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"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".

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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 19 May 2019

UPCOMING MASSES

THE SEASON OF EASTER

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

Saturday 18	6.00 p.m.
Sunday 19	8.30 a.m. 10.30 a.m. For parishioners
Monday 20	9.15 a.m. Holy Souls
Tuesday 21	9.15 a.m.
Wednesday 22	NO MORNING MASS
Thursday 23	9.15 a.m.
Friday 24	9.15 a.m. 3.00 p.m. (until 4.00 p.m.) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Saturday 25	11.00 a.m. First Communion Mass 9.45 a.m. (until 10.15 a.m.) Confessions

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

Saturday 25	6.00 p.m.
Sunday 26	8.30 a.m. Holy Souls 10.30 a.m. For all parishioners

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

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

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

On Fridays, 3.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m.

IN TODAY'S GOSPEL

Shortly before his death, Jesus gave his disciples, and us, a new commandment: 'A new commandment: I give to you, that you love one another; even as I have loved you, that you also love one another'. To be a disciple is to be called to a life of love. And in particular to

agape love, which is rooted in self-sacrifice, in loving without thought of return, freely and unconditionally. Christian love is probably both the most important of all the Christian virtues and the hardest to achieve. We may have faith, we may have hope, but we don't always have love.

Here's the thing about love: we all want to be loved – more than anything else in the world we crave love. The Greek philosopher Aristotle said: 'No one would choose a friendless existence on condition of having all the other things in the world'. In other words, we were created to receive love and to give love. None of us is an island; none of us is without the capacity to love and be loved. Love, however, is rather like mercy: to show mercy, we must first receive mercy; to love, we must first know we are loved. So we see that to be a Christian is to be called to live a life of love. But how far short we fall. None of us loves as we should love. Our hearts incline so easily to malice, envy, jealousy and rage. How can this be when we are called to love? We cannot love with our old hearts – they are callous and hard. No, a new commandment requires a new heart: the heart of the new creation, the heart of Christ.

This new heart of love is a blessing of the Spirit which we receive when we call upon God's help, grace and strength to love in those situations where we find it hard to love, to forgive where we find it impossible to forgive and to show mercy where we, left to our own devices, are devoid of mercy.

This kind of love, agape love, is the blessing and fruit of the Spirit, and to this we are called and for this we receive every spiritual blessing and grace. *Lord God, please give me the grace and strength to love, forgive and show mercy in those situations where in my own strength I find it impossible to do so.*



Save The Date – 2

Our celebrations to mark our BIG anniversary will be held on **Saturday 13 July 2019**, starting at 6.00 p.m. It is 60 years since the first Mass was said here in Hutton, and 50 years since the foundation of the church. The Bishop will be presiding at our celebratory Mass on 13 July. And make sure 13 July is in your diary!

P.S. We would welcome any suggestions that you have as to how we can celebrate these milestones; please drop Ian Restall an email at ian.restall@design-portfolio.co.uk



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.



Eucharistic Ministers for This Week's Masses (18/19 May 2019)

6.00 p.m. Bill O'Regan
Gayle O'Regan
Stella Walker
8.30 a.m. Lyn Birnie
Jan Jarvis
John Spinks
10.30 a.m. Sharon Ruffles
Hyacinth Albuquerque
Sarah Barber

Readers For This Week's Masses (18/19 May 2019)

6.00 p.m. Ann Howarth
8.30 a.m. Julie Stone
10.30 a.m. Sheila Jones

Eucharistic Ministers for Next Week's Masses (25/26 May 2019)

6.00 p.m. Ian Restall
Stella Walker
Marian Anderson
8.30 a.m. Angela Mahoney
John Spinks
Mary Allum
10.30 a.m. Mary Brooks
Chris Brooks
Tyrone Sequeira

Readers For Next Week's Masses (25/26 May 2019)

6.00 p.m. Stephen Howarth
8.30 a.m. David Holt
10.30 a.m. Paul Downey

Anniversaries

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

Horace Bushey, Kathleen Gore, Mary Ward, Philomena Magee, Gerald Rimmer, Stanley Sullivan, Sheila Curtis, Margaret Bailey and Leon'e Craddock.

Priests of our Diocese:

Canon Thomas Clarke (1959), Canon Michael Fitzpatrick (1939), Fr. Brendan Sheppard (1969), Mgr. Canon William O'Grady (1954), Fr. Henry Peace (1990), Fr. Charles Carless (1939) and Fr. Austin Thornburn (1950).

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

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.

200 Club and GDPR

Would any members of the 200 Club not wishing to have their name published in the newsletter or any members who object to me holding their data electronically please contact Fr. Leslie without delay. *Thank you and God bless*



Welcome to all our parishioners to our Sunday liturgy.

In today's Gospel Jesus asks Peter to put out into the deep and lower the nets for a catch. For Peter that instruction did not make sense. Peter made the point that he had been out all night and caught nothing. But Peter did as Jesus requested and had a big catch of fish.

