

Mass Times, Services and Intentions

Saturday 6th June *Week 9 in Ordinary Time*

St Joseph's	11.00am	-	Reconciliation & Adoration
St Joseph's	12.00pm	Mass	Paul's Exam Success

Saturday 6th June *The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ*

St Joseph's	4.30pm	Mass	Lythgoe Family Anniversary
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Sunday 7th June *The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ*

St Joseph's	9.30am	Mass	Karen Roberts
Sacred Heart	11.00am	Mass	Christopher Ryan Anniversary

Tuesday 9th June *Week 10 in Ordinary Time*

Sacred Heart	12.00pm	Mass	Recovery from Illness (especially Phil)
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Wednesday 10th June *Week 10 in Ordinary Time*

St Joseph's	12.00pm	Mass	Ann Harman Anniversary
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Thursday 11th June *Memorial of St Barnabas*

St Joseph's	1.30pm	Funeral Mass	Patricia Case
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Friday 12th June *Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus*

Sacred Heart	10.00am	Mass	Maureen Dalton 90th Birthday
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Saturday 13th June *Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time*

St Joseph's	4.30pm	Mass	Dennis Vint RIP
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Sunday 14th June *Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time*

St Joseph's	9.30am	Mass	Thomasz Glogowokie & Kocon Families
Sacred Heart	11.00am	Mass	Elzbieta Jaszczak

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



Sacred Heart Church
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The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ
Sunday 7th June 2026

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Mon, 9am—4.30pm **St J**
Wed, 10am—2pm **SH**
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Food for thought!

When we are trying to help someone who is suffering, it can be difficult to try and find the right words to say. Words, as we know, can be powerful, but in critical situations they often fail us. Throughout His ministry here on earth, Jesus spoke words of God's love. He spoke words of forgiveness, challenge, and strength. His words, like all words, had a certain power. His words stirred hearts, healed people, and affected conversations, but sometimes what words can't accomplish a silent embrace can and that is what we receive in the Eucharist. In today's Gospel we hear Jesus talking about Himself being the 'living bread' that came down from Heaven. His teachings tell us that whoever comes to Him will never truly hunger. On this special feast day, we celebrate with deep thankfulness this gift - given by Jesus - of Himself. As St John explains, He gave His own life offered for the world, showing His deep love and desire to nourish us. When we receive the Eucharist; it's the sacred embrace where God and humanity meet – it's His heavenly embrace reaching into our everyday lives – quiet, faithful and filled with love. How blest we are!

Praise Him!



Recently Deceased

We pray for those who have died

Patricia Case

Michael J Fox

John Brian Ridyard

Irena Clement

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

Nuala Conroy

Brother John Dawson SCJ

Sean Fleming

Marian Hindley

Brenda Jones

Kitty Jones

Iris McKiernan

John Mulligan

Josie Newell

Barbara Wilkinson

May the risen Lord embrace them with healing love.

The Society of St Vincent de Paul

This weekend's second collection will be for the **SVP**. Please give generously, so that they can continue their work of helping those who are in most need.

Sanctuary Lamps

This week our Sanctuary Lamp will shine for:

Those far from loved ones

at St Joseph's Church
and

Our Care Homes

at Sacred Heart Church

The Pope's Intention for June:

For the Values of Sports

Let us pray that sports be an instrument of peace, encounter, and dialogue among cultures and nations, and that they promote values such as respect, solidarity, and personal growth.

Sacred Heart of Jesus

June is the month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, fount of love and mercy, so think of ways you can try and become closer to Him and more like Him in the next few weeks. For example, keep your bedroom tidy for Mum and Dad, buy your husband/wife/family/friend a little gift that says I love you, offer Sanctuary Lamp intentions for loved ones birthdays/anniversary, donate to SVP/CAFOD to help someone worse off than yourself etc.

Sacrament of Confirmation

Young people from the Parishes of St Catherine and All Saints, St Lewis, St John Rigby, St Margaret Clitherow and St Edmund Arrowsmith will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation from Bishop Tom Neylon, on Wednesday at 7pm, at St Catherine and All Saints Church, Golborne. Please keep all our young people in your prayers.

Mothers' Prayers Meeting

The next Mothers' Prayers Meeting will be held on Monday, at 10.30am, in St Joseph's Presbytery. All Mothers and Grandmothers welcome.

Summer Raffle

This year instead of the Summer Fair we are having a Summer Raffle. Tickets will be on sale before and after the weekend Masses from **6th June**. Raffle Tickets are **£2** a strip, with **five** chances to win great prizes.

The raffle will be drawn on **5th July**. We are also collecting unwanted and good quality gifts and bottles suitable for a raffle prize.

Please leave them in the sacristy at St Joseph's Church or in the porch at Sacred Heart Church.

Your continued support is greatly appreciated!



Message from CAFOD

We are deeply grateful to all the parishioners at St Edmund Arrowsmith Parish, for your faithful support this year and your recent generous donation of £1,429.18 received on the 21st May 2026.

Thank you for standing in solidarity with our global family and living out Christ's call to love your neighbour in such a powerful way this Lent. Your generosity during this season of prayer, fasting and almsgiving is truly inspiring!

Vacancy for a School Chaplain

There is a vacancy for a chaplain at Christ the King RC High School, Southport. If you are interested or know someone then please visit: www.christtheking-school.com/Vacancies or contact the school.

New Card Machine

I am pleased to announce that both Churches have a new contactless card machine. This will provide a simple, convenient way for those who wish to pay by card. It's very easy to use. Just click on either £5, £10 or the amount you wish to donate. We will also be able to use these machines for other events like the Christmas Fair etc. As always, I am deeply grateful for your continued generosity to our Parish.

Fr. Kieran

On this Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ we ponder...

The Eucharist is the heartbeat of divine love, pressed tenderly against the heart of God.

The Eucharist is the place where the soul rests against the heart of God.

There in the Bread of Life God embraces us with love deeper than our words and stronger than our fears.

This weekend at all Masses, our Eucharistic Ministers will make their **Renewal of Commitment**.

This will take place after Communion.

The Sodality Hall/Mather Room

is available to hire for parties etc. To book the room, please contact: Christine Prince

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