

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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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 5 July 2020

Parish Representatives

PARISH ADMINISTRATOR

Mary Lockwood
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HEALTH AND SAFETY OFFICER:

Sally Haggerston

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STEWARDS OF THE GOSPEL:

Mary Brooks

PARISH COORDINATORS:

Jan Jarvis

HEAD USHER:

Tim Murphy

FINANCE CHAIR AND GIFT AID:

Chris Brooks

PARISH PASTORAL TEAM:

Chris Brooks

MISSIO:

Clare Barton

NEWSLETTER:

Ian Restall

Welcome back to Mass at St. Josephs

Mass Times: Initially from 04.07.2020.

ONLY ONE MASS - Saturday vigil Mass 6.00 p.m.

Measures are in place to facilitate social distancing inside the Church.

You will not need "to book" to come to Mass, however inevitably social distancing measures will limit numbers.

ADVICE

- ♦ You may wish to wear a face mask, this is highly recommended.
- ♦ All toilets will be closed.
- ♦ There will be only one entrance to the Church, please use the main door by the crucifix, it will be clearly marked Entrance Only. Please do not enter by any other door.
- ♦ You will be required to hand sanitise when you enter the Church

SEATING DURING MASS

As in a restaurant, when you come to Mass, you will have to wait to be seated by one of the stewards in order to ensure social distancing and that all people are seated in an ordered fashion. You will not be able to sit wherever you please.

It is important therefore that you come to Mass in very good time in order that you can be seated and that Mass can start promptly. Latecomers will have to wait until an appropriate moment during the Mass to be seated in order to minimise disruption. In all these matters, we ask for your respectful cooperation with the stewards.

EXITING THE CHURCH

After Mass, you will only be able to exit by the door to the left of the narthex, it will clearly marked Exit Only

Please hand sanitise as you leave the Church.

All the measures that we are putting in place will be continually assessed and reviewed.

Please visit our website www.stjosephshutton.org or our Facebook page for up to date information or email our Parish Administrator on hutton@dioceseofbrentwood.org.

PLEASE BE AWARE - These circumstances are unprecedented, and we appreciate your understanding and patience as we work hard to ensure the safety of all people who will gather again in the presence of Jesus.

THANK YOU - Fr. Leslie would like to thank all those who have volunteered to be stewards. However, we are still urgently looking for volunteers to enable us to have a Sunday morning Mass. If you are considering volunteering, you should be 18 - 69, in good health and any members of your household should also be consulted.

DIOCESAN PRAYER IN THIS TIME OF RESTRUCTURE AND RENEWAL

Almighty and merciful Father, bestow your grace upon the Diocese of Brentwood.

We give thanks for the witness of past generations and pray for a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit that we may be ever more faithful to proclaiming the Gospel of Christ.

Bless our Bishop, the Clergy, the Religious and Faithful of our Diocese as we work together to evangelise our Diocese and fulfil our Vision. Graciously grant plentiful Vocations to the Priesthood, the Consecrated Life, Single Life and the Sacrament of Marriage.

Strengthen us in the communion of faith, hope and charity, United in prayer with our Holy Father the Pope, and the Universal Church.

We ask this through Jesus Christ Our Lord, Amen

St. Joseph the Worker	Pray for us
St. John the Evangelist	Pray for us
St. Helen	Pray for us
St. Erconwald	Pray for us
St. Margaret of Scotland	Pray for us
Our Lady of Lourdes	Pray for us

STEWARDS

We urgently need volunteers to be Stewards and help the parish adhere to strict Government guidelines and ensure the safety of our parishioners as they attend Mass at the church.

It would be wonderful if we could have enough stewards come forward so that we can have at least one Mass on Sunday while the restrictions are in place. We want to make the church as safe and welcoming as it is possible to be, but we need your help.

Please contact Fr. Leslie or email Mary Lockwood, our Parish Administrator, if you are able to help. hutton@dioceseofbrentwood.org

This is very urgent!

Mass Guidelines

These guidelines apply until further notice for Mass at St Joseph The Worker Hutton.

