

Newsletter for the Parish of Saint Edmund Arrowsmith
Served by the Churches of Sacred Heart and St Joseph

Mass Times, Services and Intentions

Saturday 5th October Weekday in Ordinary Time

St Joseph's	4.30pm	Mass	Jim Gore R.I.P.
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Sunday 6th October Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

St Joseph's	9.30am	Mass	Reginald Squires Birthday Memorial
Sacred Heart	11.00am	Mass	People of the Parish
Sacred Heart	12.30pm	Baptism	Chizaram Olivia Iloehika

Tuesday 8th October Weekday in Ordinary Time

Sacred Heart	12.00pm	Mass	Sick (MH)
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Wednesday 9th October Feast of St John Henry Newman

St Joseph's	12.00pm		No Mass
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Thursday 10th October Weekday in Ordinary Time

Sacred Heart	10.00am	Mass	Special Intention
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Friday 11th October Weekday in Ordinary Time

St Joseph's	12.00pm	Funeral Mass	Chris Hallinan
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Saturday 12th October Weekday in Ordinary Time

St Joseph's	1.30pm	Wedding Service	Christopher Lawrance and Robyn Chapman
St Joseph's	4.30pm	Mass	Mary Fildes Anniversary

Sunday 13th October Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

St Joseph's	9.30am	Mass	Jim Reynolds R.I.P.
Sacred Heart	11.00am	Mass	Barry Scotson Anniversary



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27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
6th October 2024



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Food for thought

Worry is a common experience in life, especially during uncertain times. Broken relationships, separation, divorce etc. are usually traumatic experiences for all people who have to deal with it - including children. Many people find themselves in such situations and are very often heartbroken. We reach out to them in compassion and pray that they feel the warm embrace of the Lord and His people. Today's Gospel tells us about how God intended marriage to be - and we hear how parents brought their children to Jesus, wanting Him to lay his hands upon them - even though the disciples wanted to shield Jesus from noisy children! There is something in children that opens our hearts, a combination of helplessness - dependence - innocence - vulnerability - simplicity - playfulness. Jesus showed His delight at the little ones and demonstrated that God's love has ample room for everyone. As we grow with age, whatever hurts we may carry through life, whenever anxiety grips our hearts, may we never lose the trust and humility which draws us into the loving, healing presence of the Lord.

Praise Him!

Sick and Housebound

We hold in prayer all who are sick in body, mind or spirit and those who care for them:

**Vera Seventi,
Carol Greenhalgh,
Mary Griffin
Sean Fleming,
Craig Hardman,
Kitty Jones,
Doreen Hayes,
Eileen Hynes
Mary Barnes
Archbishop Patrick Kelly
James Allen
Kathleen Holland
John Mulligan
Marian Hindley
Bernice Ganley
Pauline Woods
Eileen Midgley
Tommy Nuttall
Mark Tomlinson
Iris McKiernan
Hugo (newborn)
Joseph Langin
Kathleen Holland**

May the risen Lord embrace them with healing love.

The Rosary

This week, the Rosary will be prayed after the midday Mass on Tuesday.



Recently Deceased

We pray for those whose have died, especially

**Chris Hallinan,
John Ford**

and those whose anniversary occur at this time, may the peace of our risen Lord Jesus enfold us all.

Pope Francis October Prayer Intention For a Shared Mission

We pray that the Church continue to sustain in all ways a Synodal lifestyle, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, the communion and the mission shared among priests, religious and lay people.

Baptisms

We celebrate with

Chizaram Olivia Iloehika

and her family who will be baptised this weekend.

We hold them in our love and prayers.

Christmas Cards

Religious Christmas Cards, Calendars & Diaries will be on sale at the 4.30pm and 9.30am Masses from this weekend.

Acknowledged with Thanks

The S.V.P. are very grateful for your kindness in the recent second collection.

They collected **£490.**

Many thanks for your generosity.

There will be no Mass on **Wednesday** at St Joseph's Church as Fr. Kieran has a Lancashire Infirm Secular Clergy Fund AGM meeting at Garstang.

CAFOD HARVEST FAST DAY

Friday 4th October

This Harvest, your donations will help support people like Daniel, a young man in the Democratic Republic of Congo. Daniel said, "we grew up in a life that is not easy. It was struggling all the time." However, by joining a local carpentry training project funded by CAFOD, Daniel now has his own workshop. By giving to the Harvest appeal you will be funding training, tools and safe spaces to help people learn new skill and continue their God-given potential.

Please take a CAFOD envelope and return it by **Sunday 6th October**. If you are a tax payer, please consider gift aiding your donation.

Prayer and Fasting for the Holy Land

Pope Francis has called for a Day of Prayer and Fasting on Monday 7th October, the one-year anniversary of the outbreak of the Israel-Hamas war. "In this dramatic hour of our history," the Pope said, "while the winds of war and the fires of violence continue to devastate entire peoples and nations," the Christian community is reminded of its call to "put itself at the service of humanity".

On Monday 7th October, at the Metropolitan Cathedral there will be the Holy Rosary at 4.30pm. At 5.00pm Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Malcolm McMahon. All are welcome to pray for peace in the Holy Land.

Parish Christmas Fair

The year's Parish Christmas Fair will be held on **Saturday 30th November 1.00pm** in the Sodality Hall (Mather Room). More details will follow in the next few weeks. Fr. Kieran is very grateful to those parishioners who have come together to form a Christmas Fair Committee to plan and organise it.

They are also organising a Christmas Raffle.

Children's Corner

**What often falls but does not get hurt?
Rain!**

**What has everyone seen been will never see again?
Yesterday?**



Sanctuary Lamps

This week our Sanctuary Lamp will shine at Sacred Heart Church: and St Joseph's Church: for the Work of CAFOD