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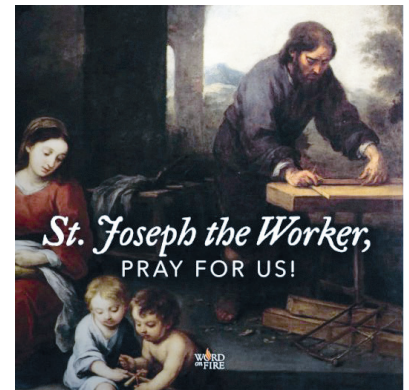
Mission Statement

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.

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 25 July 2021



IN TODAY'S GOSPEL

In the desert, the devil tempted Jesus to display his power and turn stones into bread to alleviate his hunger. Jesus dismissed his tempter, quoting Deuteronomy 8:3: "Man does not live by bread alone, but... by everything that proceeds out of the mouth of the Lord".

Whilst it is true that we do not live on bread alone, hunger bites deep and it is hard, as we discover in today's miracle of the feeding of the five thousand. When we are hungry, we can think of little else. Jesus, moved by compassion, catered to everybody's need - relieving their hunger. However, we know too that Jesus taught that we do not live on bread alone because "my Father gives you the true bread from heaven.. which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world".

The miracle of the loaves prefigures Jesus' greatest gift to the world, the gift of the Eucharist. In the Eucharist, we receive the nourishment that gives us strength and hope for our pilgrimage, but also a foretaste of the heavenly banquet. There is a German proverb which says: "Whose bread I eat, his song I sing". How true of those whose bellies were filled on the shore of the Sea of Galilee; how true of us today who receive Christ himself in the Eucharist.

With St. Ambrose, we declare with heartfelt conviction: "Christ is food for me, Christ is drink for me. The flesh of God is food for me, the blood of Christ is drink for me".

We hunger and thirst for many things: for forgiveness, to know God's love, for a living sense of God's hand on our lives. Sometimes, we do not even know what our needs are; we just know we need God. We encounter Christ supremely in the Eucharist, and in the Eucharist we touch the source and summit of the Christian life.

He who has a wound needs medicine. The wound is that we are under sin; the medicine we receive is the Eucharist".
(St. Ambrose)

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Upcoming Masses

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)

THE WORD OF GOD

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

Saturday 24	Mass at 6.00 p.m. Herc Michas RIP JGM Anderson
Sunday 25	Mass at 10.30 a.m. Ammanuel Rassam RIP
Monday 26	Church open all day for Private Prayer from 10.00 a.m.
Tuesday 27	Mass at 9.00 a.m. Church open all day for Private Prayer after morning Mass
Wednesday 28	Church open all day for Private Prayer from 10.00 a.m.
Thursday 29	Church open all day for Private Prayer from 10.00 a.m.
Friday 30	Mass at 9.00 a.m. Church open all day for Private Prayer after morning Mass

The church is open for Private prayer all day.
Mass is celebrated privately except on
Tuesdays and Fridays when there will be a
public mass at 9.00 a.m.

Saturday 31	Church open for private prayer from 10.00 a.m. Confession by Appointment or before Mass on request
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EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)

THE WORD OF GOD

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

Saturday 31	Mass at 6.00 p.m. People of the Parish
Sunday 1	Mass at 10.30 a.m. Andrew Burton RIP Jackson Family

Please remember to have a Mass said for
family and friends.

Anniversaries

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

We pray for: Angela Callabritto, Elizabeth
Chandler, Stephen Sutcliffe, and Baby
Phyllis Allum

Priests of our Diocese: Fr. John
Boardman Jones (1923), Fr. Michael
Hannan (1927), Fr. Dermot Moore (1966),
Fr. James Looney (1982), Fr. John Harding
(1969), and Fr. Michael O'Sullivan (1954)

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 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.



Hello and welcome to our Sunday Liturgy.

Some Sundays we are able to have a cantor and keyboard/
organist to play. There is a slight cost to have them, but I
am sure they are worth it.

Again I must stress the importance of prayer and scripture
reading in the family. Our families are the main teachers in
order to form your children's love for Jesus and for all of us
to come to church on Sunday. We are invited by Our Lord

to give him ourselves and to offer the sacrifice of the Mass in order that He may
feed us with his Body, Blood, Soul and divinity so that he shares our lives and
keep us safe from sin. Each household should have a copy of the Catechism of
the Catholic Church so that we may learn what is expected of us.