- Please respect the 2m social distancing guidelines at all times.
- Face masks are encouraged, please remove yours safely before coming to receive Holy Communion.
- No kneeling, please stand or sit.
- A collection plate is located in the Narthex. However, we urge you for safety reasons to donate online or set up a standing order, our bank details are contained in the newsletter.
- Members of the congregation must not exchange the sign of peace.
- After we say 'Lord I am not worthy...' Fr Leslie will raise the host then the chalice, saying The Body of Christ, The Blood of Christ - please respond by saying Amen.
- Fr Leslie will say the final Blessing and dismissal.
- You will then be directed by a steward to come forward to receive Holy Communion, with arms at full stretch and palms held upwards and flat, one on top of the other.
- Do not respond by saying Amen when receiving Holy Communion as you have already acclaimed the presence of the Lord.
- Please leave the Church directly after receiving Holy Communion, through the EXIT Door only. A steward will guide you
- You will be asked your name and contact details on arrival. These will be retained for 21 days.

Parish Finances

During this time of the Covid-19 pandemic, a number of parishioners have enquired about making online donations to support the continued running of the parish and to reduce the risks of handling and counting cash. You can make a payment directly into the parish bank account using online banking or by setting up a standing order for regular payments. You will need to set up - Catholic Church Hutton and Shenfield St. Joseph The Worker as a payee on your online banking app or internet page.

The Parish Bank details are as follows:

HSBC High Street, Brentwood, Essex.

Sort Code: 40-13-22.

Account number: 61018884.

Please add your Surname and Initial as a reference. Additionally if you are part of our Gift Aid scheme, then please also add your Gift Aid number (GA). If you're not yet part of our Gift Aid scheme then please enquire about joining.

St. Joseph the Worker 200 Club

The 200 Club offers a great opportunity to win cash prizes in our monthly draw and also support our Parish fund raising activities.

A draw is made every month:

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

It costs just £2.00 per month to join, payable by completing a standing order form.

Thank you in advance for your support.



Fourteenth Sunday in ordinary time (A)

A big welcome to all our parishioners to our Sunday celebration.

We are now allowed to celebrate our Sunday Mass in our churches. However, you need to be aware that there will be a limit on the numbers of people who can attend. We are aware there will still be many people who cannot attend Mass in person. For those of you who still can't attend Mass they can watch from those parishes who will be live streaming Sunday Mass, both for those who are shielding and vulnerable. For those who are able to come to church you will find many changes. Please follow the Steward's directions.

Our income has taken a huge hit and we have a lot of maintenance work to be done as well as day to day expenses. Because of the virus we recommend making your donation via standing orders if at all possible. Standing order forms are available by email Mary Lockwood, our Parish Administrator at hutton@dioceseofbrentwood.org

Also, if possible, please could you reflect on increasing your giving to help us in our day to day ministry and outreach. We have been working on a new website which should be up and running by September. Our grateful thanks to Ian Restall and all who have helped him.

At present the hall and toilets are both closed. We are sorry for this inconvenience but we have to listen to what we are told.

In today's reading St. Paul tells the church at Ephesus. "I bow my knees before the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name".

Every blessing on your families and have a good weekend.

Website

The current St. Joseph website is very old and is difficult to update. It still provides a wealth of information about the parish, and the weekly newsletter is always uploaded to the website, under "Communication" in an effort to keep parishioners in touch with developments in these very challenging time. We are currently building a new website which we hope will be complete by mid-September. This will be a giant step forward for the parish and will enable much better communication between us. In the meantime, the existing website contains everything you need to know about Mass times and the seemingly ever-changing requirements and guidelines for us to operate a safe and secure place of worship.

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Parish database

We are also working on the Parish database. The Covid-19 situation has highlighted the fact that some of our records are out of date and it has been difficult to communicate effectively with all of you in the manner we would like to. The website is there, of course, and we have also added a Facebook page on which we can publish new information, but we would like to improve the effectiveness of the parish database as well. We are planning a "census" in September when we will be asking you for your details so that we can update the database and your cooperation will be greatly appreciated. Rest assured that we will remain GDPR compliant throughout.

Parish Administrator

Our parish administrator is Mary Lockwood. She is present on Fridays in the parish office/parish room situated in the church opposite to the Blessed Sacrament chapel. Please contact her by phone 01277 221917 or on email: hutton@dioceseofbrentwood.org Mary will deal with any queries or appointments to arrange baptisms or to make appointments to see Fr. Leslie. Mary has been employed to assist Fr. Leslie so that the parish runs smoothly and to make life a little easier for Fr. Leslie.

