

ST JOSEPH THE WORKER, HUTTON

WITH ST JOHN AND ST ERCONWALD, INGATESTONE



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26TH / 27TH SEPTEMBER 2026 ✱ TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR A

MASS TIMES

All liturgies and devotions are at Hutton unless otherwise stated.

WEEKEND MASSES: Saturday Vigil Mass 5.30pm (Hutton), Sunday 9.00am (Ingatestone) & 10.30 a.m. (Hutton).

WEEKDAY MASSES – 9.15 a.m.: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday.

CHURCH OPENING HOURS: St Joseph's – Mon, Tue, Wed, & Fri 9.15am – 3pm, Sunday 10am – 1pm. St John's - Tuesday & Friday 10.30am – 12.30pm; Sunday 8.30am – 11am.

NO MASS ON THURSDAYS

ADORATION AND CONFESSIONS: Saturday 4.30pm - 5.15pm or on request before Mass or any other time.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Wednesday and Friday 9.30 a.m. – 3 p.m.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 26th	5.30 p.m.	Private	<i>(RCB)</i>
Sunday 27th	9.00 a.m.	Winifred Mulholland	<i>R.I.P.</i>
	10.30 a.m.	Uzoamaka Ekpechue (Birthday Thanksgiving)	<i>Int.</i>
Monday 28th	9.15 a.m.	Malti Josie Quinvan	<i>Int.</i>
Tuesday 29th	9.15 a.m.	Mary Murphy	<i>R.I.P.</i>
Wednesday 30th	9.15 a.m.	NO MASS	
Friday 2nd	9.15 a.m.	Madueke Cyprian Okoro (20 th Death Anniversary)	<i>R.I.P.</i>
Saturday 3rd	5.30 p.m.	Fr. Brian O'Shea	<i>Int.</i>
Sunday 4th	9.00 a.m.	Michael Kelleher	<i>R.I.P.</i>
	10.30 a.m.	Madueke Cyprian Okoro	<i>R.I.P.</i>

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Thank you for your generous donations

Date 19/20 September 2026

Hutton 20th September - £225.00 (+ c. £950 SO)

Ingatestone 20th Sep. - £153.01 (+ c. £175 SO)

ROTAS

	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
Saturday 26th – 5.30 p.m.	Ian Restall	Stella Walker
Saturday 3rd – 5.30 p.m.	David Donovan	Ewa Kania
Sunday 27th – 10.30 a.m.	Tara Sanni	Anne-Marie Ward
Sunday 4th – 10.30 a.m.	Paul Downey	Willa Jackson

READINGS AT MASS

First reading: Ezekiel 18:25-28

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 25(24):4-5b. 6-7. 8-9. R6a

Response: *Remember your compassion, O Lord.*

Second reading: Philippians 2:1-11

Gospel Acclamation: John 10:27

Alleluia, Alleluia!

My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord, and I know them, and they follow me.
Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 21:28-32

MASS ATTENDANCE

Saturday 19th Sep.	- 5.30 p.m.	- 98
Sunday 20th Sep.	- 9.00 a.m.	- 49
Sunday 20th Sep.	- 10.30 a.m.	- 90

REFLECTION

It is quite possible to have a home full of religious objects, a diary full of parish engagements, and a head full of Catholic opinions and yet allow Christ himself to remain somewhere near the edge of our lives. Saint Paul brings us back to the centre. He does not simply tell us to admire Jesus, or even merely to imitate him from a distance. He asks us to have within ourselves the mind of Christ: to see as Christ sees, to love as Christ loves, and to place ourselves humbly at the service of God and one another.

Christ is not meant to be one interest among many. He is not an appointment to be fitted into an already crowded week. He is the centre around which everything else must find its proper place. Our work, our relationships, our decisions, our possessions, our joys and our difficulties all begin to make sense when they are brought into his presence.

Saint Paul describes Christ as the one who did not cling to his privileges, but emptied himself, taking the form of a servant and becoming obedient even to death on the Cross. The world often tells us that fulfilment comes from asserting ourselves, getting our own way and protecting our importance. Christ shows us another way. His greatness is revealed in humility; his victory comes through self-giving love.

