# Mass Times, Services and Intentions

Holy Saturday 8th April Easter Vigil

St Joseph's

Sacred Heart

St Joseph's	8.00pm	Mass	Paul Hough Anniversary
		Easter Sunda	y 9th April
St Joseph's	9.30am	Mass	Angela Blenkinship R.I.P.
Sacred Heart	11.00am	Mass	John Marsh R.I.P.
Monday 10th April Easter Octave			
St Joseph's	10.00am	Mass	Wedding Anniversary
Tuesday 11th April Easter Octave			
Sacred Heart	12.00pm	Mass	Kaz Jabkiewicz R.I.P.
Wednesday 12th April Easter Octave			
St Joseph's	12.00pm	Mass	People of the Parish
Thursday 13th April Easter Octave			
Sacred Heart	12.00pm	Mass	Albert & Joyce
Friday 14th April Easter Octave			
St Joseph's			No Mass
Saturday 15th April Easter Octave			
St Joseph's	4.30pm	Mass	Mary & Martin Burke

# The Parish of Saint Edmund Arrowsmith Served by the Churches of Sacred Heart and St Joseph



Sacred Heart Church Walmesley Road Leigh WN7 1YE

> **Parish** Administrator Jacqui Unsworth

# 9th April 2023 **Easter Sunday**

#### **Clergy Team:**

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**Opening Hours** Mon and Fri 9.30am - .11.30am 1.00pm - 3.00pm Wed 9.30- 11.30

# **Food for Thought**

When we lose someone we love, and experience the pain of bereavement, the world can seem bleak, and at such times it's hard to be an "Easter" person filled with joy! Yet, through the pain and sadness, it is true – the Lord of life is Risen! He cannot be held by death. God's victory over sin and death means that new life is a reality. For those who have gone before us, the old life is over and a new one begins! Easter is a glorious feast because we celebrate the point where death gives way to life. The Psalm today says, "This is the day the Lord has made - let us rejoice and be glad in it." Easter is a day of joy. He is Risen! The reality of the resurrection is the central fact of our faith. Through the gift of the Holy Spirit, the Lord gives us "eyes of faith" to know him and to see the power of his resurrection. In the Risen Lord we know the stirring of new life, full of joy, peace, and fulfilment. The more we seek the Risen Lord the more we will notice – recognise - and delight in Him! Alleluia!!



Sunday 16th April Second Sunday of Easter

Mass

Mass

9.30am

11.00am

**Divine Mercy Sunday** 

Eileen & Albert Boardman Anniversary

Francis Shorties Anniversary

#### Sick and Housebound

We hold in prayer all who are sick in body, mind or spirit and those who care for them:

those who care for them:
Jim Reynolds,
Vera Seventi,
Carol Greenhalgh,
Mary Griffin
Brendan Fleming,
Sean Fleming,
Craig Hardman,
Kitty Jones,
Baby Roman Bleu Emery,

Sr. Megan Nellie Flynn Mary Barnes Archbishop Patrick Kelly

Doreen Haves,

May the Lord embrace them with love.

### Eastertide

Eastertide unfolds until Pentecost Sunday 28th May. The Lord gives us countless opportunities to grow in faith, hope and love.

May this season of joy be filled with blessings for you and yours as we come closer to Him!

# **Feast of Divine Mercy**

The hour of grace will be held on next Sunday (16th April) at Holy Family Church, Boothstown beginning with the Chaplet at 3.00pm with Adoration. Confessions will be available through the hour which will conclude with Benediction.

### **Recently Deceased**

We pray for those whose have died, especially: Jean Lyon Kathleen Daniels

Jean Lyon
Kathleen Daniels
Margaret Foster
Mary Brenda McNamara
Fr. Michael O'Dowd
Fr. Vin McShane

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

#### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Fr. Kieran is available after each midday Mass and 3.45—4.15 before the 4.30pm Mass at St Joseph's Church.

### **Pope Francis Prayer Intention for April**

For a culture of peace and non-violence
We pray for the spread of peace and non-violence,
by decreasing the use of weapons by States

# **LGBT+ Catholics Gathering**

The next gathering for LGBT+ Catholics will be held on Sunday 16th April 2023. Mass at 2.00pm followed by social gathering. This will take place at: St Agnes & St Aidan Church, Hey Road, Huyton L36 5SQ

#### **HAPPY EASTER**

Thanks to all who have made our celebration of the Triduum so special, especially all our altar servers, Mairead our cantor and Aoife who played her violin.

May the power of the risen Lord lead

us on as we continue the journey of

faith, witnessing to him!

# Thank You

Thank you Thank you for your cards, gifts and your goodness shown to me. May Jesus bless your generosity and lead you more deeply into the wonder of His risen life.

Fr. Kieran

#### Gift Aid

If you are a tax payer please consider joining the Gift Aid Scheme, as this is a way of increasing our income without having to ask people for more money (when we are all suffering from the cost of living crisis). For every £1 you give 25p extra can be claimed back from the government. This is great way of boosting our Parish Finances.

For more information please contact the Parish Office.

### The Cat and The Canary

St Joseph's Players next production, a comedy melodrama, by John Willard, directed by Donna Wood.

From Tuesday 18th April to
Saturday 22nd April. Curtain 7.30pm
Tickets Adults £10
16 years and under £5
Available from www.ticketsource.co.uk
For enquiries phone 07907 880 308

Where there is Love and Wisdom, There is neither Fear nor Ignorance. Where there is Patience and Humility, There is neither Anger nor Annoyance. Where there is Peace and Contemplation, There is neither Care nor Restlessness.

### **Parish Office**

Please note that the Parish Office will be closed until Monday 17th April.

# Children's Corner

Why was the math book sad? It had a lot of problems.

Why couldn't the music teacher start her car?
Her keys were on the piano.

What do elves learn in school?
The elf-abet



# **Sanctuary Lamps**

This week our Sanctuary Lamp will shine

at Sacred Heart Church for

Unity among all faiths

at St Joseph's Church for Eveline Donohue