

# St. Edmund Arrowsmith

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (Year C) 29 MAY 2016



## Responsorial Psalm

You are a priest for ever,  
a priest like Melchizedek of old.

## Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the living bread which has come down from heaven, says the Lord.  
Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.

Alleluia!

## REFLECTION

Throughout the Gospels the miracles performed by Jesus are mostly either acts of healing or something to do with the provision of food and drink. In today's Gospel we are told that Jesus made the crowds welcome before talking to them about the Kingdom of God and curing those in need of healing. His disciples then want to send the people away but Jesus challenges them to feed the crowds themselves. There is a pattern in the story that echoes the celebration of the Eucharist. First of all there is the important step of making people welcome. Then there is the reflection on the Kingdom of God. Then there is the prayer for those who are sick or in need. No one should be forgotten at the altar of God. In today's Second Reading Saint Paul reminds us more directly of what happens in the Eucharist. As we take the bread and wine and bless them we are doing what Jesus asked us to do. It is through this act that we represent the great act of salvation encompassed in the death and resurrection of Jesus. We thank God the Father for the gift of his Son through this simple act of eating and drinking, and we are not just eating bread and wine: we are eating and drinking Christ's Body and Blood, in this way bringing all the elements of our lives into the inspiration of Jesus himself.

All meals carry with them the potential for nourishment and healing and much more besides. Particularly important meals of celebration, especially Birthday or Christmas meals, for example, when we share them with others we confirm our identity and they allow us to celebrate our very existence and all that our lives give to us. As in the story of the feeding of the five thousand in today's Gospel, we need a warm welcome, we need food and drink to sustain us, and we need to be thankful for what life provides for us, not just in the meal itself, but in the lives of the people with whom we share. All these elements are present when we celebrate the Eucharist together. They are signs of how we are linked to Christ, who, through the gift of himself, transforms our humanity into his divinity. As we come together to remember what he did for us, as we share the message of God's Kingdom, as we pray for healing and strength, as we eat the bread and drink the wine that have become the Body and Blood of Christ, we make present the mystery of the cross and resurrection. By sharing in these wonderful gifts we truly become the Body of Christ in and for our world. As we celebrate this great feast day, how do we recognize and acknowledge the Body of Christ in each other?

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Sacred Heart,  
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and  
Our Lady of the  
Rosary  
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## NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS ST JOSEPH'S

### MASSES

Ronald Brown, Carolyn Burke, James Hurst,

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

The new Rota is now ready for collection from the Sacristy.

### TWELVE APOSTLES

Is there anyone who would like to take over collecting and taking the Mission Box money to the bank? Sheila is finishing at the end of the year. Please ring 01942 675405.

### OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY

#### GARDENING DAY

Many thanks to those who came to help with the garden. Anyone willing to help please come along on Tuesdays at 10.00am, weather permitting.

#### COFFEE MORNING

Tea & Coffee will be served after Mass next Sunday. Everyone welcome

### SACRED HEART

#### SACRED HEART SHOP

Cards and small gifts for First Holy Communion and Confirmation are now available.

#### FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION

From the weekend of 14<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup> May through to 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> June we are welcoming our Year 4 children who will be confirmed and receive Holy Communion for the first time. This will take place at the 5.30pm Mass at Twelve Apostles church and the 9.30am Mass at Sacred Heart church. On a practical note, the first few benches at the front of each of these churches will be reserved for our children and their families. Also, Mass at Our Lady of the Rosary will be at the slightly later time of 11.15am.



Pope Francis @Pontifex May 24

God can fill our hearts with his love and help us continue our journey together towards the land of freedom and life.

May 23

In a broken world, to communicate with mercy means to help create closeness between the children of God.

May 22

The feast of the Most Holy Trinity renews our mission of living in communion with God and all people on the model of the divine communion.

May 21

Each one of us can be a bridge of encounter between diverse cultures and religions, a way to rediscover our common humanity.

May 20

The firm commitment for human rights springs from an awareness of the unique and supreme value of each person.

May 19

Loving and forgiving are tangible and visible signs that faith has transformed our hearts.

### ST PIO PRAYER GROUP

Meetings of the Saint Pio prayer group will continue throughout the summer on Tuesdays, 7.00pm at St Ambrose Barlow.

### BIBLE ALIVE & WORD ALIVE

Get your free copies of *Bible Alive* & *Word Alive*, Catholic scripture magazines which encourage us to read the daily and Sunday scriptures. *Bible Alive* has a reflection on one of the daily readings and *Word Alive* has the scripture text for every day. They are the perfect resources for Mass Readers, Eucharistic Ministers and anybody interested in getting to know the scriptures. Pick up your free copy today. If you would like to subscribe to either magazine, please let the parish office know.

