

ST JOSEPH THE WORKER, HUTTON

WITH ST JOHN AND ST ERCONWALD, INGATESTONE



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10TH / 11TH OCTOBER 2026 ✠ TWENTY-EIGHTH 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 WEDNESDAY 14TH OCTOBER: Please note there will be no Mass on Wednesday 14th October. Apologies for the inconvenience.

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 10th	5.30 p.m.	Pro Populo	<i>Int.</i>
Sunday 11th	9.00 a.m.	Terry Virgo	<i>R.I.P.</i>
	10.30 a.m.	Mary Anne Donovan	<i>R.I.P.</i>
Monday 12th	9.15 a.m.	Private	<i>Int.</i>
Tuesday 13th	9.15 a.m.	Private	<i>Int.</i>
Wednesday 14th	9.15 a.m.	NO MASS	
Friday 16th	9.15 a.m.	Annie De Souza	<i>R.I.P.</i>
Saturday 17th	5.30 p.m.	Mary and Jack Connaughton	<i>R.I.P.</i>
Sunday 18th	9.00 a.m.	Ramon Bolt	<i>R.I.P.</i>
	10.30 a.m.	Okoro family	<i>Int.</i>

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Thank you for your generous donations

Date 03/04 October 2026

Hutton 4th October	-	£240.00 (+ c. £950 SO)
Ingatestone 4th Oct.	-	£216.60 (+ c. £175 SO)

ROTAS

	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
Saturday 10th – 5.30 p.m.	Nina Hackett	Kevin Bray
Saturday 17th – 5.30 p.m.	Natalie Coleman-Dale	Ian Restall
Sunday 11th – 10.30 a.m.	Cianna/Jophiel Darel	Ngozi Ekpechue
Sunday 18th – 10.30 a.m.	Sophie Newbould	Amanda Spinks

READINGS AT MASS

First reading: Isaiah 25:6-10a

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 23(22):1-3a. 3b-4. 5. 6. R1

Response: *In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for length of days unending.*

Second reading: Philippians 4: 12-14, 19-20

Gospel Acclamation: Cf. Ephesians 1:17-18

Alleluia, Alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, enlighten the eyes of our hearts, so that we may know the hope to which he has called us..

Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14

MASS ATTENDANCE

Saturday 3rd Oct.	-	5.30 p.m.	-	117
Sunday 4th Oct.	-	9.00 a.m.	-	42
Sunday 4th Oct.	-	10.30 a.m.	-	112

REFLECTION

The king has prepared a feast for his son. Everything is ready, but those who were first invited have found other things to do.

Perhaps that is a rather good description of what happens to faith sometimes. People do not always make a conscious decision to abandon God or the Church. They simply drift. Life becomes busy. One Sunday is missed, then another. Children grow up, circumstances change, habits are lost, and before long someone who once came regularly to Mass has not been through the church doors for years.

But the king does not cancel the feast. He sends his servants out again: 'Invite to the wedding feast as many as you find.' That is a command which belongs to us as well. I will talk about the curious ending with the wedding garment in the homily, but here I want to focus on the invitation.

There are people all around us who are waiting, perhaps without even knowing it, for an invitation. It might be someone who used to come to Mass but has fallen out of the habit. It might be a neighbour who has not been since before Covid. It might be someone who comes at Christmas and Easter but has never quite taken the next step. It might be a friend who is curious about the faith, or someone who was hurt or disappointed years ago and wonders whether there is still a place for them.

Sometimes all that is needed is a very simple invitation: 'Why not come to Mass with me on Sunday?'

We can easily assume that people would say no. We can worry that it might be awkward or intrusive. But an invitation is not a demand. It simply opens a door. And we should never underestimate what God can do with such a small act of courage. We have received something extraordinarily precious, and precisely because it is precious, we should want others to share it. So perhaps this week each of us could think of *one person*.

Someone we have not seen at Mass for a while. Someone in our family. A friend, neighbour or colleague. Someone who might simply be waiting to know that they would be welcome. Invite them. Offer to come with them. Sit beside them. Introduce them to someone afterwards. And if they say no, do not be discouraged. The invitation itself is an act of love.

The King has prepared the feast. The doors are open. Our task is to go out onto the roads and remind people that there is a place waiting for them. Who could you invite next Sunday?

Wishing you and your loved ones a blessed week

Fr Gary

Prisoners' Sunday – 11th October 2026

This weekend there will be a second collection to support the national Catholic charity. Your support will help women and men in prison, and their families, make a fresh start. Thank you for your support!

Parish Social Media

Did you know that St Joseph's has a presence on Facebook and Instagram? Look up St Joseph the Worker, Hutton, on Facebook and 'huttoncatholics' on Instagram.

