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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".

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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 May 2019

UPCOMING MASSES

THE SEASON OF EASTER THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER (C)

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

Saturday 4	6.00 p.m. Int. John Scully
Sunday 5	8.30 a.m. 10.30 a.m. For all parishioners

ST. JOHN PAYNE

Monday 6	9.15 a.m. Frank Calabritto RIP
Tuesday 7	9.15 a.m. Redfern family and friends
Wednesday 8	NO MORNING MASS
Thursday 9	9.15 a.m.
Friday 10	9.15 a.m. Kathleen Ward RIP
Saturday 11	NO MORNING MASS

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

Saturday 11	6.00 p.m. Kathleen Ward RIP
Sunday 12	8.30 a.m. Holy Souls 10.30 a.m. For 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

Although deeply spiritual and theologically profound, St. John's Gospel records some very personal moments in the life of Jesus, such as when he wept at the death of Lazarus, and the incident recorded in today's Gospel when the risen Lord cooked his disciples a fish breakfast, inviting them to 'Come and have breakfast'. We learn that God cares for us, body and soul. By death the soul is separated from the body, but our hope is that they will be reunited on the last day. The resurrection of Jesus revealed the nature of this new body - a risen body, infused with God's light and life, and not prone to sin and death. The breakfast story leads into a fascinating exchange between Jesus and Peter, in which the fisherman was asked three times to feed the Lord's sheep. What did this mean? It meant that as the Rock he was called to ensure that believers were fed with the nourishment of Christ. We see this in Peter's first letter: 'Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow up in your salvation, now that you have tasted that the Lord is good'. One way we can literally feed off this pure spiritual milk is by prayerfully studying and meditating on Peter's two letters. When we do this, we draw directly from the original rock on which the Church was built, the pure well of our salvation.

If we do not feed, we grow weak and unhealthy. The same is true in our spiritual lives and the staple diet from which we feed is: prayer, the Scriptures, the teaching of the Church (the Magisterium) and lectio divina (spiritual reading). Supremely we feed from the Eucharist, food for our soul and food which is good for this life and the next. God has given us rich sources of spiritual food - we do not live in a parched land, but rather a banquet of teaching and spiritual life has been prepared for us. Just as with our physical bodies, eating on the run is not ideal: we need to carve out time and space with the Lord when we can be nourished by him.

Lord, we give you praise and thanks for the table from which we feed - the Word of God, the tradition of the Church, and the source and summit of our faith, the holy Eucharist.



Brentwood Catenians

Our mission statement is - strengthening family life through friendship and faith. If there are any gentleman interested in the Catenian Association please contact Peter Brisbourne our membership officer on 01277 219746.

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 (4/5 May 2019)

6.00 p.m.	Carol Turnbull Ian Restall Stella Walker
8.30 a.m.	John Spinks Jan Jarvis Lyn Birnie
10.30 a.m.	Sarah Barber Mary Brooks Chris Brooks

Readers For This Week's Masses (4/5 May 2019)

6.00 p.m.	Ian Restall
8.30 a.m.	Gerry Sarah
10.30 a.m.	Peter Sanders

Eucharistic Ministers for Next Week's Masses (11/12 May 2019)

6.00 p.m.	Marian Anderson Ewa Kania Carol Turnbull
8.30 a.m.	Mary Allum Lyn Birnie Angela Mahoney
10.30 a.m.	Dominic De Albuquerque Will Jackson Tyrone Sequeira

Readers For Next Week's Masses (11/12 May 2019)

6.00 p.m.	Marian Anderson
8.30 a.m.	Kevin Jackson
10.30 a.m.	Paula Sanders

Anniversaries

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

Thomas Boniface, Elizabeth James, Bill Smith, Vera Lydon, Ania Czuprynski, Agnes Howser, Rosanna Law, and Eileen Curley.

Priests of our Diocese:

Canon Patrick Palmer (1948), Canon Basil Booker (1954), Fr. John Callaghan (2003), Canon Brian Grady (1998), Fr. Augustine Davidson (1946), Mgr. Canon John Howell (1976), Fr. John Boyle (1983) and Fr. Stanley Joynes (1987).

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 and visitors to our parish. We are still rejoicing the light of the Risen Lord.

I ask you all to pray for an end to the recent violence in our troubled world and for all who have lost their lives and that all will come together for peace.

