

## Services, Mass Times and Intentions

### Thirtieth Sunday of the Year A

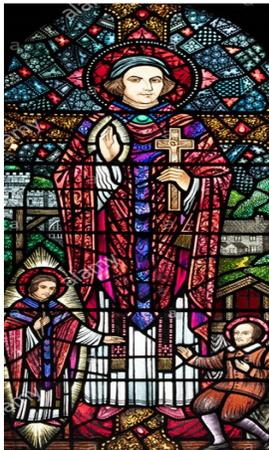
St Joseph	Saturday	4.30pm	McArt and Murran Families Anniv
St Joseph	Sunday	9.30am	Ronald Knight Anniversary
Sacred Heart	Sunday	11.00am	Laura Anderson sick
In private	Tuesday		Kitty Clarke Birthday memorial
St Joseph	Wednesday	12.00pm	Mary Taylor
Sacred Heart	Thursday	12.00pm	People of the Parish
In private	Friday		Margaret Newby Birthday Memorial

### Thirty First Sunday of the Year A

St Joseph	Saturday	4.30pm	Agnes Coleman Birthday Memorial
St Joseph	Sunday	9.30am	Phyllis Bailey Anniversary
Sacred Heart	Sunday	11.00am	Mary Keavney Birthday Memorial

#### Numbers at Mass

Saturday St J 58  
 Sunday St J 68  
 Sunday SH 61  
 Wednesday St J 32  
 Thursday SH 11  
 Offertory £ 866.52



St Edmund Arrowsmith

#### Sanctuary Lamp

This week our  
 Sanctuary Lamps will  
 shine for....  
 The Worden Family  
 at St Joseph's  
 and  
 Children in Care  
 at Sacred Heart

## The Parish of Saint Edmund Arrowsmith

Served by the Churches of Sacred Heart and St Joseph



Sacred Heart Church  
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### 30th Sunday of Ordinary Time Year A 25th October 2020

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### Food for the journey

Sometimes it's good for us to be reminded of the underlying simplicity of living in the Kingdom! We can often lose sight of the truth, or find ourselves worrying about minor details of belief, that we can forget that before anything else we are called to love God and our neighbour. Jesus tells us today **"You must love the Lord your God, with all your heart...with all your soul and with all your mind, and you must love your neighbour as yourself"**. Love has so many facets and meanings to it – but one that is most important is to remember that love is an action. When we try to love Him with all our hearts, with all our souls and with all our minds, then the rest will follow naturally. We all know how hard it can be to really love those who treat us badly, but one way we can love them is to pray for them, as this can help them but is also very healing for us. When we look at the news and see images of what's happening in our world, we can feel overwhelmed and frightened and the future may seem bleak. It's important that we are aware of what's going on – we need to know so that we can pray for our world - but we need to keep balanced and take a closer look and say..... "Look what love is doing." ...it's caring for those in need.....seeing that the hungry are fed...the homeless sheltered.....the young are educated..... the elderly are cared for..... the bereaved are comforted... ..that's what love is doing! Love by its very nature must be shared with others – because love grows through love. This is the love that comes from God and unites us to Him. May our hearts be open even more to God's love, so that we grow in our capacity to love others as He does. Praise Him!

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## LITURGICAL WEEK

Today – 30th Sunday of Ordinary Time  
Wednesday - Feast of Ss. Simon & Jude,  
Apostles

Next Sunday - 31st Sunday of Ordinary Time  
All can be accessed/downloaded at <https://www.liverpoolcatholicresources.com/> or  
through <http://www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/> by  
clicking on 'Prayer and Other Resources'.

## NOVEMBER PIUS LIST

If you would like to include deceased loved ones in the November Pius list, please take an envelope, available from the church porch and return it with you list and if you wish a donation.

All the names will be placed on the Altar and included in Masses throughout November

## Finance

Please bring your offertory collection to whichever Mass you chose to come to or send through the post with cheque made out to St Edmund Arrowsmith Parish. Baskets to put your offerings in are available at the entrance at both Churches.

## The Gift of the Rosary

The Rosary has been a powerful instrument of prayer down through the centuries. Mary speaks to us not from book learning, but from human experience. During the month of October let us ponder in a special way the wonder and riches of the rosary, so that it may enrich our lives, especially during this Pandemic, and with her help lead us closer to her beloved Son. And Mary said: My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord. Luke 1:46

Information about praying the rosary can be found on the Pastoral Area Website

## For our sisters and brothers who are sick and housebound

We hold in prayer all who are sick in body, mind or spirit and those who care for them. Including: Dennis O'Halleran.

## For those who have died

Also those who have died and those whose anniversaries occur at this time...may the peace of our Risen Lord enfold us all.

*If you would like your name including on the sick list, or you know someone who would, please inform the parish office. You must get permission from the person concerned if you are doing it for someone else.*



## FRIENDS OF THE HOLY LAND



The situation in the Holy Land remains very difficult with ongoing coronavirus infections resulting in intermittent lockdowns being reinstated. Israel has now declared a second national lockdown. Community transmissions are increasing rapidly in Gaza, where social distancing is physically not possible.

Many of the poorest Christians in the Holy Land will still not be able to work for many more weeks or months to come. Where they may have just been able to make ends meet, unemployment or reduced wages will push them over into debt. Basic needs like rent, food and medicines become heavy burdens they cannot afford.

Our office in the Holy Land is inundated by people seeking help and the reports from our partner organisations are the same.

Praying for our Christian family in the Holy Land is central to our work, in support to our Christian Brothers and Sisters in the West Bank, Gaza, Israel and Jordan, encouraging them and reminding them they are not forgotten.

*Almighty and ever loving Father, we pray for the Christians living in the Holy Land.*

*Lord, may the light of your love shine down on our Christian brothers and sisters in the Holy Land.*

*In your mercy grant them peace in their land, peace in their homes and peace in their hearts.*

*We pray for the work of Friends of the Holy Land, that it will bring healing and relief to those most in need.*

*We ask you to guide Friends of the Holy Land and all who support its work by prayer, action and fund-raising.*

*Help pilgrims to the Holy Land to see the plight of their Christian brothers and sisters, and touch their hearts with compassion and love.*

*Lord, remember our fellow Christians in their greatest need, and help us not to forget them. Amen."*

## Children's Corner

**Why did the teddy bear say no to dessert?**

*Because she was stuffed.*

**What has ears but cannot hear?**

*A cornfield.*

**What did the left eye say to the right eye?**

*Between us, something smells!*



## Prayer to St Joseph

God, our heavenly Father, grant us the fortitude of Christ your Son to face the Covid-19 crisis with trust, patience and compassion. Give us the grace of the Holy Spirit to free us from fear and look forward together to the future with healing and hope. Through the intercession of Saint Joseph, the guardian of Jesus, and Mary his mother and Mother of the Church, may we be guided through this time of peril. Preserve us in peace; protect the vulnerable; keep safe our health care workers and all who serve society, at home and abroad. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Composed by Fr Kevin O'Gorman SMA