

Mass Times, Services and Intentions

Saturday 27th May *Feast of St Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop*

St Joseph's	4.30pm	Mass	Frances & James Clarke R.I.P.
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Sunday 28th May *Pentecost*

St Joseph's	9.30am	Mass	Thanksgiving
Sacred Heart	11.00am	Mass	People of the Parish

Tuesday 30th May *Weekday in Ordinary Time*

No Mass

Wednesday 31st May *Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

St Joseph's	12.30pm	Funeral Mass	Mary Gibbon
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Thursday 1st June *Feast of our Lord Jesus Christ, The Eternal High Priest*

No Mass

Friday 2nd June *Weekday in Ordinary Time*

No Mass

Saturday 3rd June *Memorial of Saints Charles Lwanga & Companions*

Sacred Heart	10.30am		First Holy Communion
St Joseph's	4.30pm	Mass	Brian Keavney Anniversary

Sunday 4th June *Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity*

St Joseph's	9.30am	Mass	Mary Tyrer Anniversary
Sacred Heart	11.00am	Mass	KJ John Kunnachery Anniversary
Sacred Heart	12.30pm	Baptism	Lilly Anne Butler

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



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28th May 2023
Pentecost Sunday

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Food for Thought

Every now and then most of us enjoy a 'pat on the back' and some encouraging words! Today we hear how Jesus goes beyond words to encourage the Apostles by breathing on them the Holy Spirit. The outpouring of the Holy Spirit was life-changing for them. We were not around at that time - yet that same Spirit of the Lord is upon **us** every bit as much as it was upon the first disciples! That same Spirit hovered over the waters of **our** Baptism – and came upon us with renewed strength in Confirmation. So often we miss God's voice because we are not expecting to hear it! We can miss the promptings of the Holy Spirit in our lives because we are not expecting Him to act! When the Apostles received the Holy Spirit they spoke in tongues – they spoke in a new language. As we grow as Christians, we too can speak in a new language – the language of a deeper understanding of love – forgiveness – acceptance -wisdom. As we emerge from this life-changing pandemic we need the Holy Spirit in our lives more than anything. The spirit is peace when we feel restless – confidence when we feel discouraged - joy in sadness – the assurance of knowing He is with us at all times. Whatever the stormy currents of life are thrown at us – He reaches out with the anchor of hope. Let us pray today for ourselves and the entire Church that we may all be renewed by the power of the Holy Spirit, so that we can use our gifts, making us sowers of goodness, and apostles of hope. Praise Him!

Recently Deceased

We pray for those whose have died, especially:

Anthony Short
Kevin Fahy
Mary Gibbon

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
Brendan Fleming,
Sean Fleming,
Craig Hardman,
Kitty Jones,
Baby Roman Bleu Emery,
Doreen Hayes,
Sr. Megan
Nellie Flynn
Mary Barnes
Archbishop Patrick Kelly

May the Risen Lord embrace them with love.



Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for May For Church Movements and groups

"We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world."



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.

Visiting the Sick and Housebound

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.

Come and See Day

Saturday 3rd June
10.00am—4.00pm

'Called to be a Spiritual Church'
Keynote Speaker
Mary Hardiman.

Mary is a retired teacher who now works as a trauma informed therapist, offering counselling to men in prison. She is involved with Lifelines, a charity that supports men and women on Death Row in America
The Come and See Day takes place at
The Irenaeus Centre
32 Great Georges Road L22 1RD
Book in at jenny@irenaeus.co.uk
Or Tel: 0151 949 1199

Welcome Fr Hugh

This weekend we welcome Fr Hugh from the White Fathers, who is here to appeal on their behalf. Please be as generous as you can.

Baptisms

Congratulations to the families of

Lilly Anne Butler
who celebrated the Sacrament of Baptism last Sunday.

May they grow in the love of the Lord.

First Holy Communions

Congratulations to Year 4 children from St Joseph's School, who made their First Holy Communion this weekend. Please keep their families in your prayers.

Mass Intentions

If you wish to have a Mass celebrated for a loved one, please give at least **three** months notice at St Joseph's Church and **one** months notice at Sacred Heart Church.

Fix the food system: Stand in solidarity with small-scale farmers

At the heart of the global food crisis is a struggle for control over the world's seeds. For generations, small-scale farmers have freely swapped and shared a wide variety of seeds.

However, the freedom of farmers to choose what seeds they use is under threat as the World Bank supports new laws which push farmers towards using seeds sold by big agribusiness.

This puts control of the world's seeds into the hands of a few giant corporations. If we want a sustainable food system, then we must stand with small farmers across the world as they fight for control over their seeds.

Join us in demanding the World Bank end all policies that restrict farmers' freedoms to choose which seeds they use to grow food.
For details of how to help, please see www.cafod.org.uk

Information from [cafod web-site](http://cafod.org.uk).

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Sanctuary Lamps

This week our Sanctuary Lamp will shine at Sacred Heart Church for

Flood victims in Italy
St Joseph's Church for
Mary Chantler R.I.P.

Children's Corner

Why are seagulls called seagulls?
Because if they flew over the bay, they'd be bagels!

Why did the girl smear peanut butter on the road?
To go with the traffic jam!

