

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER

Parish Hutton and Shenfield

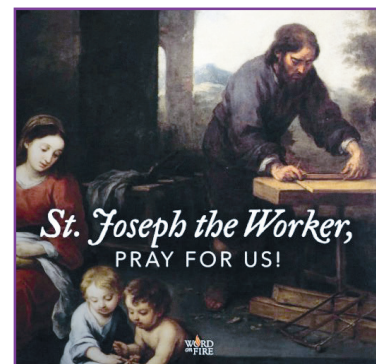
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Mission Statement

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.



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".

Welcome to our parish news of St. Joseph the Worker 24 September 2023

UPCOMING MASSES

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

Saturday 23 6.00 p.m.
Ammanel Rassam RIP
Sunday 24 10.30 a.m.
Eileen & Denise Norman
(68th Wedding Anniversary)
3.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m.
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (Do come along to pray to Jesus)

WEEKDAY MASSES

(Subject to Change i.e. For Funerals)
The name of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Tuesday 26 10.30 a.m.
Funeral Mass of Marion Barlow
Wednesday 27 7.30 p.m.
Chi-Vo RIP
Thursday 28 9.00 a.m.
Ammanel Rassam RIP
Friday 29 9.00 a.m.
Layla Petros RIP
Saturday 30 10.00 - 10.30 a.m.
Sacrament of Reconciliation

Do try and come to a weekday Mass.
We all need Jesus.

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

Saturday 30 6.00 p.m.
Cyprian Maducke Okoro RIP
Sunday 1 10.30 a.m.
For Our Parishioners
3.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m.
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Please note: The Newsletter is put together two weeks in advance. If you wish your mass intention to be printed, you will need to have it handed in by then. Thank you

Church Cleaners are always welcome

See elsewhere in this newsletter for further details or contact Fr. Leslie.

Friday Obligation

A reminder that as Catholics we are obliged not to eat meat on Fridays.

Masses

Don't forget to have a Mass said for members of your family or former parishioners. Envelopes are at the back of the church for this purpose. One day you will want someone to pray for you. 'It is a holy and wholesome thought to pray for our dead that they may be released from their sins' (Book of Maccabees).

Newsletter Production

Please Note: Newsletter goes to print a week in advance, keep this in mind if you want mass intentions said.



Welcome to all our parish families and visitors to our Sunday Mass. It is good to see you all.

There is a worrying trend that many of our parish have not returned to Sunday Mass which is a serious obligation unless we are sick or cannot get to Mass. Just look at the numbers for last week. We all have a duty to support your priest and parish financially and socially. Uppermost as we enter our church, we should remember that we are now in House of God. Our reflection should be on the words of Jesus "I am the Living Bread which has come down from heaven".

We have now begun preparation for our children 's First Holy Communion and Confession. Please journey with the parents and children during the coming months in prayer and thanksgiving. May God bless our families.

Funeral - Marion Barlow

Funeral Service for Marion Barlow will be on Tuesday 26 September at 10.30 a.m. (No morning Mass at 9.00).

I do encourage you to come to pray for the soul of Marion. May they Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory.

Wedding Anniversary

CONGRATULATIONS to Eileen and Denise Norman who celebrate 68 years of marriage on 24 September. Please also pray to the Lord's healing hand on them as they are very ill. Our Lady of Lourdes. Pray for them.

Month of October

This month we dedicate to Mary our Mother.
On 3 October Years 3&5 will come into the church to say one decade of the rosary.
On 4 October Years 6&2 will come into the church to say one decade of the rosary.
On 5 October Years 4&1 will come into the church to say one decade of the rosary.
Parents & Parishioners are welcome to join the children on these days.

Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday 23 September	6.00 p.m. Stella Walker Marian Anderson
Sunday 24 September	10.30 a.m. Blane McKie Willa Jackson
Saturday 30 September	6.00 p.m. Ewa Kania Mark Brennan
Sunday 1 October	10.30 a.m. Sarah Barber Percy Sam

Stella Maris

Thanks very much to all at St. Joseph the Worker parish for your kind support of the work of Stella Maris (The Apostleship of the Sea) through our Sea Sunday 2023 appeal. We are most grateful for your parish's total donation of £90. The generosity shown by your parishioners will help ensure that seafarers and fishers in this country and around the world will continue to receive the care and support that they so vitally need.

