

# 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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Welcome to our parish news of St. Joseph the Worker 7 March 2021

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Newsletter for third Sunday of Lent, God's Word, year B.

Hello and welcome to our Sunday Liturgy.

It was great that we could open our church on Ash Wednesday for Holy Mass and we will continue on following Sundays. It would be also great to see more of our parishioners now returning to church – "Our Father's House". Our church is safe and our stewards do a great job for the community to gather safely.

In today's gospel we see Jesus angry as he entered the Temple and watches the money changers doing their business changing money. He said "This is my Father's House, and you have turned it into a den of thieves. The Jews considered the Temple of Jerusalem the heart of their religious life. Every year during Passover crowds would gather in the Temple. Here Jesus saw people selling animals and making big profits especially from the poor. The challenge of Jesus to the Jewish authorities is worth considering. "Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up". Jesus was speaking of His Body.

As we come together in This Temple of God during Lent, let us cleanse our hearts of all selfish behaviour and sins. May our hearts be a worthy dwelling place for God, and may our acts of worship be authentic as we strive to deepen our relationship with God through our love and concern for one another.

Every blessing on you all.

## UPCOMING MASSES

### THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT (B) WORD OF GOD

#### FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY – REOPEN FOR MASS

Saturday 6	6.00 p.m. People of the Parish
Sunday 7	10.30 a.m. Patrick & Catherine Kelly RIP
Monday 8	Private Mass
Tuesday 9	Private prayer 10.00 -12 midday
Wednesday 10	Private prayer 10.00 -12 midday
Thursday 11	Private prayer 10.00 -12 midday
Friday 12	Public Mass 9.00 a.m.

Saturday 13 Confession by appointment in preparation for Easter.

### FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT (B) WORD OF GOD

#### FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

Saturday 13	6.00 p.m. People of the Parish
Sunday 14	10.30 a.m.

Please note Monday to Thursday Mass is celebrated privately. On Friday Mass is held for parishioners at 9.00 a.m.

## Sacrament of Reconciliation (confession)

By appointment or before Mass on request.

## Covid Safety

Masks are to be worn in the church – please keep a safe distance unless you are one family bubble. Please sanitize your hands on entry and departure from the church.

## Face Masks

At the moment, face masks are required to be worn at all times in the Church.

## Giant Easter Egg Raffle



Not just a big Easter egg. A giant Hotel Chocolat Easter Egg. Half 40% milk, half 50% milk, piled with filled chocolates. In fact, over a kilo of chocolate wrapped, boxed and ready to go!

For a bold, enjoyable and celebratory Easter gift, this Ostrich Easter egg with all the milk chocolate accessories is a perfect choice for a family. Or a couple of chocoholics!

If you'd like the chance to win this amazing Easter Egg, all you need to do is put £5 in an envelope, put your name and address and phone on the envelope, and hand it in before or after Mass, or pop the envelope through Fr. Leslie's door.

We know times have been tough for all our parishioners but Covid is very hard on our parish too. If you can help us to raise much needed funds, it will help a lot.

And you might win this fabulous Easter Egg. Someone will win it. Will it be you?

## Stewards

Now that we have returned to having public Masses, we will undoubtedly need more volunteers to steward the people attending Mass. Please do give it a thought. It's not a big task - you would be needed to take contact details, show people to their seat, and assist in bringing people up for Holy Communion a bench at a time so that there is no overcrowding in the aisle. *Please please help if you can.*

## Confessions

On Request (During the COVID 19 Virus)

## Holy Week Services

### Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Mass on Saturday 27 6.00 p.m.  
and Sunday 10.30 a.m.

### Maunder Thursday 1 April

Mass of the Lord Supper at 7.30 p.m.

### Good Friday 2 April

Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion at 3.00 p.m.

### Holy Saturday 3 April

Blessing of Easter Candle and Water for Baptism and First Mass of Easter at 7.30 p.m.

### Easter Sunday 4 April

Resurrection of the Lord.

Mass at 8.30 a.m. and 10.30 a.m.

*(Due to COVID-19 certain parts of our liturgy will be curtailed – more information will follow nearer the time).*

## Anniversaries

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

**We pray for:** Henry Smith, Edward Parker, John Allum, Leslie Denton, Maura Davies, Frederika Pinford, Michael Kent, Audrey Daly and Edward Madigan.

**Priests of our Diocese:** Canon Joseph Whitefield (1961), Fr. Thomas Lanton (1946), Fr. John Gordon (1992), Fr. Edward Meyer (1921), Fr. Maurice Roche (1989), Mgr. Canon David Michael Corley (2017), and Fr. William Luby (1993)

**May these and all the faithful departed Rest in peace and rise in Glory. For all who have died from COVID-19 Eternal Rest give to them O Lord, may they Rest in peace and Rise in Glory.**

## Sickness

**We pray for our sick in our parish:**

Daniella DiLisio, Simone Austin, Jacqueline Birnie, Norah McPherson, Mano Subryan, Diana Pearce, Greg Thomas, 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.**

## Easter Envelopes

This collection is for your priest and is the main source of his income. Please pick up an envelope and also one if you know of someone who is unable to come to Mass. *Thank you.*

## Weekday Masses

During the week our Church will be open for private prayer from 10.00 a.m. until 12 midday. If you are able, this will be an opportunity to visit Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament and find solace and peace from all that we have and going through these past few months. In particular, we pray for many grieving families who have lost a loved one from COVID-19.