Today's Gospel has two parts: First the disciples are out in the boat fishing and catching nothing. At dawn they saw someone standing on the shore. The stranger then told them to cast out their nets and caught 150 big fish.

Peter then recognised Jesus and they went ashore, and Jesus invited them to have breakfast – bread, wine and fish. Remember at the Last Supper the words "you will know me in the breaking of bread". The fishes were the sign of the new covenant. They used the word fishes to disguise their identity in times of persecution. The letter ichthy, which means fish, is also the form of the first letter of each of the Greek words Jesus Christ Son and Saviour. So John wants us to know that the Risen Lord was not only among the disciples but is among us as well. That same tradition has been passed down. The Mass is called the breaking of bread and we receive it to confirm and know that Jesus is with us.

The Second part of the Gospel is the dialogue between Jesus and Peter - the one who betrayed him three times. Jesus asks Peter three times - do you love me? The key is not in the forgiveness but in the loving. So for us today, we can ask ourselves, do we recognise Jesus in the breaking of bread, and when we come to Jesus seeking his forgiveness we are also looking for his love. Can we, like Peter, say yes Lord, you know that I love you from the depth of my heart. If we can then we should hunger for the Bread of Life.

Have a great Sunday with your families as we continue this great Easter Season.

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.

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.

Easter Season

In this Easter Season let us pray the Rosary that she will lead us all into the company of her Son. This wonderful prayer is something we can do as family, The family that prays together, stays together.

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.

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

MISSIO Red Boxes

The MISSIO red boxes that were left at the back of the church during March have now been emptied and counted. Please collect your empty box from the back of the church.

Thank you for your support.

If anyone who does not have a Missio Red Box would like one, please speak to me. Missio is the Pope's personal charity and the Church's official charity for overseas mission in the developing world. *Clare Barton.*

Lunchtime Concert

Please join us next Wednesday 8 May at the usual time of 1.00 p.m. – 1.40 p.m. for a Lunchtime GUITAR Recital to be given by classical guitarist Ian KELLEHER. For more information on Ian, please go to www.iankelleher-guitar.co.uk Ian's Programme will consist of the following pieces:-

Heitor Villa-Lobos (1887 – 1959)

From 5 *Préludes for Guitar*

Prélude No. 1 - Homage to the Brazilian people

Prélude No. 3 - Homage to Bach

Prélude No. 5 - Homage to social life

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685 – 1750)

Prélude No. 1 in C

Yuquijiro Yocoh (b. 1925)

The "Sakura" Variations

Astor Piazzolla (1921 – 1992) arr. Benitez

Verano Porteño

Erik Satie (1866 – 1925) arr. Dyens

Gnossienne No. 1

Isaac Albeniz (1860 – 1909) arr. Segovia

Asturias (Leyenda)

Tea and coffee will be served afterwards in the Song School. We do hope you can join us.

Palm Sunday Collection

Letter from BCCS:

Dear Fr Leslie,

Re: Donation - Brentwood Catholic Children's Society

Please accept this letter as an acknowledgement and thank you for the very kind donation of £169.65 raised from your Lenten collection taken up on Palm Sunday.

We are truly grateful for your support and please be assured that this donation will go directly towards helping children and families in our community who turn to us in need. This is essential work and could not be undertaken without the support and kindness of our friends. Please pass on our thanks to the parishioners of St. Joseph the Worker and let them know how much we appreciate their support.

Breakthrough – Release Date 17 May.

This film is listed as a Christian drama but it is much more than that – it's the most wonderful, moving and uplifting account of a mother's love for her son and her unshakeable faith. Based on true events in Missouri in 2015, it has been turned into a book and now a film. If ever proof were needed of the power of prayer, then this is it! Release date in the UK is 17 May.

“Peace starts with a smile.”

Breaking News

We can confirm that the Bishop will be presiding at our celebration on 13 July. This will be to help us celebrate 60 years since the first Mass was said in Hutton and 50 years since the foundation of our church. This will all take place on 13 July, so make sure that date is in your diary!

March For Life

The March for Life UK will take place on Saturday 11 May starting outside Westminster Church House, 25 Great Smith Street, London SW1P 3BN at 2.00 p.m. There will also be events in the morning from 9.30 a.m. until 1.30 p.m., for more details see www.marchforlife.co.uk

St. Joseph Friendship Group

We meet every 1st and 3rd Friday in the month between 2.00 p.m. and 4.00 p.m. in the parish hall. We are always open to any suggestions of what you would like to see happening at these afternoon sessions. OPEN TO ALL AGES. Why not pop in for a cup of tea and a chat. You will be made very welcome. Any enquires contact Jan Jarvis on 200278

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Fridays from 3.00 P.M. to 4.00 P.M. We encourage our parents, parishioners and children to come and visit Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.

