# ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER

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Mission Statement
To have Christ at the centre of our lives, enabling us to grow in faith as a community where all feel welcome, loved and valued.

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Welcome to our parish news of St. Joseph the Worker 27 June 2021

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Hello and welcome to our parish family. We are looking forward to you returning to our church if you are able.

If you are able to go out and about then perhaps your priority is also to come back to Our Sunday Mass where we come into contact with Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament.

From Sunday 27 June we shall revert back to receiving Holy Communion at the normal time instead of at the end of Mass as we have been doing during the pandemic. You will continue to come up at the request of the stewards one row at a time. At the end of Mass, you will leave at the request of the stewards one row at a time. Masks still to be worn and two metre distance still to be observed. If you don't give by standing order, could you please put your offertory into the white bucket as you enter the church and pick up a newsletter.

Last Sunday, and the Sunday before, I invited you all to go on to the website www.thresholdsofhope.co.uk This website is all about Faith Formation for Adults. And to quote from the website "The more we deepen our understanding of a person, the better we come to

know them. The more profoundly we know them, the deeper our commitment to them and our love for them begins to grow. It's also true that when we love someone, we will naturally want to share the happiness this brings with others". The link is also on our Parish website. Each one of us ought to live the beautiful gift of our Catholic Faith both in our homes and as we go about our daily lives.

Please continue to say the Rosary as a family to end this pandemic, as Pope Francis asked us to do.

Our readings at Mass today tell us that God wants nothing but life and goodness for us. We all need to be healed in our own lives and gratitude for all that God has provided for us. Gratitude can be one of the most fruitful forms of our prayer when we are aware of God's constant presence in our lives. There are times of fear, pain, grief, anxiety, worry, frustration and disappointments which come daily into our lives. In these circumstances we need to raise our hearts and minds to God in prayer.

St. Paul encourages us to be and nurture in ourselves a spirit of generosity to those in need either in word or an act of kindness. Let us trust God that he will care for our every need and continue to reach out to our brothers and sisters, to both those near and far, through our charitable institutions for example CAFOD and the Brentwood Catholic Children's Society and the homeless through supporting Providence Row and others. We pray "We give thanks to the God of the living. He did not make us for death, but for life. His Son causes us to rise and give us himself, the bread of life to eat".

May God Bless our families and give life and hope to all our young people in these difficult times.

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#### **UPCOMING MASSES**

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)
THE WORD OF GOD

#### FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

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Saturday 26	Mass at 6.00 p.m. Peter & Marian Sycamore Int
Sunday 27	Mass at 10.30 a.m.
Monday 28	People of the Parish Church open all day for Private Prayer from 10.00 a.m.
Tuesday 29	Mass at 9.00 a.m.
	Church open all day for Private Prayer after morning Mass
Wednesday 30	Church open all day for Private Prayer from 10.00 a.m.
Thursday 1	Church open all day for Private Prayer from 10.00 a.m.
Friday 2	Mass at 9.00 a.m.
Private Praver	Church open all day for after morning Mass

The church is open for Private prayer all day.

Mass is celebrated privately except on Friday

when there will be a public mass at 9.00 a.m.

Saturday 3 Church open for private prayer from 10.00 a.m.
Confession by Appointment or before Mass on request

### FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B) THE WORD OF GOD

#### FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

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Saturday 3	Mass at 6.00 p.m.
•	People of the Parish
Sunday 4	Mass at 10.30 a.m.
Friday 9	Mass at 9.00 a.m.

#### **Mass Attendance**

Saturday 29 May: 37
Sunday 30 May: 53
Lovely to see so many children at Mass.

Mass

Don't forget to have a Mass said for repose of the soul of family and friends or those who are sick or private intentions. Envelopes are on the table in the Narthex. Please enclose a donation.

#### Collection

Unless you are paying regularly by Standing Order, please put your weekly donation in the white bucket as you exit church after Communion.