Cream Tea Thank You

A big thank you to everyone who helped to make our Cream Tea at Hutton Hall such a lovely afternoon. We are very grateful to all who helped with the preparations, provided cakes and scones, served refreshments, set up and cleared away, and to everyone who came along and supported the event. It was wonderful to see so many people enjoying one another's company in such beautiful surroundings. Thank you especially to all those whose hard work behind the scenes made the afternoon possible. A special thanks to Peter and Paola for kindly allowing to use their home for the event. We raised around £700 for parish funds, which is a wonderful achievement.

Arthur Edwards Talk

A huge thank you to Arthur for such a fascinating and entertaining evening last Saturday, sharing some wonderful photographs and stories from his remarkable career photographing the Royal Family. We are enormously

grateful to Arthur, not only for giving us his time so generously, but for his continued friendship and support of our parish. Thank you also to everyone who helped organise the evening, served refreshments, ran the raffle, set up and cleared the hall, and to all who came along and made it such a successful and enjoyable occasion. We raised just under £1500 for our parish – well done everyone!

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!

THE CALL TO BE HUMAN: *What has religion to do with morality?*

A talk to be given by Fr Martin Boland. Wednesday 14th October 7.00 – 8.00 p.m. in the parish centre of Our Lady of Lourdes, Wanstead.

For more information go to www.ourladyoflourdeswanstead.com, www.ourladyoflourdes.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.'

PARISH NOTICES

HUTTON:

200 Club AGM: Local authority regulations require us to hold an annual meeting of the 200 club, which will take place in the hall next Saturday, after the evening Mass, on **10th October**. All members of the 200 Club are welcome to come along. If you aren't a member of the 200 Club, then do consider taking a form and joining in with the fun, the chance of winning prizes, and being able to support the work and mission of our parish.

Parish Quiz Night:

Saturday **17 October** 6.30 for 7.00pm in the Hall. Cormac, our excellent quizmaster is returning!!

Tables of 8 or come as an individual and join a team. Parishioners from Ingatestone and St Joseph's Primary School parents are welcome.

£10 adults, £5 teenagers, primary school age children free. Bring your own drinks and snacks.

Tickets available after Mass at St Joseph's or email hutton@brcdt.org.

Christmas Party - 5th December

INGATESTONE:

New Sign: The new sign for outside the church has been ordered, and we will provide an update when it has been delivered.

Sound System: For some time now, the radio-mic in our church has been playing up. One of our parishioners at Hutton, Leszek, very kindly came and had a look at the system. As well fine-tuning the settings to prevent unnecessary feedback, he has also found a temporary solution to the issue of the radio-mic. He has promised to investigate what might be a longer-term and cost-effective solution to the problems we have had with it.

Trip to Ely Cathedral Christmas Fair - 19th November 2026

Jacinta is organising a trip to Ely Cathedral for the Christmas Fair on **19th November** with the coach leaving Ingatestone Catholic Church at **9.15am**. Arrival in Ely at c.**10.30** and pick up at 4.30pm to be back in Ingatestone by 6pm. All are welcome and roughly 16 tickets will be reserved so please let Jacinta know if you would like to come on **07949 270902** as soon as possible. The deadline is Monday, 12 October. Cost will be roughly £48 depending on numbers.

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 **Jim Kane R.I.P.**

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.

200 Club September Winners

1st Prize	2nd Prize	3rd Prize
Anne-Marie Ward	Ian Restall	J. Dunne

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.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Maranatha at Upminster 15 October 2026

Maranatha! Come Lord Jesus! All are warmly invited to an evening of prayer, praise and worship, including Mass and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, where we come together to encounter the Holy Spirit and share fellowship in a Catholic context. At St Joseph's Catholic Church, Upminster RM14 2SY on **Thursday 15th October 2026** 7:00pm to 9:00pm, with refreshments afterwards. Not been to Maranatha before - why not come and see?

Brentwood Catholic Youth Service

The BCYS offers retreats, events and pilgrimages for young people throughout the Diocese of Brentwood. If you'd like to get involved, you can find out more at www.bcys.net or follow @BrentwoodCYS on social media.

A Day With Mary

Taking place at Westminster Cathedral on Saturday, **7 November 2026** (9.45am to 5.00pm). The Most Reverend Richard Moth, Archbishop of Westminster will be the Celebrant & Preacher at 10.30am Cathedral Mass on that day.

Further information is available at <https://www adaywithmary.org/>

St Joseph the Worker RC Primary School, Hutton – Reception 2027 Parent Tours:

Thursday **5th November** – 9.15am. Tuesday **10th November** – 9.15am

Wednesday **18th November** – 2.00pm. Monday **23rd November** – 2.00pm.

To book a place, please contact the school office on 01 277227282.