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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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Stewards Of The Gospel

"The important thing in evangelising is not to effortfully set out to try to convert someone, but to live one's faith as a Catholic attractively. It is important to trust that God is working".

Welcome to our parish news of St. Joseph the Worker 30 June 2019

UPCOMING MASSES

FEAST OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

Saturday 29	6.00 p.m. Pauric Curry RIP A Turvey
Sunday 30	8.30 a.m. Alice Walker RIP 10.30 a.m. For all Parishioners

JULY 2019

Monday 1	9.15 a.m. Veronica McDonagh RIP
Tuesday 2	9.15 a.m. Prof. Leslie Michaels RIP

FEAST OF ST. THOMAS

Wednesday 3	NO MORNING MASS
Thursday 4	9.15 a.m. Janet Martin RIP
Friday 5	9.15 a.m. Geoffrey Parker RIP 3.00 p.m. (until 4.00 p.m.) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Saturday 6	NO MORNING MASS 9.45 a.m. (until 10.15 a.m.) Confessions

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

Saturday 6	6.00 p.m. Bridget Massey RIP A Turvey
Sunday 7	8.30 a.m. Ints Michael Wallace 10.30 a.m. For all Parishioners

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Confession is available before all weekday Masses (on request) and on Saturday from 9.45 a.m. to 10.15 a.m.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Every Friday, 3.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m. Do come and join us in prayer and reflection

Prayer For Evangelisation

Loving Father, may we encounter Jesus Christ anew this day and live the Good News with joy. Through the power of your Holy Spirit, help us to "go out to the whole world and proclaim" our faith with confidence. Give us the courage to witness to the joy of the Gospel by our words and actions. Help our parish to become more welcoming and missionary, so that you may be known and loved by all people. We make this prayer through our Lord Jesus Christ your Son who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit one God for ever and ever.

GOLDEN JUBILEE OF OUR CHURCH

Saturday July 13.

Mass at 6.00 p.m., Bishop Alan presiding.

Drinks and nibbles in the Church Hall after Mass.

IN TODAY'S GOSPEL

On this the feast day of Saints Peter and Paul we focus on the gift of revelation through which these two giants of the Christian faith entered into the mystery of the Christian life.

Revelation can best be understood as a gift of grace through which we grasp or understand or receive insight into the mystery of God

in Christ. Revelation is a form of knowledge which reason itself cannot penetrate. We are blessed in today's Gospel to see revelation at work, so to speak. Peter's confession that Jesus is the Christ did not and could not come from "flesh and blood" or human thought or reasoning. Jesus is explicit and clear where this gift of revelation came from – from his heavenly Father.

Paul, having suffered intensely at the hands of his fellow believers, who constantly questioned his authority and credentials, pointed to this gift of revelation as the way in which he took hold of the gospel: "For I would have you know, brethren, that the gospel which was preached by me is not man's gospel. For I did not receive it from man, nor was I taught it, but it came through a revelation of Jesus Christ". There you have it in a nutshell: the two apostles were both the recipients of the grace of revelation.

We too seek this grace of revelation and, as St. Pope John Paul II explained, our search must draw us to the Father: "How did Peter come to this faith? And what is asked of us, if we wish to follow in his footsteps with ever greater conviction?" Matthew gives us an enlightening insight in the words with which Jesus accepts Peter's confession: "Flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but the Father who is in heaven". The expression "flesh and blood" is a reference to man and the common way of understanding things. In the case of Jesus, this common way is not enough. A grace of "revelation" is needed which comes from the Father.

Lord Jesus, grant me in ever-deeper measure the grace of revelation into rich panorama of Christian truth. I humbly confess that I cannot come to the fullness of contemplation of your face by my own effort and must let you take me by the hand.