### Twelve Apostles Rainbows, Brownies, Guides and Guides

Senior Section are now meeting at Sacred Heart Church Hall. We are looking for new members to join the following groups: Rainbows - 5 to 7 years, Brownies 7 to 10 years, Guides 10 to 14 years, Senior Section 14 to 25 years (Rangers and Young Leaders). For more information about any of the above groups please ring Cheryl on 07719 357069.

### RETREATS 2016

at St Joseph's Prayer Centre, Blundell Avenue, Freshfield, Formby. L37 1PH. Contact: 01704 875850 or 07712 178670  
E-mail: nora.coughlan@gmail.com

Individually Guided Retreats: Sr Margaret O'Shea SMG June 13-20; July 11-17; September 11-17.

Preached/Directed: July 24-30: Fr William Pearsall SJ, August 23-27: "Soul care" Fr Tony Slingso, September 27-30: Fr John Hemer MHM

### GARDEN FETE & FUN DAY

#### DON ORIONE CENTRE

SCHOOL LANE, Near The FOX, Roby Mill, Upholland, WN8 0QR

#### BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY

30<sup>th</sup> May 2016, 12.00noon - 4.00pm

PLANTS, FOOD, CLOTHING, TOMBOLA and more ...

#### GRAND PRIZE DRAW

1<sup>st</sup> Prize £500.00

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### RESPONDING TO THE CALL VOCATION DISCERNMENT GROUP

To support those exploring Vocations to the Priesthood in our diocese, a monthly day of recollection has been organised for the first Saturday of each month. These days will help men who feel called to ordained ministry to discover more about diocesan priesthood and meet others discerning a call to priesthood. There will be an opportunity to talk with and hear from priests who minister in the diocese, and also a time for prayer and discussion. The next day of recollection will take place on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> June at St. Charles' Presbytery, 224 Aigburth Road, Liverpool.

For further information, please contact Fr James Preston, Vocations Director for the Archdiocese of Liverpool, at frjamespreston@gmail.com or telephone: 0151 727 2493. Regular updates will be posted on our Facebook page: Archdiocese of Liverpool Vocations.

## LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS

**PARISH TOTAL** £1,831.67

The retiring collections this weekend will be for the cause of Provision for Priests in Retirement.

### SICK

Please remember in your prayers all who are sick at this time, especially Margaret Beckett, Carolyn Burke, Sr. Teresa Frost, Philip Harte, Eleanor Heaton, Kathleen Jordan, Brenda Lowe, Shannon Mackay, Claire Slater, Kevin O'Rourke.

### RECENTLY DECEASED

Eleanor Heaton, Alan Ratcliffe, William Atherton, Kathleen Jordan. Eternal rest grant unto them ...

### EDUCARE E-LEARNING PACKAGE

The Liverpool Archdiocesan Safeguarding Office recommend to ALL parishioners (especially those who volunteer within the Parish), parents and schools that they should sign-up to this important training package. The purpose of the training is to raise awareness and understanding across all aspects of child and vulnerable adult activities. There are 7 modules - Child Protection, Child Protection in Education, Child Protection Refresher, Safeguarding Adults, Safeguarding Adults Refresher, Mental Capacity and Child Exploitation & Online Safety. The training is all online and can be undertaken on your own personal computer.

To download a brochure and see the courses available go to [www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk](http://www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk).

To access the training follow these steps:

1. Email [safeguarding@rcaol.co.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaol.co.uk) to register your interest.
2. Your email should contain your name, email address, the name of the parish and your role in the parish (if you don't have a specific role just state Other (parishioner)).
3. The Safeguarding Administrator will register your details with EduCare who will send you a Welcome letter telling you how to access the modules and asking you to set your password.
4. Once you are set up you can enter the system and complete the modules at your own pace. You can save and close at any time and resume whenever it is next convenient.