In today's Gospel we reflect on the compassion of Jesus because the people
were hungry and He fed them with bread and fish. However, they were not
only physically hungry but were hungry to hear what He said to them. Jesus
also has compassion for us. We hunger for his love, mercy, forgiveness and his
compassion. We also hunger for the bread of life. Jesus says to us "I am the bread
of life. He who comes to me will never be hungry; he who believes in me will
never thirst". Sweet heart of Jesus, give us the grace to love you more and more.

Have a blessed weekend with your families.

Fr. Leslie

Leonard Lodge

Become a friend of Leonard Lodge, Barchester
Healthcare.

Have you ever thought of volunteering and what
joy that can bring to yourself and others?

Leonard Lodge care home in Hutton, Brentwood
is looking for volunteers from the local commu-
nity to consider becoming a friend of our home
and support residents.

At Leonard Lodge we recognize the special im-
pact volunteers can have on the lives of residents
who live within our home. There are many ways
to volunteer and become a friend to our resi-
dents, we can talk to you and explore the best
ways that suit you, your personality, skills and in-
terests. The various ways in which people can
volunteer are endless, some volunteers love to be
very involved with our residents while others
prefer to do tasks that enhance their lives with-
out the face to face involvement, this might be a
person who is good at woodwork and they can
make a 'play your cards right' wooden display
board or large garden game or gardening advice
on multi-sensory area and plants.

For those who would enjoy more contact with
our lovely residents there are so many wonderful
ways that residents would appreciate for example,
chatting & reminiscing, scrabble, dominoes,
gardening with them, supporting trips out ,
helping our Activities Coordinators with events. To
find out more please contact Lynn or Julie on
01277 263939.

Email - activities.leonardlodge@barchester.com

200 Club

Thank you for all those who help the parish by
Joining the 200 Club. We would appreciate if
more would join. It costs just £2.00 per month
(£24.00 per year) and there is a monthly draw.
The parish gets half and you lovely people get the
other half in the form of a choice of three
monetary prizes - the first £50.00. Thank you.

Mass Offering Envelopes

Mass Offering Envelopes are in the Narthex.

Cathedral Concerts

On behalf of Andrew Wright, I am delighted to
inform you that on Friday 6 August six year old
violinist Hermione Duan will be giving her Debut
Concert in Brentwood Cathedral. This will take
place at the later time of 5.30 p.m. and will last
approximately 45 minutes. Hermione will be
accompanied by musicians from the Royal
Philharmonic Orchestra who will include her
violin teacher Jennifer Christie as well as
Roderick Elms on the organ and harpsichord.

As you are aware due to Covid restrictions we have
been unable to have our popular twice monthly
Lunchtime Recitals this year and we hope that this
Concert will be the start of many. In order to get an
idea of the number of people attending and due to
much interest, we are issuing tickets which you
can obtain by emailing Margaret MacLeay at
music@dioceseofbrentwood.org and which
you can collect on arrival at the Cathedral. As
is the case with these concerts there will be no
admission fee.

We very much look forward to welcoming you
back to Brentwood Cathedral. The wearing of
masks is obligatory and seating will be in
accordance with recent regulations in force for
attendance at the Cathedral.

200 Club winners

1st prize £50 - 2nd prize £30 - 3rd prize £20

APRIL	1 st :	A Edwards
	2 nd :	C&M Fitzpatrick
	3 rd :	P Shaw
MAY	1 st :	J Greenfield
	2 nd :	C Bray
	3 rd :	U Scully
JUNE	1 st :	P Downey
	2 nd :	R&E Kania
	3 rd :	J Sexton

Thank you for your support. Great to have new
members joining... the more members we have
the higher we can set the prizes. It's not too late
to join in time for our August draw. Good luck.

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Catholic Bishops' Conference of England And Wales

Statement from the Catholic Bishops of England

SUNDAY – IT IS OUR DAY

On 19 July, the current legislative powers which assist the mitigations against the covid-19 virus transmission will be rescinded by HM Government. Nevertheless, there will be an encouragement to personal and corporate responsibility in this area; as the Prime Minister said in his most recent statement "The pandemic is not over." Even without this legislation in place, the Church in England and Wales will be adopting a cautious approach to capacity and activity within our buildings, especially at corporate acts of worship.

