

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER

Parish Hutton and Shenfield

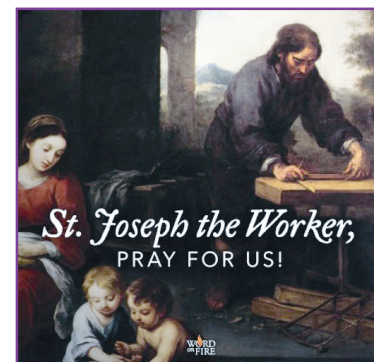
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Mission Statement

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 30 July 2023

UPCOMING MASSES

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR A

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

Saturday 29 6.00 p.m.
Lee Frances Kenny RIP
Sunday 30 10.30 a.m.
For Our Parishioners
3.00 p.m. – 4.00 p.m.
Adoration of the
Blessed Sacrament (Do come
along to pray to Jesus)

WEEKDAY MASSES

(Subject to Change i.e. For Funerals)

Tuesday 1 9.00 a.m.
Wednesday 2 7.30 p.m.
Thursday 3 9.00 a.m.
Friday 4 9.00 a.m.
Saturday 5 10.00 – 10.30 a.m.
Sacrament of Reconciliation

Do try and come to a weekday Mass.
We all need Jesus.

TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD – YEAR A

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

Saturday 5 6.00 p.m.
Wedding Anniversary
Sunday 6 10.30 a.m.
For Our Parishioners
3.00 p.m. – 4.00 p.m.
Adoration of the
Blessed Sacrament

CHORAL VESPERS

Choral Vespers is celebrated in the
Cathedral on Wednesdays at 6.00 p.m.
Please try and join us.

Please Note: Newsletter goes to print a
week in advance, keep this in mind if you
want mass intentions said.

Food In Church

Please do not bring food for your children
into the church – other than someone has
to clean it up, it is against Health & Safety
good practice as it attracts insects etc. –
Please help us!

Friday Obligation

A reminder that as Catholics we are obliged
not to eat meat on Fridays.

Church Cleaners are always welcome

See elsewhere in this newsletter for further
details or contact Fr. Leslie.

Mass Attendance

Saturday 22 July: 47
Sunday 23 July: 70

Holiday season

Fr. Leslie wishes everyone a happy, safe and
restful holiday.



Welcome to our parish family and to our visitors and our lovely children.

May I remind you to have a Mass said for your deceased relatives and friends that their journey through Purgatory will bring them into Eternal Life with God for ever. Envelopes are at the back of the church for this purpose.

Prayers before the Blessed Sacrament are available. To order call 01782 745600. The gospels are also available on 01782 745600.

Jesus’ parable ministry was foretold in the Psalms: “I will open my mouth to speak in parables: I will proclaim what has been hidden from the foundation of the world”. Whether you hear today’s parables or read them for yourselves at home, bear in mind that you’re coming into contact with a wisdom which was hidden since the creation of the world but has a been made known through Jesus. You are touching the very wisdom of God! Our vocation is a call to holiness, to become saints. Our task is to allow our faith, our great love of God, to permeate through our families, our workplace and any sphere of influence we might have.

St. Ignatius of Loyola said “Pray as if everything depended on God and work as if everything depended on you“. Don’t forget to pray the rosary each day as Our Lady requested for our world and the conversion of sinners in this year, the 106th anniversary of her appearance at Fatima to the three children. There are leaflets at the back of the church to help you. This is a most powerful prayer after the Sacrifice of the Eucharist.

“O Sacred Heart of Jesus, give us the grace to love you more and more“.

Every blessing on your families.

Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday 29 July 6.00 p.m.
Ian Restall
Marian Anderson
Sunday 30 July 10.30 a.m.
Chris Books
Bill O’Regan
Saturday 5 August 6.00 p.m.
Stella Walker
Mark Brennan
Sunday 6 August 10.30 a.m.
Mary Allum
Lyn Birnie

Readers

Saturday 29 July 6.00 p.m.
Mark Brennan
Sunday 30 July 10.30 a.m.
Sharon Ruffles
Saturday 5 August 6.00 p.m.
Ian Restall
Sunday 6 August 10.30 a.m.
Peter Sanders

Message from Bernadette Rossiter

Thank you to the Parish and the governors for arranging the beautiful mass on Sunday 16 July. It was lovely to see so many present and former pupils, parents, staff and governors. I was overwhelmed by your kind words and good wishes. Mrs Giles’ choir sang magnificently. Thank you. Thanks also to Fr. Leslie, the readers and those who served. It was wonderful to see you all. I have loved being headteacher of the parish school and I am very proud of St. Joseph the Worker. When I was appointed initially as Deputy in February 1993, I never imagined I’d be part of this community for 30 years! It has been such a privilege.

I have worked with many amazing people over the years (too many to name) and learnt so much from them. It has been an honour to work alongside such talented children, staff and governors and I am very grateful to every member of the team.

Thank you to Fr. Leslie, the parish and parents for your support and help over the years.

Journey Home Threshold of Hope (Continued)

The joy that the discovery of the kingdom brings involves a willingness to give up everything else for it. Jesus' emphasis is on the joy rather than on heroic self-sacrifice or surrender. There's great joy in finding the true treasure that is the kingdom. The question is, are we willing to pay the price? Sometimes, realizing the cost, we want and yet we don't want, we seek but we don't actually want to find, we're like people waiting at a bus stop, yet hoping that the bus won't come! In a way Christians are always seeking treasure, always finding new aspects of it, always searching. This search may lead us in many different ways, and we may know different ways, and we may know a real restlessness until we find our true home in God. As John Henry Newman said, 'To live is to change, and to be perfect is to have changed often.' And yet it's really God who is searching for us and seeking to bring us safely home.