Thank you and God Bless.

#### **Baptism**

Sacrament of Baptism - Saturday's at 11.00am. Maximum number 15, Please wear a mask in Church - Application Forms available for our Parish Administrator (hutton@dioceseofbrentwood.org).

#### Ordination – Fr. Joseph (Shaun) Bailham

Ordination to the sacred Priesthood of Fr. Joseph (Shaun) Bailham OP on Sunday 4 July 2021, 12 noon at St Dominic's Church, Southampton Road, London, NW5 4LB. If we get enough people we could hire a minibus as he was at one time an Alter Server here at St. Josephs. If you wish to attend, please indicate to Fr. Leslie or one of the Stewards and place your name and contact details at the back of the church. Thank you.

#### **Anniversaries**

We pray for the anniversary of all our relatives and friends, especially those whose anniversary occurs at this time. **We pray for**: Daisy Sellers and Andrew Hagerty

Priests of our Diocese: Fr. James Hawes (2016), and Fr. James Littleton (1945) May these and all the faithful departed Rest in peace and rise in Glory. Rest in peace and Rise in Glory.

Please pray for all those who have lost a loved one during the pandemic - May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

#### Sickness

#### We pray for our sick in our parish:

Jacqueline Birnie, Norah McPherson, Mano Subryan, Diana Pearce, Liz Kent, Alan Bailey, Brian Donoghue, Patricia Green and Mary Alcock.

Our Lady of Lourdes intercede for them.
If there are any changes please let Fr. Leslie

PLEASE NOTE THAT IN FUTURE THE NAMES OF ALL THE SICK WILL BE CONTAINED ON A CARD THAT WILL BE PLACED ON THE ALTAR AT EVERY MASS.

PLEASE ALSO NOTE THAT DUE TO DATA PROTECTION REGULATIONS PARISHIONERS WHO ARE SICK NEED TO ASK FR. LESLIE FOR THEIR NAMES TO BE ADDED TO THE LIST.

#### From Fr. Dominic Howarth

The Bishops of England and Wales issued a key statement on Environmental issues last week, and you may be wondering what the Diocese of Brentwood is doing on this matter. This therefore seems a fitting moment to share with you some work that has been going on in the Diocese over the last few months, and to ask for your prayers.

- There is a group working on Environmental commitments and actions across the Diocese
- The work is going well, and drafts will be ready for Deaneries and others to consider in late June/July
- The resources for parishes will be rooted in our Catholic faith, with prayerful resources as well as calls to commitment and action
- Please keep the weekend of 2/3 October free from other parish appeals/ commitments, if possible, so that it can be a launch weekend for this key aspect of living faith, at a time when climate change is a global emergency.

#### More Details Later.

If you want to begin more quickly in your parish, then the best place to start is with the Cafod LiveSimply award. The resources and ideas to support a parish seeking the award are excellent; both practical and helpful. You will find everything at https://cafod.org.uk/Campaign/Livesimply-award

#### **COVID RESTRICTIONS**

From 26 June Holy Communion will be distributed after the Priests Communion (as we used to do), and NOT at the end of Mass. The Eucharistic minister can say The Body of Christ to which you reply Amen (as we used to do).

At the end of Mass, you will leave row by row at the guidance of the steward. DO NOT leave as a crowd.

We must keep 2 metre distance and continue to wear masks in church – use NHS app on a smart phone for track and trace and for church use name and telephone number.

From 29 June, there will be morning Mass on Tuesday and Fridays at 9.00 a.m. On other days, the church will be open for private prayer including Tuesday and Fridays.

#### **Mass Offering Envelopes**

Mass Offering Envelopes are in the Narthex.



As you may know, we have some serious repair and maintenance work to do on the uppermost bricks on the outside of the church, as the picture shows. We hope to have the repairs carried out shortly, and any donations that you feel able to make will be most welcome.

