



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

**Sacred Heart Church**  
Walmesley Road

**20th August 2023**  
**Twentieth Sunday**  
**in Ordinary Time**

**St Joseph's Church**  
Mather Lane

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**Food for Thought**

We often tend to associate with people who share similar interests to us – friends who like the same things as we do – or belong to same organisations that we belong to. There is nothing wrong with this unless it leads to an “us verses them” mentality. In today's Gospel we see a bit of that in the disciples. The Canaanite woman was a foreigner, not a member of the “chosen people” and the disciples wanted her to go away. We must remember how important it is not to exclude people outside of our usual circle or even worse, treat them unfairly. Pope Francis constantly asks us to work to develop an attitude of inclusion. If we look at our troubled world, we can see that the sin of racism and division impacts all of us. Countries are so divided - we don't understand or listen to each other. How wonderful if we could celebrate our differences and really listen to each other.

May we respect others who are different from us and may we find ways to speak about the incredible gift of faith.

**Pilgrimage Mass to the Holy Hand  
of St. Edmund Arrowsmith**

There will be a pilgrimage Mass on Sunday 27th August beginning at 3pm at the shrine of St Edmund Arrowsmith, St. Oswald Church, Liverpool Road, Ashton-in-Makerfield.

**Sacred Heart Church  
Update**

I am hoping to reopen Sacred Heart Church on Sunday the 10th September.

**Recently Deceased**

We pray for those whose have died, especially:

**Teresa Patricia Young**  
**Kathleen Loughlin**

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:

**Jim Reynolds, Vera Seventi, Carol Greenhalgh, Mary Griffin Sean Fleming, Craig Hardman, Kitty Jones, Baby Roman Bleu Emery, Doreen Hayes, Sr. Megan Nellie Flynn, Mary Barnes Archbishop Patrick Kelly, Catherine Peaty, Sandra George Cartledge**

May the Risen Lord embrace them with love.

**Sanctuary Lamps**

This week our Sanctuary Lamp will shine for

**All Deceased Parishioners**  
And  
**Deceased Priests**

**Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for August For World Youth Day**

We pray the World Youth Day in Lisbon will help young people to live and witness the Gospel in their own lives.

## Mass Times, Services and Intentions

<b>Saturday 19th August</b> <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>			
St Joseph's	4.30pm	Mass	Paul Unsworth R.I.P.
<b>Sunday 20th August</b> <i>Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>			
St Joseph's	9.30am	Mass	Karen Roberts R.I.P.
<b>St Joseph's</b>	<b>11.00am</b>	Mass	Alice Wilcock Anniversary
St Joseph's	12.30pm	Baptisms	Nika Barton-Rigby and Ruby May Peters
<b>Monday 21st August</b> <i>Memorial of St Pius X, Pope</i>			
St Joseph's	11.00am	Funeral Service	Kathleen Loughlin
St Joseph's	<b>12.15pm</b>	Mass	Angela Blenkinship R.I.P.
<b>Tuesday 22nd August</b> <i>Queenship of Mary</i>			
SH Hall	<b>10.00am</b>	Mass	Clare O'Grady 80th Birthday
<b>Wednesday 23rd August</b> <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>			
St Joseph's	12.00pm		<b>No Mass</b>
<b>Thursday 24th August</b> <i>Feast of St Bartholomew, Apostle</i>			
SH Hall	12.00pm	Mass	<b>No Mass</b>
<b>Friday 25th August</b> <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>			
St Joseph's	12.00pm	Mass	<b>No Mass</b>
<b>Saturday 26th August</b> <i>Memorial of Blessed Dominic Barberi of the Mother of God</i>			
St Joseph's	4.30pm	Mass	People of the Parish
<b>Sunday 27th August</b> <i>Sunday of Ordinary Time</i>			
St Joseph's	9.30am	Mass	Patrick Creane
<b>St Joseph's</b>	<b>11.00am</b>	Mass	Ruth & Joseph Boamah, 18th Birthday

### Children's Corner

"Doctor, I think I need new glasses."  
"You certainly do. This is a butcher's shop."

How do you start a water race?

Ready, get set, flow!

### Irenaeus Centre

Come and celebrate life at the Irenaeus Centre on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> September. Mass at 12 noon followed by a BBQ. Everyone welcome including children.

### The Priests in Concert

The Priest's will be singing at our Cathedral on October 12th 7.30p.m.  
 Tickets via [ThePriestsLiverpool.eventbrite.co.uk](http://ThePriestsLiverpool.eventbrite.co.uk)