Eucharistic Ministers for This Week's Masses (29/30 June 2019)

6.00 p.m.	Ian Restall Marian Anderson Ewa Kania
8.30 a.m.	Mary Allum Angela Mahoney John Spinks
10.30 a.m.	Mary Brooks Will Jackson Chris Brooks

Readers For This Week's Masses (29/30 June 2019)

6.00 p.m.	Ian Restall
8.30 a.m.	Alan Bailey
10.30 a.m.	Paula Sanders

Eucharistic Ministers For Next Week's Masses (6/7 July 2019)

6.00 p.m.	Gaye O'Regan Bill O'Regan Ann Howarth
8.30 a.m.	Lyn Birnie Jan Jarvis John Spinks
10.30 a.m.	Dominic De Albuquerque Tyrone Sequeira Will Jackson

Readers For Next Week's Masses (6/7 July 2019)

6.00 p.m.	Ann Howarth
8.30 a.m.	David Holt
10.30 a.m.	Will Jackson

Anniversaries

We pray for the anniversary of all our relatives and friends, especially those whose anniversary occurs at this time, especially:

Ursula Wing, Ann Davies, William Philbin, and Mary Wilkinson.

Priests of our Diocese:

Fr. James Littleton (1948), Fr. Patrick Curran (1973) and Fr. Patrick Carthy (1968).

May these and all the faithful departed Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory.

Please pray for Fr. William Young and Fr. John Garrett, parish priests of Barking and Stansted who are in hospital.

Remember

To have a Mass offered for your loved ones. One day we too will be a Holy Soul depending on others to pray for us. Book of Macabees – "It is a holy and wholesome thought to pray for our dead that they may be loosed from their sins". **DON'T FORGET TO PRAY FOR YOUR PRIESTS WHO HAVE GONE HOME TO ETERNAL LIFE. ALSO YOUR RELATIONS, FRIENDS AND PARISHIONERS.**

Sickness

We pray for our sick in our parish:

Daniella DiLisio, Simone Austin, Jacqueline Birnie, Nora McPherson, Mano Subryan, Beryl de Prazer, Diana Pearce, Greg Thomas, Liz Kent, Alan Bailey and Brian Donoghue.

Our Lady of Lourdes intercede for them.

If there are any changes please let Fr. Leslie know.

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.

Altar Servers –

THIS IS URGENT – VERY URGENT

Over the years our parish has been blessed with wonderful, committed Altar Servers. Serving at the Altar is not just a hobby that we do each week. It is part of who we are – following Jesus Christ. Serving at the Altar is a privilege – something we do out of love for him. Let others see what a difference our faith makes to our lives. As Altar Servers let us be a people of faith and strong followers of Jesus, let us respond generously to God's call. We require more Altar Servers at each Mass. Please contact Fr. Leslie. **We need help and we need it now!**



Welcome to all our parishioners and visitors to our Sunday liturgy.

Today's feast of Saint Peter and Paul honours two fundamental pillars of the early church. While all the Apostles form the foundation, Peter and Paul stand out very profoundly in terms of influence and work. And while some have wished to suggest division between them, the church insists that they must be seen together; hence their feast is set forth in this way. Today's readings speak to us of the

Apostle Peter. The Acts of the Apostles recount the persecution undergone by the first Christians in the year 42. St. Paul cites in the second letter to Timothy while he is in prison. He says "I am already on the point of being sacrificed, the time of my departure has come". No matter what happens, the Lord Jesus looks after his church. The power of our baptism, the power of our confirmation, all the love of the Bread that was delivered up, and of the blood poured out for our sins are, for each of us, the believers of the church, who truly believe and who sincerely love the Lord, a solid anchor to which each person can and must attach themselves, today and yesterday in good times and bad.

Let us say this prayer often. "You are the Christ, the son of the living God." Every blessing on each of you.

Fr. Leslie

History Of The Parish

Commemorative brochures celebrating our 50th Anniversary will be available shortly. We are looking for donations to offset the quite large cost of producing them. They are a very interesting read with many fascinating photos from the archives, just a few of which we have featured in the newsletter over the past few weeks. Current total of donations is £36.00 and we'll keep a running total going and let you know each week how the total is building.

Abseil Challenge

Brentwood Catholic Children's Society is looking for 35 'Fearless Fundraisers' to join #TEAM35 and undertake a thrilling 80 metre free-fall abseil from the ArcelorMittal Orbit in the Queen



Elizabeth Olympic Park, Stratford. The Abseil will take place on Friday 12 July between 5.00 p.m. and 8.00 p.m. and in order to secure a place, participants will need to pay a £50 non-refundable deposit and agree to raise a minimum of £150 in sponsorship (before Gift Aid) to support the work of bccs.