#### Day of The Lord

Our Sunday Masses Saturday 6.00 p.m. & Sunday 10.30 a.m. In our daily prayer, let me ask the Lord to give us the confidence to return to him on Sundays and to share with our community in the celebration of the Eucharist. We know that we will all have to live with Covid-19 and its variants but we need to give thanks to our Blessed Lord for the success of the vaccines and for his guidance to the scientists who have worked so hard to give us protection so that we can return to our Lord as many have returned to the shops etc. over the past weeks.

We need the 'Bread of Life' to sustain our immortal souls. We need our community to socially meet and pray together. For those who are unable to come to church for personal reasons, remember you are in our prayers.

Pope Saint John Paul II spoke of our amazement of the gift of the Mass and abiding presence of our Lord in the sacrament of the Altar. Here in lies our treasure, enriching our relationship with Jesus and bring together every aspect of the life and mission.

#### **Baptisms**

Numbers we are allowing will be 15. Please wear a mask. Contact the Parish Administrator for a Baptismal Form.

#### **First Holy Communion Parents**

We will shortly be informing you when the First Communion programme will be beginning. In the meantime – arrange a prayer area in your homes which can be seen by all. Pray with your children in particular the Rosary and bring your children to our Sunday celebration of the Fusharist

#### **Mass Intention**

It has always been a custom to have a Mass celebrated for deceased members of your family, someone in your family or know (sick) or special intentions. Please pray especially for your relatives who have gone to God. One day you will need the prayers of your family for your immortal soul, for God's mercy and forgiveness.

#### **Returning To Church**

Recently we gave out copies of a letter from the Bishops of England and Wales regarding "Returning to church." Because of the success of the vaccination roll out, perhaps it would be a good time to return to our Sunday holy Mass? I am sure some of you are out and about so do not forget our Blessed Lord. We need our community back to church to pray, receive our blessed Lord in the Eucharist, the Bread of Life and to socialize again with one another. Please pray about this and trust in the Lord's protection and our love for him. From 22 June weekday Mass will be celebrated at 9.00 a.m. on Tuesdays and Fridays.





**Pope on Twitter** 



Christ is alive and desires that each of you live. He is the true beauty and youth of this world. Everything he touches becomes young, becomes new, full of life and meaning.

Let us open our hearts to refugees, making our own their sorrows and joys; may we learn from their courageous resilience! In this way, together we can help create a more humane community, one big family

With the Bishops of Myanmar I plead that humanitarian corridors be allowed and that churches, pagodas, monasteries, mosques, temples, schools and hospitals be respected as neutral places of refuge. May the Heart of Christ touch the hearts of all bringing peace to Myanmar!

How often we leave the Lord in a corner, at the bottom of the boat of life, to wake Him only in a moment of need! Let us ask for the grace of a faith that never tires of seeking the Lord, of knocking at the door of his

#### Finance News

For the week ending 20 June you gave £108.98 of which £6.00 was through Gift Aid. Standing Orders for 6 April to 5 May: £1968.00 Thank you and God Bless.

#### Lourdes Holy Father's Day for Grandparents and the Elderly -

25 July 2021

At the end of January, the Holy Father announced a 'World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly' to be held annually on the Fourth Sunday in July (25 July 2021). The announcement formed part of Pope Francis' Angelus address on 31 January, a copy of which can be found at: http://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/angelus/2021/docume nts/papa-francesco\_angelus\_2021031.html

#### Parish Register

Please - whether you are a parishioner of many years or new to our parish (welcome), please visit our website and fill in your name, address and contact details. Also visit our website to request Baptism and First Communion forms. The Parish will find it much easier to communicate with you, and you with it, if you are registered. And of course, in these Covid times, we have to take bookings for Mass to ensure that we adhere to the restrictions. This process will be much simpler for all if you have already registered.

PLEASE REGISTER YOUR DETAILS WITH US. IT WILL BE A GREAT HELP



Why do we never tell jokes about pizza? They're too cheesy!

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