

Mass Times, Services and Intentions

Saturday 27th January Weekday in Ordinary Time

St Joseph's	4.30pm	Mass	Jim Reynolds R.I.P.
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Sunday 28th January 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

St Joseph's	9.30am	Mass	Paul Unsworth R.I.P.
Sacred Heart	11.00am	Mass	Clara Brierley R.I.P.

Monday 29th January Weekday in Ordinary Time

Sacred Heart	12.00pm	Mass	Thanksgiving
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Tuesday 30th January Memorial of St John Bosco, Priest and Doctor

Sacred Heart	11.30am	Exposition	
Sacred Heart	12.00pm	Mass	People of the Parish & Special Intention

Wednesday 31st January

St Joseph's	10.15am	Mass	Barbara Pownall R.I.P.
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Thursday 1st February

Sacred Heart	10.00am		NO MASS
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Friday 2nd February Feast of the Presentation of the Lord

St Joseph's	9.30am	Mass	Anthony Peter Short R.I.P.
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Saturday 3rd February Weekday in Ordinary Time

St Joseph's	4.30pm	Mass	Kathleen McArt R.I.P.
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Sunday 4th February Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

St Joseph's	9.30am	Mass	Eveline Donohue R.I.P.
Sacred Heart	11.00am	Mass	Betchupi Rosaire
Sacred Heart	12.30pm	Baptism	Bobby Joel Michael Belshaw

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



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**28th January 2024
4th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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Food for Thought

In the first line of the Reading from St Paul today he says "I would like to see you free from all worry". While being anxious and worried are normal feelings for everyone, constant worry is not healthy. Very often in life we can be knocked down by the hurts other people can inflict upon us - by their actions in what they say or do and sometimes, it can be as difficult to recover from these knocks as a physical illness. The Word of God today reminds us of the healing, authoritative power of the Lord. There are so many people sick with coughs, colds and flu at the moment and have visited the doctor or even been admitted to hospital to get better. Thanks be to God that we have surgeries and hospitals to go to! Yet, there is another doctor - Jesus - He can and will, help you to get spiritually better. So, how and where do you go to meet him? You can meet him anytime you turn to him in prayer, but his special surgery times are the sacraments, especially the Mass! When you're feeling anxious, try this challenge... love more... forgive more... trust more... worry less and leave the rest in the Lord's hands. Remember... worrying about tomorrow, steals the joy from today.

Praise Him!

Recently Deceased

We pray for those whose have died especially,

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

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,
Baby Roman Bleu Emery,
Doreen Hayes,
Sr. Megan
Nellie Flynn
Mary Barnes
Archbishop Patrick Kelly
Catherine Peaty
Sandra Smith
George Cartledge
Pat Avery
James Allen
Kathleen Holland
John Mulligan
Anthony Michael
Marian Hindley
Ann Mitchell (Shovelton)

May the Lord embrace them with healing love.

Confirmations 2024

Any young person who is in year 8 or above, have made their First Holy Communion and would like to receive the **Sacrament of Confirmation** can register for Sacramental preparation at www.liverpoolcalled.co.uk.

The website for registration opens on 15th January and closes on the 15th March.

While the registration period is open, Animate will visit schools in the diocese to promote the Sacrament. At the same time schools will teach about the Sacrament of Confirmation in RE classes.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available before the 4.30pm Mass on Saturdays.

Pope Francis January Prayer Intention

Let us pray that the Holy Spirit helps us recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community, and to discover the richness of different ritual traditions in the heart of the Catholic Church.

FCJ Sisters

A Vocations Weekend for Women (20s & 30s) is being organized by the FCJ sisters, (Faithful Companions of Jesus). It will take place on 16-18 February 2024, Liverpool.

The theme:

Discerning God's Call in your life

For more information contact Sr Lynne fcj at fcjvocationeurope@gmail.com or visit their website www.fcjsisters.org

St Joseph's Players' 2024 Pantomime CINDERELLA

Wednesday 24th January -
Saturday 3rd February 2024

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 7.15pm
All Matinees: 1pm and Saturday evening: 6.15pm

Tickets are still available on:
www.ticketsource.co.uk/st-josephs-players

Group Bookings for 10 and over
07907 880308

Praying with St Teresa of Avila

Immerse yourself in the life and spirituality of the much-loved Carmelite saint, Teresa of Avila, over a weekend set in the beautiful Stonyhurst estate. The retreat will be preached by Fr Matthew Blake, OCD and runs from Fri 8th - 10th March.

Visit <https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/praying-with-saint-teresa/> to book and for more information.

Children's Corner

**What do you get when you cross Dracula with Sir Lancelot?
A bite in shining armour!**

**What can run but can't walk?
Water!**



Racial Justice Sunday

It's important to recognise that we are all children of God, regardless of our race and background. In a world steeped in violence, conflict, and discrimination, the Gospel demands that we acknowledge the dignity of the human person, the necessity of building peace, prosperity, justice for all.

PRAYER

We pray for all those whose hearts are broken and are crushed in spirit because of their experience of racial discrimination.

May those in authority use their position to serve the people well and build a community where injustice and division will give way to justice, peace, freedom and love.

Amen.



Sanctuary Lamps

This week our Sanctuary Lamp will shine at

Sacred Heart Church for

The Holy Land

At St Joseph's for

The Ukraine