

Mass Times, Services and Intentions

Saturday 2nd September *Weekday in Ordinary Time*

St Joseph's	4.30pm	Mass	Betty Kennedy Anniversary
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Sunday 3rd September *Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*

St Joseph's	9.30am	Mass	Enid Kenwright Anniversary
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St Joseph's	11.00am	Mass	Joyce Worden R.I.P.
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St Joseph's	12.30pm	Baptism	Esme Frances Wright
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Monday 4th September *Memorial of St Cuthbert, Bishop*

St Joseph's	12.00pm	Mass	Stephen Aspden Anniversary
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Tuesday 5th September *Weekday in Ordinary Time*

S H Hall	12.00pm	Mass	People of the Parish
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Wednesday 6th September *Weekday in Ordinary Time*

St Joseph's	12.00pm	Mass	Boon & Campbell Families
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Thursday 7th September *Weekday in Ordinary Time*

SH Hall	9.30am	Mass	Samuel Boamah 13th Birthday
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Friday 8th September *Feast of the Birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

St Joseph's	11.30am	Funeral Service	Arthur Williams
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St Joseph's			No Mass
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St Joseph's	1.30pm	Funeral Service	Teresa Patricia Young
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Saturday 9th September *Weekday in Ordinary Time*

St Joseph's	4.30pm	Mass	Doris Pendlebury Anniversary
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Sunday 10th September *Twenty Third Sunday of Ordinary Time*

St Joseph's	9.30am	Mass	David Philip Jones Anniversary
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St Joseph's	11.00am	Mass	Karen Roberts R.I.P.
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Newsletter for the Parish of Saint Edmund Arrowsmith Served by the Churches of Sacred Heart and St Joseph



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Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



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Food for Thought

What a difference between Jesus' response to Peter last week when He declared Peter to be the rock on which He would build His Church, to today when He calls Peter an obstacle to His mission! Peter couldn't understand that the Lord had to suffer. Today Jesus says to each Christian... "**Anyone who wants to be a follower of mine, must take up his cross every day and follow me**". Many of us feel that we have a cross to bear. The cross can be the hurt caused by somebody else, or we may bring a cross on ourselves due to the choices we have made in life. For some the 'cross' may be a parent making sacrifices for the good of the family.....for others trying to care for elderly and vulnerable people.....young people daring to follow their consciences and doing what's right rather than trying to fit in the wrong crowd, knowing that this can make them unpopular.....those trying to help migrants, refugees. All these situations help us to understand Jesus' words today. Yet, Jesus encourages us to face the pain of life instead of running away from it or blaming God. When we totally rely on Him it helps us to welcome all that each new day brings - the past is buried in God – and He takes care of the future. Whatever your circumstances try to live with a heart that trusts. Let Him sing in you the radiant gift of life – to the point that the springs of joy and trust never run dry! Whatever crosses we may have to bear He is with us. Welcome each new day as irreplaceable and unique - the today in which the Lord is present whatever we have to face. Praise Him

Recently Deceased

We pray for those whose have died, especially:

Arthur Williams
Teresa Patrica Young

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 Peat
Sandra George Cartledge
Albert Barker

May the Risen Lord embrace them with love.

Forthcoming Second Collections

Next Weekend: Catholic Education
16th/17th Sunday: Home Missions



Sacrament of Anointing the Sick

If you would like Fr. Kieran to visit a family member who is sick and housebound, please speak to him or contact the Parish Office and a visit will be arranged.

Baptism

Congratulations to the parents of

Esme Frances Wright
who celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism this weekend.
May they grow in the love of the Lord.

Lourdes Reunion Mass

St Mary's Church in St Helens will be holding a Lourdes Reunion Mass. The Mass is open to everyone and all are welcome, but it is aimed at those who went to Lourdes this year. It's on Sunday 10th September 2023 at St Mary's Church, Lowe House, St Helens WA10 2BE at 5pm.

Pope Francis'

Prayer Intention for September

we pray for those persons living on the margins of society, in inhumane life conditions; may they not be overlooked by institutions and never considered of lesser importance.

Irenaeus Centre

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

Children's Liturgy/Little Church

Children's Liturgy/Little Church will begin again on the weekend of the 16th/17th September. There are information sheets at the back of church for parents to take home and read.

St Joseph's Players present

"I HAVE BEEN HERE BEFORE"

A time play by J.B. PRIESTLY.
Directed by Barbara Mayers.

From Tuesday 26th September to Saturday 30th September.

Commencing 7-30pm.

Advance Tickets available online:

www.ticketsource.co.uk/st-josephs-players

Tickets £10 adults. 16yr & under £5

Enquiries **07907880308**

St Joseph's Players

Our AGM will take place on Wednesday 6th September at 7.00pm in the Green Room at St Joseph's Presbytery. Anyone who would like to join the society to act or help backstage is more than welcome to attend.

Sanctuary Lamps

This week our Sanctuary Lamp will shine
Stephen Aspden
(Anniversary)

Man:

"Excuse me Officer, but I've lost me dog."

Policeman:

"Come back tomorrow, we might get a lead on him"

Mothers' Prayers

Mother's Prayers will meet on Monday 4th September in St Joseph's Presbytery at 10.30am.
All mothers and grandmothers are welcome.

Schools

Welcome back to all our little ones and big ones as they return to School this week! We hold them all in prayer, together with their families and staff....may this new School year be filled with blessings for each and every one of you!

Sacred Heart Church Update

I am hoping to reopen Sacred Heart Church on Sunday the **17th September.**

Children's Corner