Sickness

We pray for our sick in our parish:

Daniella DiLisio, Simone Austin, Jacqueline Birnie, **Nora McPherson**, Mano Subryan, Diana Pearce, Greg Thomas, Liz Kent, Alan Bailey, Brian Donoghue, and Patricia Green.

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.

New Directory For Catechesis as “A Joyful Event in The Life of the Church”

“The publication of a Directory for Catechesis is a joyful event in the life of the Church.” These were the opening words of Archbishop Rino Fisichella, president of the Pontifical Council for Promotion of the New Evangelization, during a press conference in the Vatican organized on the occasion of the release of a new Directory for Catechesis on Thursday.

Presenting the Directory, Archbishop Fisichella said the new edition, the third since the Second Vatican Council, is the result of a wide international consultation.

The new Directory for Catechesis was released in Italian on Thursday. It will be also published in other major languages.

Other speakers at the press conference included Archbishop Octavio Ruiz Arenas and Bishop Franz-Peter Tebartz-van Elst, Delegate for Catechesis and Secretary of the Pontifical Council for Promotion of the New Evangelization respectively.

BACKGROUND

Archbishop Fisichella notes that “the need for a new Directory was born of the process of inculturation which characterizes catechesis in a particular way and which, especially today, demands a special focus.”

He cites the example of the global phenomenon of the digital culture, pointing out that the instruments created in the last decade manifest a “radical transformation of behaviours” that influence “the formation of personal identity and interpersonal relations.” This new model of communication and formation “also affects the Church in the complex world of education.”

Theological and ecclesial reasons have also contributed to the preparation of

the new Directory. Fisichella recalls that several recent synods have consistently treated the theme of evangelization and catechesis. Pope Francis also picked up the theme in his Apostolic Exhortation *Evangelii gaudium* during the twenty-fifth anniversary of the publication of the Catechism of the Catholic Church.

“Catechesis, therefore, must be united intimately with the work of evangelization and cannot be separated from it,” Fisichella affirms. This is because “Evangelization is the task that the Risen Lord has entrusted His Church in order to be, in the time of every age, the faithful announcement of his Gospel.”

“KERYGMATIC CATECHESIS”

“The heart of catechesis is the proclamation of the person of Jesus Christ,” Fisichella said. Jesus “surpasses the limits of space and time to present Himself to each generation as the good news offered to reach the meaning of life,” he added.

Fisichella points out that in light of *Evangelii gaudium*, the Directory supports a “kerygmatic catechesis” because “primacy belongs to evangelization, not to catechesis.”

Therefore, the proclamation of the person of Jesus (the kerygma) is also a proclamation of the mercy of God directed at the sinner, who is no longer excluded, but rather a privileged guest at the banquet of salvation.

VARYING THEMES

Fisichella explains that the Directory unfolds by touching on various themes.

The first – mystagogy – is presented through two elements: a renewed appraisal of the liturgical signs of Christian initiation, and the progressive maturation of the formation process, which involves the whole community.

Another theme is the link between evangelization and the catechumenate. This highlights the urgency of a “pastoral conversion” to free catechesis from elements that prevent its effectiveness.

Reiterating Pope Francis’s words in *Evangelii gaudium*, when he encouraged formation using in the “way of beauty” (via pulchritudinis), Fisichella points out that the Directory “has placed the way of beauty as one of the ‘sources’ of catechesis.”

The Archbishop also highlights that the Directory strives to “insert us progressively into the mystery of the faith.” He points out that this characteristic cannot be limited to a single dimension; rather catechesis can guide us to accept and live the mystery “completely in our daily existence.”

In his intervention, Bishop Franz-Peter Tebartz-van Elst said that the Directory is attentive to the signs of the times and interprets them in the light of the Gospel. He pointed out that it gives courage to the content of faith and underlines the importance of catechesis in the wider process of evangelization. He also hopes that many local churches would be inspired to develop their own diocesan directories based on this new Directory.

Concluding, Archbishop Fisichella said he hopes the new Directory will be of assistance for the “renewal of catechesis in the process of evangelization that the Church has not tired of carrying out.”