During the week Holy Mass is said privately. If you wish Mass to be offered for a loved one/intention, please put them through the presbytery letter box. On Sunday Mass is celebrated for all our parishioners living and dead.

## Mass Attendance

Saturday 27 Feb 6.00 p.m.	16
Sunday 28 Feb 10.30 a.m.	32

## Mass Intentions

This season of Lent is a good time to ask to have a Mass said for your loved ones who have died or who are sick or private intentions.

## Prayer for the sick with COVID

Lord Jesus,  
Healer of bodies and souls,  
We intercede for those who  
Are living with sickness.  
You own wounds of suffering  
During your Passion and your agony  
In the garden bring you close to all  
Those who suffer.  
Be a source of comfort and hope  
To all those who carry the burden  
Of sickness in body and mind.  
Bless all those whose vocation is to  
Care, whether professionally or  
through the bonds of family.  
May your loving gaze bring  
Wholeness to brokenness  
And light out of darkness.  
*Amen.*

## Fred Biagioni RIP

Our prayerful sympathy to the family of Fausto (Fred) Biagioni who went home to God on 25 February. His funeral service will take place at Bentley Crematorium on Friday 26 March at 11.30 a.m. Fred lived in Waltham Gardens and was well looked after by his family and a full time carer. His wife died a few years ago and he missed her greatly. May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

## Word For The World

The COVID-19 global pandemic has infected close to 100 million people, resulting in over 1.5 million deaths. The impact of this new virus has been catastrophic and overwhelming. The hardship, brought about by the hidden enemy, has wreaked havoc on people and businesses. We are all victims of COVID one way or another. We, of course, pray for those who have lost loved ones, and for those in hospital and those suffering long term effects. As a parish community let us turn to Mary our mother, to pray for all affected one way or another. Reflect on the Gospels, in your bibles at home. The scriptures are God's words and open your hearts to our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ that he may bring hope and healing to our world, country and families.

## Streaming of Mass

If you are watching Mass streamed from a Catholic Church, please observe the following:

Do not watch it in bed eating your breakfast (unless you have to be in bed). Do not watch the mass drinking tea/coffee. The Mass is sacred and through the media this great mystery is happening in your home. We should behave as if we are in church.

## Stations of the Cross

In the Narthex there are Books of the Stations of the cross (£2.00 each) – please buy one and pray the stations of the cross especially on Fridays.

Also booklets on the Rosary (£2.00 each) – please pray the Rosary every day for an end to the pandemic, for all who have died and for grieving families.

Lent – is a journey to God – A time to unite our sorrows pain, anxiety etc to Our Blessed Lord. Remember he was the Son of God, became man and is always with us each day. We need to turn to him in prayer 'God loved the world to much, he became man.'



## Pope on Twitter



Sad news of bloody clashes and loss of life reach us from Myanmar. I appeal to the authorities involved that dialogue may prevail over repression, and ask the international community to ensure that the aspirations of the people of Myanmar are not stifled.

We would not have had the courage to believe in a God who loves humanity, if we had not known Jesus. What kind of God is prepared to die for people? What kind of God loves always and patiently, without demanding to be loved in return?

Let us #PrayTogether that we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the forgiveness and infinite mercy of God.

The center of confession is Jesus who waits for us, who listens to us and forgives us.

## Finance News

For the week ending 28 February you gave £160.46. of which £11.00 was Gift Aided. *Thank you and God Bless.*

## First Holy Communion Parents

Hello, If your child is in year 3 and you wish him / her to prepare for their first holy communion at St Joseph's. You need to fill in the preparation form from our website. It must be filled in and sent back via email to the parish administrator ([hutton@diocesesofbrentwood.org](mailto:hutton@diocesesofbrentwood.org))

I am sorry at this time we can't name a date for the program to begin, because of Covid-19 and we are in lockdown. We do need to know the number of children so that catechists can make preparation. Thank you to all who have sent back their preparation forms. Please note you must be a regular mass attender.

*Thank you all and we will keep you informed.*

## 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.

## HSBC

Account name: St. Joseph the Worker  
Catholic Church,  
Hutton.

Sort Code: 40 13 22.

Account No.: 61018884

## Reflection

As we journey towards EASTER, we all need to remember the vital importance of being part of our worshipping community at St. Joseph's. We have had the opportunity of participating in our Mass online, but this is far apart from actually being present at the close encounter with the Risen Lord. As Holy Week and EASTER draw near. I really hope that we'll personally hunger for being in his presence and not be happy with anything less.

*Light*  
**Laughter**

If two vegans get in a fight, is it still considered a beef?

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