

Mass Times, Services and Intentions

Saturday 28th September Weekday in Ordinary Time

St Joseph's	4.30pm	Mass	Sandra Smith R.I.P.
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Sunday 29th September Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

St Joseph's	9.30am	Mass	Elizabeth & Kevin O'Rourke
Sacred Heart	11.00am	Mass	Tom & Kath Sharratt 50th Wedding Anniversary
Sacred Heart	12.30pm	Baptism	Melvin and Lewis Nze

Tuesday 1st October Memorial of St Teresa of the Child Jesus, Virgin & Doctor

Sacred Heart	12.00pm	Mass	Ben Natividad
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Wednesday 2nd October Memorial of the Guardian Angels

St Joseph's	12.00pm	Mass	John & Theresa Ryder
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Thursday 3rd October Weekday in Ordinary Time

Sacred Heart	10.00am		No Mass
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Friday 4th October Memorial of St Francis of Assisi

St Joseph's	9.30am	Mass	Jonathan Hogg
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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 Church
Walmsley Road
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26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
29th September 2024

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Mon, Wed & Fri
9.30am—4.00pm

Food for thought

*The word of God today tells us that we have to learn to recognise that God works through all kinds of people not just a chosen few. St Teresa of Calcutta (Mother Teresa) once said: **Wherever there is love, there is God for God is love.** Today Jesus is calling us to ponder on just how tolerant we are of others with different beliefs to ours. We may have differences, but we must learn to respect our differences and treasure our own faith. We can also be dismissive of the good someone else is doing simply because it is not the way we would have done it, forgetting that the Holy Spirit works in many different ways. Jesus reminds us that building His Kingdom is not about territories, but it's about love. The opposite of love is jealousy, envy, fear and suspicion etc. This is something we're all capable of, and very often shows itself when we feel insecure or threatened, just like it did with the disciple's in today's Gospel. God's generosity is so great that He freely offers His love to all people of every race and religion. We were created in love, so that we could grow in love day by day – looking out for each other's needs. May we try to be 'angels of light' sowing hope, spreading our faith and rejoicing when we see anyone doing good in His name - whatever their religion or race might be. 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
John Forde
Tommy Nuttall
Mark Tomlinson
Iris McKiernan
Hugo (newborn)
Joseph Langin
Kathleen Holland**

May the risen Lord embrace them with healing love.

The Rosary

During October, the Rosary will be prayed after Mass on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. It will be led by the Legion of Mary.

Recently Deceased

We pray for those whose have died, especially

Chris Hallinan

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.

Christmas Cards

Religious Christmas Cards, Calendars & Diaries will be on sale at the 4.30pm and 9.30am Masses from the 5th October.



Ponder the Gift of the Rosary

The Rosary has been a powerful instrument of prayer down through the centuries. Mary speaks to us not from book

learning, but from human experience. During the month of October let us ponder in a special way the wonder and riches of the rosary, so that it may enrich our lives and with Mary's help lead us closer to her beloved Son.

*And Mary said: My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord.
Luke 1:46*

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.

Baptisms

We celebrate with Melvin and Lewis Nze and their family who will be baptised this weekend. We hold them in our love and prayers.

St Joseph's Players Present A Murder is Announced!

By Agatha Christy
Directed by Barbara Mayers
Tuesday 1st October -
Saturday 5th October
7.30pm
St Joseph's Hall, Chapel St, Leigh
Tickets Adults £10 Under 16s £5

Children's Corner

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

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



Pope Francis

We hold in our prayers Pope Francis as he journeys to Luxembourg and Belgium with a message of peace for them and through them for the whole world.

Animate Youth Lourdes Pilgrimage

Applications forms for the Archdiocesan Lourdes Youth Pilgrimage 2025 will go online on the 7th October. If you are a young person who is interested, please apply online at liverpool Lourdes youth.co.uk
The dates for the pilgrimage is July 23rd - August 1st
For ages 15 -22 (or in year 10)
For more info Tel 01744 740461

Sanctuary Lamps

This week our Sanctuary Lamp will shine at Sacred Heart Church:
and St Joseph's Church:
for **All the sick of the Parish**