We are mindful of the certain fact that the Covid-19 virus is still circulating in society. Vaccines provide genuine protection against the worst effects of the virus, yet we recognise the legitimate fear on the part of some who otherwise desire to gather for Holy Mass. It is our continuing judgement, therefore, that it is not possible at the present time for all of the faithful to attend Mass on a Sunday thus fulfilling their duty to God.

It is hoped that it will be possible for all Catholics in England and Wales to fulfil this most important Church precept, that of the Sunday Obligation, by the First Sunday in Advent 2021. In the meantime, all Catholics are asked to do their best to participate in the celebration of the weekly Sunday Mass and to reflect deeply on the centrality of Sunday worship in the life of the Church.

In April, following our Plenary Assembly, we offered a reflection on the experience of the extraordinary long months of the pandemic. It was titled The Day of the Lord. We also began to look at the way forward. We spoke about the important invitation to restore the Sunday Mass to its rightful centrality in our lives. We asked for a rekindling in our hearts of a yearning for the Real Presence of the Lord in the Eucharist, as our response to the total, sacrificial love that Jesus has for us. We said: "The Eucharist should be the cause of our deepest joy, our highest manner of offering thanks to God and for seeking his mercy and love. We need to make it the foundation stone of our lives."

May this continue to be our striving during these coming months as we journey back to the full celebration of our Sunday Mass and our renewed observance of The Day of the Lord.

Mass Attendance

Saturday 17 July: 22
Sunday 18 July: 47

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).

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

Thresholds Of Hope

Formation, Mission & Relationship. Hope makes us fully human, it forms us, gives meaning to our present and shapes our future. Crossing the Threshold of Hope we discover that it has a name: Jesus Christ. Please Visit the threshold of Hope website at www.thresholdsofhope.co.uk

Bible Alive

Bible Alive for June. Copies are available at the back of the church. If you wish to order call 01782 745600. Since very few people seem to be taking our Bible Alive, we may cancel our subscription in the future.

Sacrament of Confession

Available by appointment. We all need this Sacrament regularly – you can go to any church to receive the Grace of this Sacrament and Jesus Mercy and forgiveness. Please do not forget the Sacraments especially the Eucharist, Confession and the Sacrament of Marriage in particular.

First Communion Parents Update

We have not yet fixed a date for your child's first Holy Communion/Reconciliation program. However, I hope you are preparing your child at home by firstly gathering around his/her prayer table to say a prayer before they go to bed. Secondly - speak to them about Jesus in the sacrament of Holy Communion and meeting him in the sacrament of Reconciliation. Thirdly - talk to them about your love for these two wonderful sacraments and bring them to one of our two Sunday Masses. Remember you are the main teacher for your child's faith as you promised when he or she was baptised. We hope to let you know when the programme will begin. However, the above is what you as parents can do in preparation for their special day. If you wish to discuss the above or have any questions, please contact Fr Leslie.

Parish Sunday Afternoon Rosary Group

The group meets at 4.30 p.m. online, every Sunday, for about 30-40 minutes to say one set of the Mysteries of the Rosary (5 decades each week) and also to pray for the parish and any specific intentions.

Contact Tyrone tyroneseq@yahoo.co.uk for a link to be sent via email.



Pope on Twitter



Only a heart that is not taken over by hastiness is capable of being moved, that is, of not allowing itself to be caught up in itself and by things to do, and is aware of others, of their wounds, their needs. Compassion is born from contemplation

During summer time, let us learn how to take a break, turn off the mobile phone to gaze into the eyes of others, cultivate silence, contemplate nature, regenerate ourselves in dialogue with God

In these days of being hospitalized, I have experienced how important good health care is, accessible to all. This precious benefit must not be lost which needs everyone's contribution.

Let us pray for all the sick that may no one be left alone, that everyone receive the anointing of listening, closeness and care. We can all give it with a visit, a phone call, an outstretched hand.

Finance News

For the week ending 17 July you gave £159.50 of which £6.00 was through Gift Aid.

Don't forget that if you normally donate cash weekly, then please use the QR codes which can be found on the front page of the newsletter. This helps to keep the money coming in while reducing the amount of cash that we have to count, double check and then bank.

Thank you and God Bless.

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.

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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.

Light
Laughter

How do you stop an astronaut's baby from crying?
You rocket!

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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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