### DEMENTIA FRIENDS

The Archdiocese has joined the Dementia Action Alliance and is committed to making the Alzheimer's Society Dementia Friends sessions available in every Parish Community. We need people who will volunteer to train to become Dementia Friends Champions. If you already help in any way, or would like to apply for training or simply find out more, then please contact Maureen Knight at the Pastoral Formation Department on 0151-522-1046 or [m.knight@rcaol.co.uk](mailto:m.knight@rcaol.co.uk)

### COME CELEBRATE THE CHILD

St Pascal Baylon Primary School, Chelworth Ave,  
Liverpool, L16 2LN

**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> July, 2.00pm**

**Celebrant: Archbishop Malcolm McMahon OP**

**Activities to prepare for the Mass will begin at 1.00pm  
Please bring a picnic to enjoy in the grounds  
after Mass**

For more information, contact The Safeguarding Office at LACE on 0151 522 1043 or [safeguarding@rcaol.co.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaol.co.uk)

***"Let the children come to me!"***



## ABBEY FUNERALS

are hosting a

# ROYAL TEA PARTY

(To Celebrate The Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday)

on

**THURSDAY 9<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2016**

**1pm – 3pm**

at

**St Joseph's Hall, Chapel Street, Leigh**

**Free admission by Ticket only.**

**Tickets are available from**

**Abbey Funerals**

**94 Chapel Street**

**Leigh**

**Or contact Gemma Evans on 01942 261936**



**The Kathleen Atherton Academy of Dance**  
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## Music & Legends of the World

31<sup>st</sup> May - 4<sup>th</sup> June 2016 curtain up 7.30pm prompt  
St Joseph's Hall, Chapel St, Leigh  
For tickets please ring 01942 672173/07712 647200  
Ticket price from £11

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## MASS AND SERVICE TIMES THIS WEEK

12A = Twelve Apostles, StJ = Saint Joseph, SH = Sacred Heart, OL = Our Lady of the Rosary, StR = St Richard

### Sat 28 May

12A 5.30pm FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY Peggy Derbyshire L.D.

### Sun 29 May

**SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (YEAR C)**

StJ 8.30am MASS Kathleen & Francis Duffy R.I.P.

SH 9.30am MASS James Mannion (anniv.)

StJ 10.30am MASS Alice Milward (anniv.)

OL 11.15am MASS People of the Pastoral Area

StR 6.30pm MASS ON SUNDAY EVENING in our Pastoral Area

### Mon 30 May

**Weekday in Ordinary Time (Year II, Week 9)**

StJ 8.30am Morning Prayer

StJ 9.00am MASS Joseph Roarty R.I.P.

### Tue 31 May

**FEAST OF THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

StJ 8.30am Morning Prayer

SH 12.00noon MASS Dennis Appleton R.I.P.

### Wed 1 June

**Memorial of Saint Justin, Martyr**

StJ 8.30am Morning Prayer

StJ 12.00noon MASS St Jude

### Thu 2 June

**Weekday in Ordinary Time**

StJ 8.30am Morning Prayer

StJ 9.00am MASS Patricia Kearns R.I.P.

SH 12.00noon MASS Tommy O'Donnell R.I.P.

### Fri 3 June

**SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS**

StJ 8.30am Morning Prayer

(OL) 10.00am MASS at Moss Bank Court Patricia Carroll

StJ 12.00noon FUNERAL MASS Eleanor Heaton

SH 7.00pm MASS Helen Gradwell L.D.

### Sat 4 June

**Memorial of the Immaculate Heart of Mary**

SH 11.00am Exposition & Reconciliation

SH 12.00noon MASS Ellen Tollitt (anniv.)

12A 5.30pm FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY John Thompson L.D.

### Sun 5 June

**TENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (Year C)**

StJ 8.30am MASS Edmund, Teresa & Maurice Hurst (Anni & B'day Mem)

SH 9.30am MASS Alojzy & Anna Tesmer (anniv.)

StJ 10.30am MASS David Robinson (anniv.)

OL 11.15am MASS Anne Devlin

StR 6.30pm MASS ON SUNDAY EVENING in our Pastoral Area

**Sacred Heart Lottery** On 20<sup>th</sup> May the numbers drawn were 8, 10, 16. There was no winner of £40. Last week's estimated jackpot was £80. Please keep on buying weekly tickets and help build up the next prize more quickly.

**Our Lady's 500 Club** n/a

**Bonus Ball** No. 46 Mrs T Jones

We still have two numbers available on our Bonus Ball. See Margaret at Our Lady's church if you would like to join in.

### ST. EDMUND ARROWSMITH PARISH OFFICE

The office for the administration of our parish is based in St. Joseph's presbytery, Mather Lane. Email [stjosephs@live.com](mailto:stjosephs@live.com) or telephone 01942 673517 weekdays 8.30 - 4.00pm and speak to the parish secretary. In case of pastoral emergency only at other times you may contact any available member of the pastoral area team, if necessary even Fr Paul Seddon or Fr Paul Grady who are based in St. Margaret Clitherow parish.

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