For further information please visit www.bccs.org.uk or contact Julie jabbott@bccs.org.uk /01268 784544/07912277413

One of our parishioners, 14 year-old Alex Thomas, has already signed up for this, but BCCS could do with a few more volunteers to join Alex and the others already committed. We'll be there on 12 July to take some pics too!

You can sponsor Alex at:

<https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/fundraiser-portal/fundraiserPage?pagelid=1075223>

Parish Safeguarding Representative

We welcome Sally Haggerston to this important role in the parish.

Hutton Hall Gardens – Open Day - TODAY

Saint Francis Hospice invites you and your friends to visit Hutton Hall Open Garden on Sunday 30 June 2019 between 11.00 a.m. and 3.00 p.m.

Come and see the beautiful gardens at Hutton Hall, Brentwood Essex, CM13 1RX and learn about the history of Hutton Hall. Available on the day will be cream teas and plenty of children's activities. There will be a tour with the gardener at 11.45 a.m. and a talk at 1.00 p.m.

Cost: £5.00 per person; children under 16 – no charge.

A Day With Mary

A day of instruction, devotion and intercession, based on the message given at Fatima in 1917.

Most Holy Redeemer Church, Petersfield Ave., Harold Hill, Saturday 6 July 2019.



10.00 a.m. Entry Procession of Our Lady. Angelus.

Crowning. Sung Litany Mass in honour of Our Lady, Celebrant and preacher: Fr. Carlo Mazzotta FDP.

Consecration of the Parish to the Immaculate. The Five Joyful Mysteries

12.15 p.m. Lunch break Please bring packed lunch

1.15 p.m. Exposition and Procession of the Blessed Sacrament. The Five Luminous Mysteries. Sermon on Our Lady by Fr Carlo Mazzotta FDP. The Five Sorrowful Mysteries. Silent Adoration. Meditations on the Passion

3.30 p.m. Tea break

4.15 p.m. Sermon on Our Lady. The Five Glorious Mysteries. Act of Consecration. Benediction Enrolment in the Brown Scapular and Conferment of Miraculous Medal

5.30 p.m. Finish.

During the day: Confession & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Church Opening Hours

We are lucky to be able to keep our church open for private prayer during the week from 8.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. Sometimes it may close early if Father Leslie is away.

Friendship Club



The Friendship Club celebrated their 20th year of visiting Heybridge Basin. Many thanks to Mary, Jan's sister for hosting and making us all welcome.

Golden Jubilee of the Parish

It has been suggested that the present generation of parishioners should mark this very special occasion, but we are not sure how to move this forward. There is a wide range of things that could be done but we want to open it up to you all, our parishioners, to come forward with suggestions to mark this very special occasion. Please do think about it and make your suggestions, in writing, to Chris Brooks. This is a wonderful opportunity for us to show our gratitude to our former parishioners who worked so very hard to build this beautiful church of God's abiding presence in Hutton and Shenfield.

First Holy Communion 2020

First Holy Communion forms are available at the back of the church. You have to be a practising Catholic and have thought and prayed about this next step on your child's journey of faith with their families. When you have completed this form please handed to Father Leslie personally after Mass. Please do not just drop it through the letterbox. Thank you in advance and God Bless.

Hall Booking Secretary

Father Leslie requires a Booking Officer who can make all bookings and liaise with the required forms. This is another very important role within the parish so do please give it some consideration and hopefully come forward.

Baptism At St. Joseph The Worker

If you wish your child to receive the Sacrament of Baptism then firstly please complete a form which you will find at the back of the church, and arrange an appointment to see Father Leslie. Best way to do this is to see Father Leslie after Mass. For your child to be Baptised you attend Mass regularly. In the Catholic Church this is an obligation, not a choice. At least one Godparent must be a Catholic and he or she must obtain a letter from their parish priest that they attend Mass regularly.

Safety, Safety, Safety

For safety reasons, all children must be accompanied by a parent when they use the toilet in the Parish Hall. Children should not use the toilet in the Parish room.

