

## Services, Mass Times and Intentions

### Eleventh Sunday of Ordinary Time

St Joseph's	Saturday	4.30pm	Wilfred Valliant R.I.P.
St Joseph's	Sunday	9.30am	Vincent Unsworth Birthday Memorial
Sacred Heart	Sunday	11.00am	Ann Harman & Peter Harman jnr.

### Twelfth Sunday of Ordinary Time

St Joseph's	Saturday	4.30pm	David Warbis R.I.P.I.
St Joseph's	Sunday	9.30am	Len Pritchard Anniversary
Sacred Heart	Sunday	11.00am	Vinnie Johnson R.I.P.

### Children's Corner

What's a pirate's favorite letter?

Rrrrrrr!

What musical instrument is found in the bathroom?

A tuba toothpaste.

Why are fish so smart?

Because they live in schools!

What did 0 say to 8?

Nice belt!



St Edmund Arrowsmith



### Sanctuary Lamp

Next week our

Sanctuary Lamps will shine for....

Carers

at Sacred Heart

and

Rev. Bernard Worden

at St Joseph's

## The Parish of Saint Edmund Arrowsmith

Served by the Churches of Sacred Heart and St Joseph



Sacred Heart Church  
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13th June 2021

### Eleventh Sunday of Ordinary Time

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### Food for the Journey

During his ministry, Jesus is often trying to describe the Kingdom of God. In today's gospel, Jesus compares the Kingdom of God, God's presence in our midst, to a seed that is sown, and produces a rich harvest. The seed is normally quite small, yet the plant that grows from the seed is quite big and majestic, as majestic as the renowned cedars of Lebanon in the first reading.

Although the seed that is sown is often small and insignificant, the Kingdom of God grows into a big shrub that can offer shade to the birds of the air! We often cannot see the seed hidden in the ground, it is like a word that is spoken and disappears into the air, only God knows what fruit the seed and the word will produce. Like the farmer, our role is simply to sow the seed and to water it, it is God who makes his Kingdom grow.



### Sick and Housebound

We hold in prayer all who are sick in body, mind or spirit and those who care for them: Carol Greenhalgh, Craig Hardman & Dennis O'Halleran

### RECENTLY DECEASED

We pray for those whose have died especially Dana Barsonova, Maureen Whittle, and those who's anniversary is at this time, may the peace of our risen Lord Jesus enfold us all.

### LITURGICAL WEEK

**Today:** Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Friday:** Memorial of St John Rigby

**Sunday:** Twelfth Sunday of Ordinary Time

### Forthcoming Collections

**Day for Life** 19th/20th June

Thank you for your generosity.

### OFFERTORY COLLECTION

As you come into church, please place your offering in the baskets provided. A big thank you to all of you continuing to push your envelopes through the presbytery doors. Thank you for your continued generosity.

### SYNOD 2020

As we approach our Archdiocesan Synod, taking place online on 19th June, please keep the Synod in your prayers and take a copy of the prayers for the Week of Prayer for the Synod. The prayers can be found in both porches.

### WELCOME

We continue to extend a warm Parish welcome to **Father David Pember** who is supplying for Fr Kieran for the next few weeks. We very grateful to Fr. David for his ministrations. Please note there will no weekday Masses while Fr Kieran is away.



**Update from CAFOD** - Thanks to your support, CAFOD has been helping communities around the world cope with the pandemic. Just in Zambia, in the past year, our reports show we've been able to reach 1,234,200 people with messages on COVID-19, provide 13,312 people with access to safe water, train 392 frontline health workers from Zambia's 11 dioceses on how to prepare and respond to COVID-19 in their local communities and donate over 1000 handwashing hygiene stations in communities to support handwashing measures. Thank you for standing alongside people in Zambia and for supporting people in more than 30 other countries worldwide.

### COP26 - UN SUMMIT

What does COP26 mean?

COP26 is the annual UN climate conference. A 'COP' means 'conference of parties'.

Governments and negotiators from across the world will travel to the meeting to discuss how to keep temperature rises below dangerous levels and prevent the climate crisis from causing even worse catastrophes for the world's poorest and most vulnerable people. Urge Boris Johnson to put people hardest hit by the climate crisis at the heart of COP26.

The COP26 location is the Scottish Event Campus (SEC) in Glasgow, Scotland. The conference has been rearranged to take place between 1-12 November 2021 following the coronavirus pandemic.

COP26 is critical because it is the first COP since the coronavirus pandemic began.

Governments are now planning how to rebuild from the pandemic and it is vital that these plans are based around the need for a global green and just transition.

**Pope Francis has warned** that it would be "a scandal" if the money governments are spending to rebuild economies and save businesses "were to focus on rescuing those industries that do not contribute to the inclusion of the excluded, the promotion of the least, the common good or the care of creation".

Governments are also obliged to set out more ambitious goals for ending their contribution to climate change under the Paris Agreement. A number of countries have begun to do so, including the UK.

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