Today our world is in disarray because people do not obey God's teaching. Obedience to God is the key to lasting peace and real prosperity in the world. People have forgotten the

One who loves them. They have walked away. People have no time for Jesus and that sadly is their choice. We all have to stand before him. For us will it be as a stranger or a loving friend?

Jesus said to Peter three times "Do you love me?" and Peter said "yes you know I love you". There is always time to return to Jesus with those words of Peter to Jesus through his Sacrament of mercy and love but don't put it off. Make time for prayer especially the Rosary. Reflect on the word of God. Jesus told Peter "Do not be afraid". Let us pray that the Lord may give us the courage and strength to obey his teaching and commands. Let us pray that we have the courage to proclaim the truth of Christ's teaching with firm conviction, boldness and courage and bring people to a living and dynamic faith that leads to true freedom and fullness of life.

I wish you all a happy Sunday with your families .

For Our Young Parishioners Brentwood Catholic Youth Service

BCYS EVENTS – see also Parish Noticeboard
For more information and to apply for any of our events, please visit www.bcys.net/events

BCYS CHARITY FOOTBALL MATCH 13 JULY, ROBERT CLACK LEISURE CENTRE, DAGENHAM

Last year young people (16-18s) beat the leaders (18-27) by a hefty 6-2. Will 2019 be the year the leaders regain their pride? If you are 16-27 and want to play, sign up now. All proceeds will go towards supporting bursaries for BCYS events. For more information, visit our website.

AN EVENING WITH MATT MAHER 31 MAY 2019, SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL.

Flying in from the USA, Matt Maher leads an evening of Prayer, Worship and Adoration. He is an eight-time GRAMMY nominee, international Christian artist, songwriter and worship leader. Open to those aged 16+, tickets are available on our website for £10 each! Meet in London.

SUMMER LOURDES 2019 20 - 27 JULY 2019, LOURDES

Join our hugely popular Summer Lourdes Pilgrimage. We assist the elderly and infirm on the annual Diocesan pilgrimage. This event is open to those in years 10 and above. The trip is now full for 2019; applicants will be added to a waiting list and notified if a place becomes available.

YOUTH GATHER

26 - 27 OCTOBER 2019, ESSEX OUTDOORS, EAST MERSEA

Back on Mersea Island, we'll combine climbing high ropes, abseiling, zip wires and more, with speakers and workshops to give you fresh insights into yourself and your faith. This is open to those in year 9 and above, applications will open at the end of July.

MONTHLY YOUTH MASS

8.00 p.m. First Wednesday of the Month, Brentwood Cathedral If you would like to know more, please email group709@hcpt.org.uk.



With our 50th and 60th anniversaries fast approaching (13 July) we thought it a good idea to remind ourselves of how, and where, our church in Hutton began! This is No.2 in the series.

We have a few pictures from the archives which we will share with you over the coming weeks. In the meantime we start with this pic noting that 500 people including ministers of other denominations prayed in our partly finished shell of a church. We think this was in the mid 1960s. Watch this space! More to follow!



You are invited to the inaugural
**Diocese of Brentwood
Marriage Conference**

Saturday 6th July 2019, 10.30am-2.30pm

The Cathedral Hall, Brentwood Cathedral
Ingrave Road, Brentwood

A gathering for:
members of national and local organisations supporting marriage
those who support married and engaged couples in parishes and deaneries
those helping young people explore the vocation to marriage

Keynote speakers:
Brenden Thompson
Lead Coordinator, Catholic Voices
Laura Thompson
Teacher and Catholic Voice



No charge & lunch is provided. Booking via Eventbrite.
<https://brentwoodmarriageday.eventbrite.co.uk>



MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE

Bishop Alan invites you to a Mass of Thanksgiving for Marriage and Family Life at 3.00 p., at Brentwood Cathedral. Fr. Leslie has four invitation cards for the first four couple who wish to attend. If you are planning to bring your children, please let Fr. Matthew know on marriage@dioceseofbrentwood.org

Programme

10.00 Doors open, tea & coffee available

10.30 Introduction to the work of the Marriage and Family Life Department
Fr Matthew Bemand-Qureshi, *Director & Chaplain*
Anna McCormick, *Project Officer*

11.00 Group Discussion: Diocesan vision and 'family' as a strand of renewal
Participants will be invited to discuss in groups what can be done to promote this aspect of our diocesan renewal. There will be an opportunity to present suggestions later on.

11.30 Communicating the Good News of Marriage and the Family
Brenden Thompson, *Lead Coordinator, Catholic Voices*
Laura Thompson, *Teacher and Catholic Voice*

12.30 Lunch
A buffet lunch will be provided. Donations are appreciated but not required.

1.15 Marriage Organisations Forum
Representatives of national and local marriage organisations are invited to give brief presentations on their work.

1.45 Q&A and plenary discussion
Participants will be invited to address questions to any of our speakers and to present suggestions from the earlier discussion.

2.30 Conclusion of Conference

3.00 Mass of Thanksgiving for Marriage and Family Life (in the Cathedral)
Celebrant & Preacher: Bishop Alan Williams sm, Bishop of Brentwood
Conference participants are invited to attend the Mass and stay for the reception which follows.