Save The Date - 1

The Bishop will be making his Parish Pastoral Visit on **Sunday 22 September 2019**. It's a long way off, but is a firm date for your diary.



Parish Administrator

Our new Parish Administrator is Mary Lockwood and we welcome her to this important role. She will be in the Parish Room, to the right of the Sanctuary, on Fridays. She will also be working from home. If you wish to have a Baptismal Certificate, or a Mass to be said, or indeed anything else she will be happy to help you.

Mass of Thanksgiving for Marriage and Family Life

Each year Bishop Alan celebrates this Mass for those who are married, newly married or celebrating special anniversaries. This year the Mass will be on Saturday 6 July at 3.00 p.m. in the Cathedral with a reception afterwards. If you would like an invitation (just one left) please speak to Fr. Leslie without delay. On the same day there is a conference in the Cathedral Hall for those involved in supporting and promoting marriage. There are more details to be found on the Diocesan website.

Golden Jubilee

The celebrations are getting closer and all is in hand (so far!) for a wonderful Mass and celebration of our Parish on Saturday 13 July at 6.00 p.m. If you haven't added your name to the list at the back of the church, please do so without delay.

Also if you have any photographs from the early days of St. Joseph, could you give them to Fr. Leslie? We are planning on having a photo montage in the Hall and it would be good to have as many old photos as possible. We will make sure the photos are returned in good condition after the celebrations.

Parish Golden Jubilee Celebration

Saturday 13 July at 6.00 p.m. If you are staying for refreshments in the Parish Hall (and we hope you are!) please could you help us with numbers for catering purposes. There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the church, and please also make a note of any dietary requirements/allergies.

New Parishioners

If you are new to our Parish, please introduce yourself and your family to Fr. Leslie after Mass. Please fill in a Registration Form which can be found in the church porch. We will also arrange a home visit from one of our Parishioners to welcome you and help you settle in.

Planters for Parish Jubilee Celebrations

Fr. Leslie would like some volunteers to arrange planters (if they could be donated, that would be good) for outside the church. Please see Jan Jarvis of Fr. Leslie.

Finance News

For the week ending 23 June 2019 you gave £293.81 of which £50.20 was Gift Aided.

Second Collection for Sick and Retired Priests: £250.86 of which £2.00 was Gift Aided

Standing Orders

These represent the most efficient method for you to support our Parish. Please complete a Standing Order form which can be found at the back of the church, and send it to your bank. If you are a tax payer, please do think about Gift Aiding your donation, which benefits the church by an extra 25% of your giving, at no cost whatsoever to yourselves.

Thank you and God Bless you.

Donations

Donations to the Parish can be made via HSBC. Account name: St. Joseph the Worker Catholic Church, Hutton. Sort Code: 40 13 22. Account No.: 61018884



Pope on Twitter



Saying "yes" to the Lord means having the courage to embrace life with love as it comes, with all its fragility and smallness, with all its contradictions.

The example of Saint John the Baptist invites us to be a Church that is always at the service of the Word of God; a Church that does not want to draw attention to itself, but to Jesus Christ.

Blessing is not about saying nice words or trite phrases; it is about speaking goodness, speaking with love. The Eucharist is itself a school of blessing

The Eucharist prepares us for a place in eternity, because it is the Bread of Heaven.

Children's corner

Welcome to children's corner.

Welcome to our children's corner. Have you noticed the Stations of the Cross in the school playground?

We invite parents and children to say this prayer together. God of mercy and forgiveness, you ask us to listen to your son, Jesus Christ. Open our ears to hear your word and fill our hearts with your love so that we may change our lives and the lives of others. Amen

IN THE GOSPEL TODAY

Jesus asks his disciples, "Who do you say I am?" Peter says that Jesus is the Son of God. Jesus is so happy with Peter that he makes him the Church's leader.

A PRAYER TO SAY

Dear Jesus, like Peter I believe that you are the Son of God. Help my faith in you to grow more and more each day. Amen.

CATHOLIC AND HAVE LOST TOUCH?

If you have been a non Church-going Catholic for a long time, it can be very helpful to read about contemporary Catholic beliefs and life. It may appear to you that some things have changed.

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