

Mass Times, Services and Intentions

Saturday 13th September *Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross*

St Joseph's	4.30pm	Mass	Doris Pendlebury Anniversary
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Sunday 14th September *Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross*

St Joseph's	9.30am	Mass	Betty & Tom Kennedy Birthday Memorial
Sacred Heart	11.00am	Mass	All Sick & Lonely in the Parish

Tuesday 16th September *Memorial of Ss Cornelius and Cyprian*

Sacred Heart	12.00pm	Mass	Special Intention (AW)
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Wednesday 17th September *Week in Ordinary Time*

St Joseph's	9.00am		St Joseph's School Mass of Welcome
St Joseph's	12.00pm	Mass	Special Intention of Successful Treatment & Cure

Thursday 18th September *Week in Ordinary Time*

Sacred Heart	10.00am	Mass	Special Intention
12A School	1.45pm		Twelve Apostles School Mass of Welcome

Friday 19th September *Week in Ordinary Time*

St Joseph's	9.30am	Mass	Prayers Answered
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Saturday 20th September *Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

St Joseph's	4.30pm	Mass	Ann & Peter M Harman RIP
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Sunday 21st September *Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

St Joseph's	9.30am	Mass	Margaret Baxter RIP
Sacred Heart	11.00am	Mass	Eileen Hynes RIP

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



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Food for thought!

In today's Gospel we hear how God in his infinite love, chose not to leave humanity in darkness or despair, but gave us Jesus, not to destroy, but to redeem, not to cast humanity aside, but to draw us closer and restore us. Through Jesus, God stepped into our world offering forgiveness and new life. God reveals His heart - a loving Father longing to rescue His children and offer eternal life to all who believe. As we reflect on the truth that Jesus didn't come to condemn but to save, let us try to carry this hope into our daily lives. Every moment becomes an opportunity to embrace this and to extend it to others.

On this feast of the Exaltation of the Cross we unite any struggles we may have with the Lord, knowing His sacrifice has brought us life, hope and peace. May the sign of the Cross strengthen our faith, deepen our love, and lead us into the hope of eternal life.

Recently Deceased

We pray for those who have died,
especially
Susan Hart
Anne Broad
Karen Graham
Donald Battersby
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:
Kathleen Starbuck
Patricia Case
Marion Hindley
Pauline Woods
Dennis O'Halloran
Sean Fleming
James Allen
Kitty Jones
Iris McKernin

DISABILITY AWARENESS SUNDAY 28th SEPT

This year's theme reminds us that
every person, disabled or not, reflects
the image of God. If you would like to
join in prayer for Disability Awareness
Sunday, visit our 24/7 Prayer page.
[www.throughtheroof.org/
forchurches/disability-awareness-
sunday/](http://www.throughtheroof.org/forchurches/disability-awareness-sunday/)

Pope Leo's September Prayer Intention

For our relationship with all creation.

**So let us pray that, inspired by St Francis,
we might experience our inter
dependence with all creatures who are
loved by God, and worthy of love and
respect.**



Education Sunday

Education Sunday is that special time
of year when we celebrate and
support our Catholic schools.
Coinciding with the beginning of the
academic year, it is an opportunity
for us to give thanks for the
important work that our schools
perform, and to acknowledge the
commitment of thousands of
teachers, support staff, governors
and directors who play such a crucial
role in making our schools among the
most successful in the country.

Second Collection

Today's second collection will be for
Catholic Education Services.



As Pilgrims of Hope, we reflect on God's
love shown through Jesus. His desire has
never been to
condemn but to heal.

He didn't send His Son to blame,
to point at hearts with guilt and shame.
He came instead with forgiving grace
His mercy shining through His face.

The world was lost in sin and night
But Christ stepped in, the perfect light.
No word of wrath, no voice of scorn
But healing hands when hope was torn.

Where sin had left its shame and pain
He came to heal, to cleanse the stain.
And in His love, we find our place
Redeemed, restored by boundless grace.

Music Youth Ministry

We are looking for anyone who is in year 9 to
age 25 to be part of Animate's new Youth
Music Ministry. Everyone can offer
something; you are fine to attend as you are.
For more info email
admin@animateyouth.co.uk

ANIMATE YOUTH

Lourdes Youth Pilgrimage 2026 – Join Coach 6!

Young people (aged 15–22) from
**Warrington, Widnes and Leigh
parishes and schools** are warmly
invited to join the **Archdiocesan
Lourdes Youth Pilgrimage**, taking
place **22nd – 31st July 2026**.

This is a wonderful opportunity to
travel with other young people, grow
in faith, make lifelong friends, and
serve the assisted pilgrims who
journey to Lourdes.

- **Cost:** £720 (Early Bird Discount:
£670 if applied before 20th October)
Fundraising opportunities will be
available to help reduce costs.

- **Deposit:** £100 at time of
application

Includes: Travel, 7 nights' hotel
accommodation, all meals, insurance,
and pilgrimage t-shirts
Application forms are available online
from Monday 15th September,
please visit
www.liverpool Lourdes youth.co.uk or
see the posters at the back of church.

Sanctuary Lamps

This week our Sanctuary Lamp
will shine for:

Protection Of Life

at St Joseph's Church
and

Education Sunday—Our Schools
at Sacred Heart Church