Booking via Eventbrite
<https://brentwoodmarriageday.eventbrite.co.uk>

Finance News

For the week ending 12 May 2019 you gave £178.82 of which £44.00 was Gift Aided.
Second Collection for Vocations: £194.56

Pope on Twitter



God proposes Himself, He never imposes Himself; He enlightens us, but never blinds us.

Mary, Virgin of #Fatima, we are certain that each one of us is precious in your eyes and that nothing in our hearts has estranged you. Guard our life with your embrace, guide us all on the path to holiness.

On this World Day of Prayer for Vocations, let us join in prayer and ask the Lord to help us discover his plan of love for our lives, and to grant us the courage to walk in the path that, from the beginning, he has chosen for each of us.

God has placed this plan in our hearts and in all creation: to love Him, our brothers and sisters, and the whole world, and to find true happiness in this love.

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.



I'm so lazy I've got a smoke alarm with a snooze button!



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 gives his disciples a new commandment. They must love one another as he has loved them. Jesus wants us to do this too.

A PRAYER TO SAY
Dear Jesus, you teach us that loving other people makes our world a happy place. Help me to make the world a happy place by sharing your love with everyone I meet. Amen.

Lunchtime Recital – 1

Do hope you can join us next week on Wednesday 22 May at the usual time of 1.00 p.m. – 1.40 p.m. for a Lunchtime ORGAN Recital which will be given by Eric CHAN from the Royal College of Music in London, where he is currently an undergraduate student.

Eric's Programme will consist of the following very interesting pieces:-

Naji HAKIM

Bach'Orama Orgelfantasie ueber Themen von Johann Sebastian Bach

Johann Sebastian BACH

Trio Sonata No. 6 in G Major, BWV 530

Robert SCHUMANN

Fugue 1 and 5 of Fuge ueber B-A-C-H op. 60

Franz LISZT

Praeludium und Fuge ueber den Namen B-A-C-H, S.260

Refreshments will be served afterwards in the SONG SCHOOL.

LUNCHTIME RECITAL -2

Following the above, the next Lunchtime PIANO Recital will be given by Irina VATERL from the RCM London who will be performing on Wednesday 5 June at 1.00 p.m. to 1.40 p.m.

CAFOD

CAFOD-'OUR COMMON HOME' BRENTWOOD DIOCESAN CREATION CELEBRATION MASS.

With environmental issues very much in the news, you are warmly invited to attend the launch of CAFOD's new campaign-'Our Common Home' at a Creation Celebration Mass, on Saturday 25 May, at 6.00 p.m., in the Church of the Most Holy Redeemer, Billericay (21 Laindon Road, Billericay, Essex CM12 9LL). The theme of the Mass will be giving thanks for the gift of creation, and we will be offering prayers for our common home. We are delighted that Bishop Emeritus Thomas McMahon will be celebrating the Mass. We hope that you will also join us for refreshments at a short social event after Mass, where you will have the opportunity to find out more about the aims of the 'Our Common Home' campaign, and how you can get involved. For more information, please contact Angela Sparke at asparke@cafod.org.uk If you are unable to attend but would still like to take part in the campaign, we are asking for the UK government to go further, faster on climate action. Please sign our petition at <https://e-activist.com/page/36329/petition/1>

Ascot Ladies Day Lunch

Brentwood Catholic Children's Society is hosting its annual Ascot Ladies' Luncheon on Friday 21 June at the Rayleigh Golf & Country Club. Ladies are encouraged to dust off their best hats and enter into the spirit of a 'Day at the Races'. Tickets cost £25.00 per person for a delicious two course luncheon with tea & coffee served in our own private dining room, with plenty of time to enjoy some racing from Ascot before the school-run. Please contact Libby for more information & to book tickets on 01268 784544/lphilips@bccs.org.uk

Vacancy

The Ursuline Sisters in Brentwood require a Care Supervisor to manage the day-to-day provision of care for Sisters resident in the Grange. Applicants should have General Nursing qualifications, experience with staff management and a driving licence. Approximately 25 hours per week with some flexibility. Some weekend, evening and on-call work will be required. Salary dependent on candidate. Vacancy begins in June/July. Please telephone 01277 260156 for application form.

Essex Recusant Society

May I just take this opportunity to remind you that The Essex Recusant Society is the historical Society of our Diocese of Brentwood and aims to "foster knowledge, research and publications about the history of post-Reformation Catholicism", that is, recusancy in the County of Essex and the five London Boroughs" (v. its Constitution). You will appreciate that it was indeed a glorious period in our history, a period when Catholic men and women were prepared to suffer for their Faith and at the same time were filled with mercy for their persecutors. Essex Recusant Society has a membership of fifty people but anyone is welcome to join.

Charity Bike Ride

Brentwood Catholic Children's Society has several charity places remaining for the London to Brighton Bike Ride on 15 September 2019. Riders are asked to pay a registration fee of £55 and make a commitment to raise £150 for 'bccs'. For more information, please visit our website www.bccs.org.uk/GetInvolved/Events or call Julie Abbott on 01268 784544/07912 277413

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.

Free materials are available from the Catholic Enquiry Office.

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