

Mass Times, Services and Intentions

Saturday 18th October *Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

St Joseph's	4.30pm	Mass	Sandra and Philip Newton
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Sunday 19th October *Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

St Joseph's	9.30am	Mass	Ronald Joseph Kenwright Anniversary
Sacred Heart	11.00am	Mass	Special Intention (KJ)
St Joseph's	12.30pm	Baptisms	Arabella Aoife Hilton & Arabella Oghosa Ehichioya-Agbonkhese

Tuesday 21st October *Week in Ordinary Time*

Sacred Heart	11.30am	Rosary	
Sacred Heart	12.00pm	Mass	Peter O'Sullivan R.I.P. and grieving family

Wednesday 22nd October *Week in Ordinary Time*

St Joseph's	11.30am	Rosary	
St Joseph's	12.00pm	Mass	Vincent Ganley Anniversary

Thursday 23rd October *Week in Ordinary Time*

Sacred Heart	10.00am	Mass	Philip Coffey Anniversary
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Friday 24th October *Week in Ordinary Time*

St Joseph's	9.30am	Mass	Thanksgiving & Wedding Anniversary
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Saturday 25th October *Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

St Joseph's	4.30pm	Mass	Annie Garvey
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Sunday 26th October *Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

St Joseph's	9.30am	Mass	Brenda Byrne
Sacred Heart	11.00am	Mass	People of the Parish

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



Sacred Heart Church
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29th Sunday of Ordinary Time
19th October 2025

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Food for thought!

The Word of God today tells us about the *necessity of praying and not giving up*. When it feels like prayers are going unanswered it can be tempting to give up. But prayer isn't about immediate results, it's about faith, persistence and a relationship with the Lord. Just as seeds take time to grow, the answers we seek often come in ways we don't expect. When Jesus tells the parable of the widow persevering in her demands for justice, He is offering His listeners (and us) an image of what perseverance in prayer really means. There is always a challenge that comes with being a Christian – and it's in facing that challenge that we grow stronger and more faith-filled! Persistence in prayer is not about changing God's mind but allowing our hearts to trust in Him. Every whispered prayer, every tearful plea, and every quiet moment of hope builds a connection with the One who hears it all.
Praise Him!

Recently Deceased

We pray for those who have died,

John Moffitt

Marie Morris

Lesley Anne Morley

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:

James Allen

Patricia Case

Sheila Crawley

Sean Fleming

Marian Hindley

Kitty Jones

Iris McKiernan

Dennis O'Halloran

Kathleen Starbuck

Deacon Dennis Vint

Pauline Woods

Deacon Bernard Worden

May the risen Lord embrace them with healing love.

Baptism

Congratulations to the parents of

Arabella Aoife Hilton &

Arabella Oghosa Ehichioya-Agbonkhese

who celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism this weekend.

Family of Parishes Walk

Thanks to all who came and joined us on the Family of Parishes Walk at Haigh Hall.

Pope Leo's

October Prayer Intention

For collaboration between different religious traditions.

Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice and human fraternity.

Pious Lists

Envelopes are now available at the back of church. All the names will be placed on the altar during the month of November, the month of the Holy souls.

October: The month of the Holy Rosary A Message from

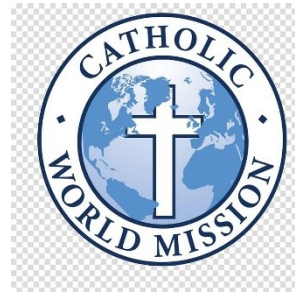
Archbishop John Sherrington

As the community of the archdiocese, I invite each and all of you to pray the Holy Rosary each day during the month of October, for your families and your parish communities and for the gift of peace in the world. I hope that each of us will be especially united with the Holy Father in his prayer for peace.

This week the Rosary will be prayed before midday Mass on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Christmas Cards

Christmas Cards, Religious Christmas Cards, Calendars & Diaries will be on sale at the 4.30pm, 9.30am and 11.00pm Masses from this weekend.



This weekend's Second Collection

This week's Second Collection is for World Mission.

It is the one Sunday in the year when the global Church is invited to join in prayer and giving, helping missionaries to bring hope and healing to those in greatest need. Last year, the Archdiocese of Liverpool raised **£18,929** for World Mission Sunday; thank you for your generosity!

Prayer Poem

When faith feels thin and hope runs dry
and all you have is one more sigh,
Still let that breath become a plea
God's listening still - though you can't see.
For every seed that's sown in faith
will bloom in time in God's own grace

Stand in prayer
when you can't see your way
Stand in prayer
when you have a difficult day.
Stand in prayer because Hope always springs
Stand in prayer and His comfort He'll bring.

So press on still, though slow the pace,
For God responds in love and grace.
Each waiting hour, each whispered word
is not in vain - it's always heard.
Persist in prayer - don't let it cease
and you will find His perfect peace.

Twelve Apostles Walsingham Pilgrimage Easter 2026 6th — 9th April

Anyone wishing to go the annual pilgrimage to Walsingham, please contact
Theresa Thompson:
07780 064502

An opportunity to celebrate Mass with Archbishop John

Archbishop John Sherrington will be visiting each deanery over the coming months to celebrate Mass with parishioners and meet them. He will be visiting our deanery on:

Tuesday 21st October 7pm at
St John's Church and

**Thursday 30th October 7pm -
St Joseph's Church, Mather Lane,
Leigh WN7 2PR.**

There will be tea/coffee after each mass and the archbishop will stay to meet people. Please do take the opportunity to meet with him and share your thoughts, concerns and hopes for our churches.

Sanctuary Lamps

This week our Sanctuary Lamp will shine for:

World Mission Sunday
at St Joseph's Church
and

**All who are suffering
because of war**
at Sacred Heart Church