minded attitude that will become the action of those who may not belong to our “inner circle” of faith, realising that the spirit of God can work when and where the Spirit wills.

My Lord and My God!

October the Month of the Rosary.

The word “Rosary” means “Crown of Roses;” every time people say the Rosary devoutly, they place a crown of one hundred and fifty-three roses upon the heads of Jesus and Mary. Each time you say a “Hail Mary” you are giving Her a beautiful rose. St. Louis de Montfort tells the following story about the Jesuit brother, Alphonsus Rodriguez, who used to say his Rosary with such fervour that he often saw a red rose come out of his mouth at each Our Father, and a white rose at each Hail Mary, both equal in beauty and differing only in colour. The chronicles of St. Francis tell of a young friar who had the praiseworthy habit of saying this crown of our Lady every day before dinner. One day, for some reason he did not manage to say it. The refectory bell had already been rung when he asked permission of the Superior to allow him to say it before coming to the table. After which he withdrew to his cell to pray it. After he had been gone a long time, the Superior sent another friar to fetch him, and he found him in his room bathed in a heavenly light in the presence of our Lady and two angels. Beautiful roses kept issuing from his mouth at each Hail Mary, and the two angels were taking them one by one and placing them on our Lady’s head, while she smilingly accepted them. Finally, two other friars who had been sent to find out what had happened to the first two saw the same scene, and our Lady did not leave until the whole Rosary had been said. One day Saint Gertrude had a vision of our Lord counting gold coins. She summoned the courage to ask Him what he was doing, and he answered, “I am counting the Hail Marys that you have said; this is the money with which you purchase Heaven.” This is what Our Lady herself said to Saint Gertrude: “Never has any man composed anything more beautiful than the Hail Mary. No salutation could be dearer to my heart than those beautiful and dignified words that God the Father addressed to me Himself.” Father Dominic, a Carthusian, who was deeply devoted to the holy Rosary, had a vision in which he saw Heaven opened and the whole heavenly court assembled in magnificent array. He heard them sing the Rosary in an enchanting melody, and each decade was in honour of a mystery of the life, passion, or glory of Jesus Christ and his holy Mother. Fr. Dominic noticed that whenever they pronounced the holy name of Mary they bowed their heads, and at the name of Jesus they genuflected and gave thanks to God for the great good he had wrought in heaven and on earth through the holy Rosary. He also saw our Lady and the Saints present to God the Rosaries which the Confraternity members say here on earth. He noticed too that they were praying for those who practice this devotion. He also saw beautiful crowns without number, which were made of sweet-smelling flowers, for those who say the Rosary devoutly. He learned that by every Rosary that they say they make a crown for themselves which they will be able to wear in heaven “I am the Lady of the Rosary. You must say the Rosary every day, and say it properly”. – Our Lady of Fatima

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.



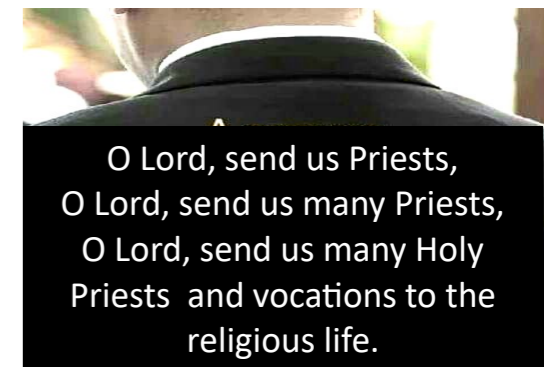
Holy Souls

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



Autumn Edition of Mission Today is now available at back of church. Or can be downloaded <https://search.app/KVAWRn-W4e38JaQYQ8>



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

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 4th 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.

Calling all Brainiacs and would be Masterminds

Quiz Night at St. Joseph’s

Friday October 25th 19:00 for 19:30 start

Venue: The Church Hall

Tickets £10 per person which includes a Hot Pot Supper

If you are working as a team, please come up with a snazzy name!

Bring your own drinks

Tickets can be obtained from Karen and Liz on Sundays and at the coffee mornings. Raffle tickets will be sold on the night.

Cash Prize for the Winners!

St Joseph’s Readers’ Rota

The new readers rota is available this weekend for the St Josephs’ readers. If you are unable to attend Mass on your rota day, please arrange to swop with another reader.

Thank-you

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 Catholic Hospital Chaplain.

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.