#### Mass Times, Services and Intentions

|              |         | S            | atura                     | lay 28th June                           |
|--------------|---------|--------------|---------------------------|---|
| St Joseph's  | 4.30pm  | Mass         |                           | Melvin & Kieran Moss R.I.P              |
|              | Sı      | ınday 29th . | June 1                    | The Solemnity of SS Peter and Paul      |
| St Joseph's  | 9.30am  | 30am Mass    |                           | Winifred Eccles Anniversary             |
| Sacred Heart | 11.00am | Mass         |                           | Beatrice Fletcher R.I.P                 |
|              | Τι      | iesday 1st J | uly W                     | Veekday in Ordinary Time                |
| Sacred Heart | 12.00pm |              |                           | Celebration of the Word and Communion   |
|              | ı       | Vednesday    | 2nd J                     | uly Weekday in Ordinary Time            |
| St Joseph's  | 12.00pm | Mass         |                           | Christian Flynn Birthday Memorial       |
|              |         | Thursday     | 3rd J                     | uly Feast of St Thomas                  |
| Sacred Heart | 12.00pm | Funeral Mass |                           | David Monks                             |
|              |         | Friday 4th   | July                      | Weekday in Ordinary Time                |
| St Joseph's  | 9.30am  | Mass         |                           | Kathleen Hart R.I.P                     |
|              |         | Saturday 5   | th Jul                    | ly Weekday in Ordinary Time             |
| St Joseph's  | 11.00am | 11.50am      |                           | Sacrament of Reconciliation & Adoration |
| St Joseph's  | 12.00pm | Mass         |                           | Loss of a Mother                        |
| St Joseph's  | 4.30pm  | Mass         |                           | Sandra Newton Anniversary               |
|              | Sunda   | y 6th July   | Fourt                     | eenth Sunday of Ordinary Time           |
| St Joseph's  | 9.30am  | Mass         |                           | John Pendlebury Anniversary             |
| Sacred Heart | 11.00am | Mass         | Joseph Garvey Anniversary |   |

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



# The Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul 29th June 2025



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## Food for thought!

Throughout the history of the Church, Saints Peter and Paul along with Mary our Mother, stand out as two of the most powerful witnesses to the Christian Faith. Though different in background and temperament their lives reflect a shared commitment to the Lord. They showed bold evangelisation and unwavering perseverance in the face of suffering. Although Peter and Paul weren't perfect, they didn't give up. They trusted in God, stepped out of their comfort zones, and shared their faith with courage. In today's Gospel Jesus asks His disciples "Who do you say I am"? It's the same question He asks us today. As Christians we are invited to answer that question not just with our lips, but with our lives. If He is our Lord, then we are called to follow Him with courage, hope and love. We are reminded that God can use anyone - no matter our doubts, or fears, each one of us can be a light in the world. Just as He transformed Peter and Paul, the Lord can transform us. Any weaknesses we have He can turn into strength – any fear into courage and any doubt into unshakable faith.

Praise Him!

#### **Recently Deceased**

We pray for those whose have died, **David Monks** 

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

#### **Annual Lourdes Mass**

Sunday 13th July at 5.00pm at the Metropolitan Cathedral

Traditionally, our pilgrimage family gathers for a Departure Mass a few weeks before we travel. This year, we'd like to reimagine that celebration as a Diocesan Lourdes Mass, open to all. During this special liturgy, lanterns currently journeying around our deaneries —accompanied by opportunities for parishioners to write petitions — will be presented. These petitions will be taken to Lourdes on behalf of our diocesan family.

# This week's Second Collection: 'Peters Pence'

Peter's Pence is the name for the financial support offered by the faithful to the Holy Father as a sign of their sharing in the concern of the Successor of Peter for the many different needs of the Universal Church, and for the relief of those most in need.

Next week's Second Collection:
Priests in Retirement

#### **Holy Father's Prayer Intention for June**

That the world might grow in compassion
Let us pray that each one of us might find
consolation in a personal relationship with
Jesus, and from his Heart, learn to have
compassion on the world.

#### R.C.I.A

Several people have already expressed the wish to be received fully into the Church at the Easter Vigil 2026. If you know of anyone else who wants to explore this possibility (maybe you're a Catholic who's never been confirmed or maybe you come to Sacred Heart or St Joseph's each week with family or friend but you're not a Catholic) then please contact Fr Kieran or leave contact details at the Parish Office.

We hold in prayer all who are sick in body, mind and spirit.
May they experience the loving embrace of Jesus.

## **Sanctuary Lamps**

This week our Sanctuary Lamp will shine for:

Pope Leo XIV

at St Joseph's Church and

Archbishop John Sherrington at Sacred Heart Church

#### Saint Peter and Saint Paul

The message of the Gospel is the greatest news the world has ever received – a message of hope, redemption and eternal life. May each one of us like Saints Peter and Paul spread that message to a world longing for purpose and peace.

Two men, one mission, paths not the same,
Both touched by the Lord, both called by name.
Peter led the Church with guiding hand
Paul took the Word to many a land.

Saints Peter and Paul, so bold and true Pray for hearts both old and new. That we may walk the road you trod Our lives reflecting our love of God.

Peter and Paul two servants true Chosen by the Lord, with work to do. Both said 'yes' to follow God's plan And now the Lord asks us: "Who do **YOU** say I am"



# Tea and Coffee Tea and Coffee will be available after today's 11.00am Mass



#### St Joseph's Players Present

THE ODD COUPLE

By Neil Simon
15th-19th July.
Curtain Up at 7.30
Tickets: £12 for Adults and £6 for
Children
Tickets can be purchased on the
door or via

<u>www.ticketsource.co.uk/st-josephs</u> <u>-players</u>

#### **Sick and Housebound List**

If your name or the name of a friend or relative of yours is on the parish list of prayers for those who are sick, and you would like that name to remain on the list, would you please contact the Parish Office 01942 673517 and speak to either Jacqui or Anne.

We need to make sure that you or your friend or family member has consented to their name being on that list. This is because the list can be seen by a lot of people, as it is available at the back of church and is also published on the Leigh Catholic Churches website.

In a couple of weeks' time, the list will be restarted with the names of all for whom the parish have consent. This is necessary to make sure the church takes proper care of your information and complies with current data protection law.