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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 18 April 2021

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LORD, LET YOUR FACE SHINE ON US



Welcome to all our parish family to our Sunday celebration today. We do hope to see more parishioners in the coming weeks.

I need to remind you of the obligation to make your Easter duties that is that you have to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation and the Most Holy Sacrament of the Eucharist between Easter and the Feast of the Most Holy Trinity, which will be on 30 May. You can fulfil this obligation in any Catholic Church.

Today's Gospel continues to speak about the appearances of Jesus to his disciples after the resurrection. It begins with a reminder of the story he told them of the meeting of Jesus on the road to Emmaus with two disciples and how they recognised Him and in the Breaking of Bread. Now they are still talking about this event when Jesus appears again, and the disciples are all over the place thinking they were seeing a ghost. Jesus asks why they are so frightened. "Touch me and see for yourselves". Then He invites them to eat with him

and reminds them of what he had taught them - what was written in the scriptures. Then He tells them "You are witnesses to this". Today we are witnesses to the Resurrection of Jesus. Perhaps we need to ask ourselves about our relationship with Jesus? Many people don't have that love and true belief in Jesus today which is so sad. Many have rejected Him. For us Jesus is God who took on our humanity for our sake. By his passion, death and resurrection He redeemed us from sin and death and opened for us the way to Our Eternal Home..

Lord look upon your people with love and kindness and by these Easter mysteries bring us to the glory of the resurrection.

UPCOMING MASSES

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER (B) GOD'S WORD

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY
Saturday 17 Mass at 6.00 p.m.
Fred Greenfield RIP

Sunday 18 Mass at 10.30 a.m. People of the Parish

The church is open for Private prayer from 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.

Mass is celebrated privately except Thursday & Friday when there will be a public mass at 9.00 a.m.

FEAST OF ST GEORGE - PATRON OF ENGLAND

Friday 23 Mass 9.00 a.m.

Saturday 24 Church open for private prayer from 10.00 a.m.

Confession by Appointment

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (B) GOD'S WORD FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

Saturday 24 Mass at 6.00 p.m.

Breda Conville RIP Mass at 10.30 a.m. People of the Parish

Please note Mass is celebrated each day privately except Fridays. For more public morning Masses, we need two stewards as a minimum as expressed in the guidelines for public services. Please come and help.

<u>Confessions</u>

Sunday 25

On Request (During the COVID 19 Virus)

Stewards

Now that we have returned to having public Masses, we will undoubtedly need more volunteers to steward the people attending Mass. Please do give it a thought. It's not a big task - you would be needed to take contact details, show people to their seat, and assist in bringing people up for Holy Communion a bench at a time so that there is no overcrowding in the aisle. Please please help if you can.

Weekday Masses

During the week our Church will be open for private prayer from 10.00 a.m. until 12.00 midday. If you are able, this will be an opportunity to visit Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament and find solace and peace from all that we have and going through these past few months. In particular, we pray for many grieving families who have lost a loved one from COVID-19.

During the week Holy Mass is said privately. If you wish Mass to be offered for a loved one/intention, please put them through the presbytery letter box. On Sunday Mass is celebrated for all our parishioners living and dead.

Covid Safety

Masks are to be worn in the church – please keep a safe distance unless you are one family bubble. Please sanitize your hands on entry and departure from the church.

Easter Egg

Congratulations to Stephen Sully who won the lovely Giant Easter Egg. Thank you for all who participated, it raised a



magnificent total of £525.00.

Welcome

We welcome Harry Jones into our parish community through the sacrament of Baptism. Please pray for Harry and his family as they bring up Harry to know and love God.

Date For Your Diary

Diocesan pilgrimage to Walsingham will take place virtually on Saturday 29 May – More details nearer the time. It will be live streamed.

Anniversaries

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

We pray for: Cecilia Whitehouse, Kath Stone, Denys O'Dowd, Louise East, Patrick Mitchell, Jean Lindsay, and Joan McCready. Priests of our Diocese: Fr. Arthur Ryan

(1919), Fr. Michael Enright (1966), Canon Thomas Smith (1977), and Fr. Simon Sullivan (1921),

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.

We pray for our sick in our parish:

Daniella DiLisio, Simone Austin, 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.