This does not mean thinking badly of ourselves or allowing others to treat us without respect. Christian humility means knowing that we belong to God and therefore no longer need to prove our worth at every opportunity. We can listen without always having the last word. We can forgive without keeping score. We can serve without needing applause.

Wishing you and your loved ones a blessed week

Fr Gary

Tabernacle Project

Thank you to those who have intimated to me they would like to support the project to move the Blessed Sacrament in St Joseph's to its rightful position in the centre of the sanctuary. Please let me know if this is something you might feel able to support and once we have a clear idea of costs, and the certainty that we are able to meet those costs, I will get in touch with you directly. Rest assured, I will also keep the rest of our parish updated on progress!

BCYS Youth Mass

The BCYS Youth Mass takes place at Brentwood Cathedral on the **first Thursday** of each month. The evening begins at **6pm** with pizza and activities, followed by Mass at **7.30pm**. It is a great opportunity for young Catholics (**Year 8 upwards**) to meet others their own age and grow in their faith. Parents are warmly encouraged to bring their young people along and give it a try! Fr Gary is hoping to bring a small group from our parish on Thursday October 1st.

Annual Mass Count

The last two Sundays of September and the first two Sundays of October are the designated days when our Mass attendance figures are submitted to the diocese. This includes attendance at the Vigil Mass. These, among other factors such as finances, are taken into account for future strategic planning. This involves priorities for the deployment and appointment of priests. Ours are vibrant little parishes and it would be good to be able to show that. I understand things can be difficult, and that sometimes people are away for the weekend, but please do try to make an extra effort these four Sundays so that the figures are an accurate reflection of the size and commitment of our parish families..

School Governors

Foundation Governors play a crucial role in the success of Catholic education. They safeguard the essential Catholic nature of our schools, ensuring they are an arm of the Church's mission to nourish the faith of our young people. If you are interested in playing a part in this, please see the leaflets at the back of the church, or email sandramoss@brcdt.org.

Mass Intentions for 2027

The Mass diary for 2027 has now arrived. If there is a particular date that you have in mind for when you like to have Mass said for a loved one, please

consider making the request early to avoid disappointment. Occasionally, intentions have to be moved, but on the whole we try to ensure that booked Masses are honoured.

Standing Orders

For both our parishes, a significant part of the income comes from standing orders. Firstly, a huge thank you for your continued support however you are able to give. Second, it doesn't seem quite right that we only publish the amount that comes in on the plate. From this weekend, a rough estimate of the weekly standing orders will also feature to acknowledge the support which we are so lucky to have for St Joseph's and St John's.

Social Events

Spread across two parishes, we are blessed with a wide variety of social events offering different but complementary things for the different demographics that make up our linked community. If an event is being organised at Hutton it isn't always possible to provide direct ticket sales at Ingatestone, or the other way round, but everybody is very welcome at all the social events we organise, subject to capacity! If there is an event going on at the other church which you might be interested in attending, please just email the parish office and we will ensure that a ticket is reserved for you. Payments can always be made online or at the event itself. Our social gatherings are not an added extra – they are a keyway in which we build up our community and all parishioners are welcome.

THE CALL TO BE HUMAN: *an introduction to Catholic morality.*

Four talks to be given by Fr Martin Boland, parish priest of Our Lady of Lourdes, Wanstead.

For more information go to www.ourladyoflourdeswanstead.com. All welcome.

Alpha 2026

Please remember the participants and leaders of Alpha in your daily prayers: 'Heavenly Father, I pray for my friends, my parish community and for Alpha. Lord, let your kingdom come and your will be done. Holy Spirit come fill me today that I might share the good news of Jesus to those around me. Amen.'

Missio

The Autumn 2026 edition of "Mission Today" is available on the table in the porch. Missio is the Pope's charity for world mission, helping local missionaries to work alongside global communities that are poor or in need. Visit missio.org.uk to find out more or to donate online. Thank you for your support.

PARISH NOTICES

HUTTON:

Talk by Arthur Edwards – 3rd October 2026

Arthur Edwards, one of our parishioners, is giving an illustrated talk about his life as Royal Photographer for The Sun newspaper for over 45 years on **Saturday 03 October** at 7pm in the Parish Hall. Tickets are now available to purchase at **£10** per person including a free drink. There will also be a raffle held on the evening for parish funds.