Pope Francis has said “if we are to adore the Godhead eternally, we ought to prepare for that occasion by coming to visit Jesus in the Eucharist”.

Pope Francis also says “we are indebted to God because none of us are able to love without the Grace of God. None of us loves God as he has loved us; it is enough to place yourselves before a crucifix to grasp the disparity. He has loved us, and he always loves us first”.

We are invited to pray “Lord even the most Holy among us do not cease to be debtors to you. O Father, have mercy on us.

Charity Run

Brentwood Catholic Children's Society has several charity places for The Vitality London 10K run on Monday 27 May 2019. This May bank holiday event has a lovely atmosphere and takes in many of London's iconic landmarks, finishing in front of Buckingham Palace with all the event facilities, food and entertainment close by in Green Park. For each place, we ask for a pledge to raise a minimum sponsorship of £100 before Gift Aid. For further information, please contact julie at jabbott@bccs.org.uk or 07912 277413.

Charismatic Day Of Renewal

A date for your diary: The Diocesan Catholic Charismatic Renewal Service Team are organising A Day of Renewal themed ‘The Love of Jesus’ which will be held on Saturday 18 May 2019 at Blessed Sacrament Parish, 116 Melbourne Avenue, Chelmsford from 10.00 a.m. until 4.00 p.m. Our speaker will be Charles Whitehead and the day will finish with Mass at 3.00 p.m. Coffee and tea will be provided but please bring a packed lunch.

200 Club

There is a great opportunity for new members to join the 200 Club in the next few weeks and participate in our SUPER DRAW!

This SUPER DRAW will take place on 13 July to coincide with the Parish Anniversary celebrations and we will DOUBLE the prize money on offer that month. This will mean that first prize that month will be £100 (usually £50). Second prize will be £50 (usually £25) and Third prize will be £30 (usually £15).

Come and join us now! See Marian Anderson after Mass, or take a 200 Club flyer from the table at the back of the church.

This is an opportunity not to be missed!

Crowned With Glory And Honour

Before it heads to the fringe, the debut performance of the play: CROWNED WITH GLORY AND HONOUR, will be shown at this year's March for Life uk/ lifefest19, at The Emanuel Centre from 10.30 a.m. at 9-23 Marsham Street, London SW1P 3DW What is the value of human life? Based on true stories and interviews, Crowned with Glory and Honour explores the value of human life through a number of diverse characters and situations, from a concentration camp survivor, a young man with Down's Syndrome, a pastor told as a child that he was almost aborted, and others whose stories illustrate the emotional cost surrounding the decision made.

More info at www.marchforlife.co.uk

WWW.CHURCHPOP.COM

Parents and young people, can I invite you to log on to www.churchpop.com for very helpful information to help your Catholic faith.

Finance News

For the week ending 28 April you gave £491.41 of which £77.00 was Gift Aided.



Pope on Twitter



May St. Joseph, the humble workman of Nazareth, direct us toward Christ, support the sacrifice of those who do good, and intercede for those who have lost their job or who are not successful in finding a job.

Let us ask the Lord to grant us the awareness that we cannot truly be Christians unless we walk with the Holy Spirit, unless we let the Holy Spirit be the protagonist of our life. #SantaMarta

God searches for you, even if you don't search for Him. God loves you, even if you have forgotten Him. God looks for beauty in you, even if you think you have uselessly squandered all your talents.

If we open our hearts to mercy and we seal forgiveness with a fraternal embrace, we proclaim before the world that it is possible to overcome evil with good. #DivineMercy

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.

Children's corner

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

On the Sunday after Jesus died all of his friends, except for Thomas, meet together in a room. They lock the door because they are frightened. Suddenly Jesus appears in the room and says: “Peace be with you”. Later, when the disciples tell Thomas about what has happened, he doesn't believe them. Jesus comes to see Thomas a week later. Jesus helps Thomas to understand that he really is alive.

A PRAYER TO SAY

Dear Jesus, help me to share the gift of peace. Amen.

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.

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