Streaming of Mass

If you are watching Mass streamed from a Catholic Church, please observe the following: Do not watch it in bed eating your breakfast (unless you have to be in bed). Do not watch the mass drinking tea/coffee. The Mass is sacred and through the media this great mystery is happening in your home. We should behave as if we are in church.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (confession)

By appointment or before Mass on request. **Bible Alive**

Please purchase a copy of Bible Alive so that we can reflect on the scriptures. I also want to encourage families to pray the rosary each day. Mary our Mother is our powerful intercessor. Please encourage all your families who are Catholic to attend mass on Saturday or Sunday.

Plenary Indulgences For The Year of St. Joseph

All this Year until 8 December 2021. You have the opportunity to commit yourself with prayer and good works, to obtain with the help of St. Joseph, head of the heavenly family of Nazareth, comfort and relief from serious human and social tribulations that today affect our world. You can gain a plenary indulgence in the usual conditions i.e. sacramental confession, Holy Communion and a prayer for the Holy Fathers intention.

You can do this if you meditate for 30 minutes on the Our Father or a retreat of at least one day that includes a meditation on St. Joseph. St. Joseph invites us to rediscover the filial relationship with the Father.

St. Joseph is the guardian of the Holy Family - may this inspire enthuse and encourage all families to live with the same 'intimate communion' love and prayer, by praying the Holy Rosary in families and engaged couples.

Retiring Collection

Next Sunday retiring collection for promotion of Vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

Rosary Leaflets

Brentwood Catenians have made available some Rosary leaflets that can be found at the back of the church. These leaflets are very informative and may hélp you with how to say the Rosary. They are free too! Just make sure you pick up one from the back of the Church. Happy reading!



Aid to Church in Need

From St. Joseph we must learn... Care and responsibility, we must learn to love the child and his mother, to love the sacraments and charity, to love the church and the poor (Pope Francis).

Should you wish to help the Church in Need please contact:

Aid to the Church in Need, 10-14 Benhill Avenue, Sutton, Surrey SM1 4DA. Tel: 0208 642 8668

A small Direct Debit would be a great help to our suffering Brothers & Sisters.

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.

First Holy Communion Parents

Hello, If your child is in year 3 and you wish him / her to prepare for their first holy communion at St Joseph's. You need to fill in the preparation form from our website. It must be filled in and sent back via email to the parish administrator (hutton@diocesesofbrentwood.org)

I am sorry at this time we can't name a date for the program to begin, because of Covid-19 and we are in lockdown. We do need to know the number of children so that catechists cans make preparation. Thank you to all who have sent back their preparation forms. Please note you must be a regular mass attender. Thank you all and we will keep you informed.



Pope on Twitter



The breath of faith is #prayer: we grow in faith inasmuch as we learn to pray

In the midst of the contradictions and perplexities we must confront each day, the din of so many words and opinions, there is the quiet voice of the Risen Lord who keeps saying to us: "Peace be with you!"

Jesus is the Risen One, the Lord who passed through death in order to lead us to safety. Even before we begin to seek Him, He is present beside us. He lifts us back up after our falls. He helps us grow in faith.

Mercy is made tangible, it becomes closeness, service, care for those in difficulty. I hope you will always feel you have been granted mercy, so as to be merciful to others in turn.

Finance News

For the week ending 10 April you gave £434.65 including £123.00 which was Gift Aided.

Thank you and God Bless.

Mass attendance

Saturday 10 April 6.00 p.m. 36 Sunday 11 April 10.30 a.m. 49

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes is cancelled this year as there are too many unknowns. An annual collection will be sent directly to Lourdes for the upkeep of the Shrine.

Catholic Safeguarding Project

Please see the newly published Safeguarding Project Implementation Newsletter which I received this morning. Full updates of work can be found on the Project Website: www.catholicsafeguardingproject.org

Thank You

Thank you for your Easter Offerings and Cards for Easter. It is very much appreciated. Thank you to the stewards, who made the running of the Easter services much smoother. Also Thank you to Jan and Mary for the beautiful Easter Flowers.

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. **HSBC**

St. Joseph the Worker Catholic Church, Account name:

Sort Code: 40 13 22. Account No.: 61018884

Vocation Praver Cards

The calling of the apostles.

Please pick up a vocation prayer card from the church as you leave. LORD JESUS CHRIST

You have chosen the apostles and their successors, the Bishops and Priests of the Catholic Church, to preach the true faith throughout the whole world. We beseech you to choose from among us in our parishes, priests and religions who will gladly spend their entire lives to make you better known and loved.

Sacred Heart of Jesus have Mercy on us. Immaculate Heart of Mary Pray for us. St. Joseph Pray for us.

St. John Vianney Pray for us.

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