First Communion Programme 2023/2024

For all parents that registered their child on the first communion programme.

The first parent meeting is on Wednesday 13 September at 8.00 p.m. in the parish hall.

The first Childrens meeting is Saturday 23 September 9.15 a.m. - 10.30 a.m. in the parish hall.

Vacancy – Parish Administrator – St. Joseph the Worker

St. Joseph the Worker, Hutton is looking for a Parish Administrator to provide complete and comprehensive administration for the church community. The candidate must have excellent written and verbal communication skills and be able to manage their own workload. The post is for 12 hours a week, over 2 days (one must be a Friday). Closing date is noon on Friday 11 August 2023. CV and Covering letter required for application. For further information (as well as Job Description) please contact Fr. Leslie Knight on 01277 221917 or email hutton@brcdt.org

BCCS

Stallholders needed for Christmas Craft & Gift Fair: The Brentwood Catholic Children's Society are seeking stallholders for their Christmas Craft and Gift Fair being held at The Mill Hall Arts & Events Centre, Bellingham Lane, Rayleigh SS6 7ED on Sunday 5 November from 10.30 a.m. – 4.00 p.m. Pitches are £30 and all profits made on the day are the stallholders' own. For further information please contact Damian: ddillon@bccs.org.uk / 07912 308000

Flower Arrangers

We only have two or three flower arrangers, we would welcome new members who love arranging flowers, so that our church looks lovely. For informal chat, please contact Jan Jarvis 07561 894327. Please Help.

Music at Mass

The second Vatican council decree on the liturgy 'the musical tradition of the universal church is a treasure of the universal church of immeasurable value, greater than any act.'

We really need to form a small choir from our parish community to lead our singing. Together we have great voices, but we need someone to lead us all in our singing. We would also like to have some Gregorian chants from time to time. I would like to have a meeting of those interested in forming a choir for the 10.30 a.m. Mass. Also we need an organist or keyboard player so that we can offer beautiful music to Jesus – and on special occasions. Please do come forward.

BCCS

Brentwood Catholic Children's Society (BCCS) is looking for a part time Finance Assistant to join the team working from their head office in Billericay High Street. Initially the role is for 10 hours per week, with the potential to increase hours as training continues. A job specification and application form are available on their website at <https://www.bccs.org.uk/who-we-are/work-us/> If you are interested and would like further information, please contact Fiona Reading freading@bccs.org.uk

Catholic Listeners

Catholic Listeners is a confidential telephone helpline service set up for those returning Catholics who want to return to the faith and need a safe space to be heard. A Diocese of Westminster initiative, the helpline is staffed by a team of volunteers who are welcoming, friendly, empathetic and non-judgemental. The helpline is based on the Landings ethos of compassionate listening. Operating three days a week from 4.00 p.m. – 7.00 p.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays calls are free to the helpline on 0800 448 0704 or by email at Catholiclisteners@gmail.com

March for Life - Important

March for Life UK happens in London on Saturday 2 September. Many are concerned about restrictions on freedom but it's often not until these restrictions affect us personally that we speak up. Abortion destroys the most fundamental freedom, the freedom to live, and leaves so many women and men deeply hurting. Join thousands of others at this family-friendly event to speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves. Full details can be found at marchforlife.co.uk This is so important.

Light

Laughter

I just paid £200 for a belt that doesn't fit!
What a huge waist!



Pope on Twitter



Thousands of migrants from the northern part of Africa have been trapped and abandoned in desert areas for weeks. I appeal in particular to European and African heads of State to provide urgent relief and aid to these brothers and sisters.

Many countries are experiencing extreme climatic events. I reiterate my appeal to the leaders of Nations, that something more tangible be done to limit polluting emissions: it is an urgent challenge and affects everyone. Let us protect our common home!

May politics, which is called to provide for the needs of the most fragile, never forget #GrandparentsAndElderly nor allow the market to banish them as "unprofitable waste". We must never become incapable of accompanying them in our drive for a utopian efficiency.

Let us not forget our #GrandparentsAndElderly, for so often we have been lifted up, felt loved and been healed within, all thanks to their care. Let us grow together; let us strive forward together. The Lord will bless our journey!

Finance News

For the week ending 23 July you gave £180.00 including £54.00 via Gift Aid.
Thank you and God Bless

Anniversaries

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

We pray for: Rose Phyllis Allum, Philomena Dawson, Jean Smith, and Hannah Baynham

Priests of our Diocese: Fr. Michael O'Sullivan (1954), Fr. Thomas Jordan (2020), Fr. Richard Rowe (2022), and Deacon Frederick Wall (2003)

Please pray for all those who have lost a loved one during the pandemic – May these and all the faithful departed Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory.

Let us never forget our former priests or parishioners. They were part of our parish family. We pray that they will be part of the church triumphant and pray also for holy souls in purgatory the church suffering and for ourselves on our journey the church militant.

Baptism

Sacrament of Baptism – Saturdays at 11.00 a.m. Application Forms available for our Parish Administrator (hutton@dioceseofbrentwood.org).

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