Social Events at St Joseph's

Parish Quiz Night

Saturday, 17th October 6.30 for 7.00pm in the Hall. Cormac, our excellent quizmaster is returning!! £10 adults, £5 teenagers, primary school age children free. Bring your own drinks and snacks. Tickets available from 03 October.

5th December - Christmas Party

INGATESTONE:

Thank you

Thank you to everyone who put so much effort into getting everything for the Bishop's visit last week. It is very much appreciated!

Ingatestone New Sign

We have placed an order for a new sign to provide up to date information about our Mass times. This will make it easier for passers-by to see when Masses are celebrated and to know when to come should they wish to join us in our celebration. This should hopefully arrive soon!

Cards and Gifts: The Repository is open before and after mass every Saturday evening and Sunday morning. We have a wide range of cards including mass cards, baptism, FHC and confirmation cards available, plus some lovely handmade cross-stitch cards.

Parish Registration: If you are new to the parish and would like to register, the Parish Registration forms are available in the Church porch, or you can register on the website. If you are a parishioner at Ingatestone then please email the Parish Office.

REGULAR NOTICES

Keep a Flame Burning (Ex. 27:19-20) - Our sanctuary lamp always burns to honour Christ and His presence in the Blessed Sacrament. It represents Our Lord among His people, and the fulfilment of His promise that He will be with us always. Would you like to sponsor a light in memory of a loved one or for a specific intention? Please contact Ngozi who will make a note of the date.

This week the sanctuary lamp at St. John's burns for *The Parish Community*.

Tea and Coffee



Tea and coffee are available after both the 9am at Ingatestone and the 10.30am Mass at Hutton. Refreshments are also served after the Saturday evening Mass on the first Saturday of the month.

There will be refreshments after the 10.30 Mass, and everyone is welcome. Please sign up on the list at the back of the church to help. New volunteers are always welcome. You only have to provide the milk, and full instructions are given.

200 Club - Hutton: There are cash prizes to be won through our popular 200 club. For just £2 per entry, you could be eligible to win prizes of £50, £30 or £20 each month. Half the proceeds go to boost parish funds. Please complete a 200 Club standing order form and hand it to Marian Anderson or Fr Gary.

Giving: A huge thank you for your continued support. By far the best way for us is standing orders which enable to budget more effectively. It is also possible to give via the card machine (in the church porch) or online. Donations can be made to specific projects. To set up a standing order please contact the parish office or via on-line banking.



Anointing of the Sick: If you know of someone in the parish who is very ill, please contact Fr Gary to arrange a visit. Please pray for all the sick people of our parish.

Funerals: To book a funeral, please contact the Parish Office.

Hall Hire: The Parish Hall of St Joseph the Worker is available for hire, please contact the Parish Office.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES

Baptism: It is always a pleasure to welcome new members into the Church. It is by Baptism we become part of the Body of Christ. Baptism forms can be obtained from the parish office.

Marriage: Please contact Fr Gary via e-mail to organise a meeting.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Freedom in Christ Conference on Saturday 3rd October

Time: 1-3pm at Holy Trinity Church, Trinity Square, South Woodham Ferrers, CM3 5JX. Discover five keys to genuine freedom in Christ and to experience His amazing love, joy, and peace. Many of us, despite our best efforts, struggle with the same sins and feel hopeless in our search for freedom. Come and discover how the Lord can bring healing and freedom from spiritual bondages such as addictions, fear, anger, envy, lust, greed, and unforgiveness.

The Priests return to the Brentwood Diocese!

Fr. Eugene O'Hagan and Fr. Martin O'Hagan - formerly of the celebrated singing trio 'The Priests' - invite you to join them at a one-off charity weekend, hosted by and in support of the Brentwood Catholic Children's Society.

Choose from an elegant Gala Dinner or sophisticated Charity Luncheon, both being held at a stunning Grade II listed manor house. Enjoy fine dining and seize a rare opportunity to see Fr. Eugene and Fr. Martin perform in an intimate and exclusive setting - this is an occasion not to be missed!

09th-10th October at The Lawn, Rochford - for full details and to purchase tickets, please visit www.bccs.org.uk/get-involved/events-campaigns/ or contact Julie on 07912 277413.