

Mass Times, Services and Intentions

Saturday 5th September *Week 22 in Ordinary Time*

St Joseph's	11.00am	-	Reconciliation & Adoration
St Joseph's	12.00pm	Mass	Private Intention

Saturday 5th September *Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time*

St Joseph's	4.30pm	Mass	Teresa Warbis RIP
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Sunday 6th September *Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time*

St Joseph's	9.30am	Mass	People of the Parish
Sacred Heart	11.00am	Mass	Francis Tesmer
Sacred Heart	12.30pm	Baptism	Lilah Maeve Morris

Tuesday 8th September *Feast of the Nativity of the BVM*

Sacred Heart	12.00pm	Mass	Samuel Boamah 16th Birthday
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Wednesday 9th September *Week 23 in Ordinary Time*

St Joseph's	12.00pm	Mass	Maria Ashbrook Anniversary
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Thursday 10th September *Memorial of St Ambrose Barlow*

Sacred Heart	10.00am	Mass	Ruth & Joseph Boamah 21st Birthdays
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Friday 11th September *Week 23 in Ordinary Time*

St Joseph's	9.30am	Mass	John Prince Anniversary
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Saturday 12th September *Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

St Joseph's	4.30pm	Mass	Doris Pendlebury Anniversary
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Sunday 13th September *Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

St Joseph's	9.30am	Mass	Betty Kennedy Anniversary
Sacred Heart	11.00am	Mass	People of the Parish

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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Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday 6th September 2026

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Mon, 1.30pm—4.30pm **St J**
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Food for thought!

When someone hurts us it's easy to respond in a negative way. Yet, the Word from God today, tells us how to respond and help those who hurt us, especially in the Christian Community. The Lord emphasises what underpins all our relationships as Christians...love! It's never easy to tell someone that you think their behaviour is out of order, and today's Gospel has some practical advice for us in this delicate area! Jesus talks to his disciples about the responsibility they have as individuals and as community to help each other to live as God wants us to live - and that is love! St Paul echoes that in our second reading and says love does no wrong to a neighbour. A love which, at its best, resembles that of Jesus Himself – complete, unconditional, yet challenging! Jesus tells us today that 'whenever 2 or 3 are gathered in His name He is among us'. What a beautiful reminder that when we come together in His name, we are never alone. May we enter this new week united in faith, and confident that He is with us. The Lord will keep walking with us wherever we go and whatever situation we may find ourselves in.

Praise Him!

Recently Deceased

We pray for those who have died

Simon Frain

Edward White

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

Margaret Hawkins

Marian Hindley

Brenda Jones

Kitty Jones

Iris McKiernan

John Mulligan

Josie Newell

Paul Ross

Cecily Simon

Barbara Wilkinson

May the risen Lord embrace them

with healing love.

Sanctuary Lamps

This week our Sanctuary Lamp will shine
for:

World Peace

at St Joseph's Church

and

**Those who have no clean drinking
water**

at Sacred Heart Church

The Pope's Intention for September: For the care of water

Let us pray for a just and sustainable
management of water, a vital resource ,
so that everyone may have equal access to it.

The Sacrament of Baptism

We hold in prayer **Lilah Maeve Morris**

and her family, who receives this

powerful Sacrament in Sacred Heart

Church on Sunday.

May they rejoice in God's presence.

Mother's Prayers Meeting

The next Mother's Prayers Meeting will be

held on Monday 14th September, at

10.30am, in Joseph's Presbytery.

All Mother's and Grandmother's welcome.

Our Schools

Our schools have returned! We lift all

involved in our schools, Sacred Heart,

St Joseph's, Twelve Apostles and

St Mary's High School up to the Lord in

prayer...may they all be safe, protected

from any harm and grow in knowledge

and love of God.

Little Church/Children's Liturgy

Little Church/Children's Liturgy will

resume at all three Masses this

weekend.

A reminder that Little Church/Children's

Liturgy is for children who have started

in Reception Class up to Year 6.

Children younger than Reception Class

are not able to attend

Little Church/Children's Liturgy.

MP's Debate Assisted Suicide Bill

The Terminally Ill Adults

(End of Life) Bill returns to the

House of Commons for its Second

Reading on the 11th September.

You can contact your MP using the

online resources provided by

CBCew in association with Right to

Life UK:

[cbcew.org.uk/opposing-assisted-](http://cbcew.org.uk/opposing-assisted-suicide)
[suicide](http://cbcew.org.uk/opposing-assisted-suicide) [or righttolife.org.uk/](http://righttolife.org.uk/)

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A Concert for the Nuncio

Saturday 12th September

All are invited to A Concert for the

Nuncio on Saturday 12th September,

at 7.30pm, at St Francis de Sales

Church, Hale Road, Walton,

Liverpool, L14 3RL.

The concert will feature Anna

Callacher (Soprano), the Hope Street

Consort, Paul Thomas (Trumpet) and

James Luxton (Organ).

A light supper will be served

afterwards, and there will be a

retiring collection.

All are welcome.

Parents with children

Please note that if a child needs to use

the church toilet, they need to be

accompanied by a parent. They cannot

go out on their own or with another

sibling. This is for Safeguarding and

Health and Safety reasons.

We follow the guidelines of the
Liverpool Archdiocese Safeguarding
Department.

Marriage Preparation Catechists

Training—1 October, 8 October,

15 October, 22 October, 29 October

Would you like to accompany the engaged

couples in their journey of marriage

preparation? The archdiocese is now

recruiting catechists to join the marriage

preparation team. The catechist training will

be provided at St Joseph's Church, Penketh,

Warrington, WA5 2BB

and consists of five sessions.

Upon completion of training, the catechists

will be asked to offer marriage preparation

courses taking place across the archdiocese.

If this is something you are interested in,

please sign up here

<https://tinyurl.com/5c52zbbz>

For more information, please contact

Moses at m.mui@rcaol.org.uk

Crafting the Word of the Lord

Monday 7th—Friday 11th September

An exhibition of knitted Bible scenes creat-

ed by Francesca Vause will be on display at

Our Lady & All Saints Church, Parbold,

WN8 7HS. There is parking on site, the

exhibition is free, and all are welcome.

Opening times:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 11am—3pm

Tuesday: 3.30pm—6pm

Thursday: 11.30am—4pm

Enquiries: parbold@hotmail.com

The Sodality Hall/Mather Room is

available to hire for parties etc. To

book the room, please contact:

Christine Prince **07766681339**

Sacrament of Anointing the Sick

If you would like Fr. Kieran to visit a family member who is sick and

housebound, please speak to the Parish Office.