On behalf of us all at Stella Maris and our seafarers and fishers beneficiaries, I offer you and your congregation our heartfelt thanks for your compassionate and generous support of our ministry.

Baptism

Sacrament of Baptism - Saturdays at 11.00 a.m. Application Forms available for our Parish Administrator (hutton@dioceseofbrentwood.org).

Choral Vespers

Choral Vespers is celebrated in the Cathedral on Wednesdays at 6.00 p.m. Please try and join us.

Readers

Saturday 23 September	6.00 p.m. Natalie Coleman-Dale
Sunday 24 September	10.30 a.m. Hannah Ola
Saturday 30 September	6.00 p.m. Ian Restall
Sunday 1 October	10.30 a.m. Sati Ariya

Journey Home Threshold of Hope – Please read each week - (Continued)

Whenever something Jesus has said jars or grates with you, or you find yourself resisting his message, know that this is the effect it's supposed to have. Sometimes Jesus' teaching creates a negative response, of indignation, protest and complaint! Just as life isn't fair, sometimes the Gospel isn't either. The Gospel message is scandalous, insulting and outrageous, because in the Gospel we encounter the lavish, generous and wanton pouring out of God's grace on all of humankind, righteous and unrighteous alike. If we haven't touched something of the 'scandal of grace', then we haven't understood the 'Gospel of grace'. Jesus caused quite a stir through his association with so called public sinners, tax collectors, prostitutes, the poor, those with leprosy, and other people on the margins of society. The Pharisees were indignant and horrified because they reasoned that God loves the righteous and despises the unrighteous. However, Jesus revealed that God's love shines on both the righteous and the unrighteous, and the precise reason he was sent to this earth by the Father was to save the sinners, the poor, the outcasts, those far from God, those who would never even set foot in a synagogue or indeed a church! Where sin, darkness, evil and death abound, God's love, grace, goodness and mercy superabound!

Refreshments after 10.30 a.m. Mass

Tea and coffee will be served in the Hall after 10.30 Mass from the end of September, and on the first Saturday in the month after 6.00pm Mass. All are welcome to come into the hall after Mass for a drink and a chat.

Volunteers to help prepare and serve the refreshments at 10.30 Mass are always welcome. Please sign up on the rota for October to December in the Narthex.



MISSIO (Please pick one up)

The Autumn 2023 edition of 'Mission Today' is available on the table in the porch. The magazine includes a prayerful reflection for each day of October and this year's World Mission Sunday campaign featuring Sr. Mary, a wonderful missionary who works alongside the people of Kibera in Kenya as they meet the challenges of life in the largest 'slum' in Africa.

MISSIO is the Pope's personal charity and the Church's official charity for overseas mission in the developing world. Visit missio.org.uk to find out more or to donate online.

Thank you for your support,
Clare Barton.

Food Bank Collections



From 30 September/1 October we will be holding a monthly food bank collection to support Hutton Community Food Hub on the first Sunday of every month. Collections will also take place on 4/5 November, 2/3 December, and 6/7 January. Please bring along your donations of non-perishable tinned and packet goods, toiletries, nappies and non-food items and place in the boxes at the back of the church. If you are unable to donate at this time please remember all those in need in your prayers. *Thank you.*

Parish Pastoral Team Meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Pastoral Team will be on Wednesday 27 September at 20.00 in the Hall. If you have any issues that you would like to raise, please see Fr. Leslie.

First Communion Parents

Reconciliation – Once your child begins this journey, a good idea would be to have a meal to celebrate – invite grandparents, God parents and close friends. During the meal, give your child a card signed by all present with thoughts and blessings for a 'happy journey to first reconciliation.' (Ideally both parents will be part of this journey and will be involved as much as possible throughout the rest of this year).

Our Parish Vision

Our mission statement speaks of Christ at the centre helping us to grow in faith as a community where we all feel welcomed, loved and valued. We all have the opportunity to serve at our parish of St. Joseph in so many ways. There are many ministers, choir and music, altar serving, readers, eucharistic ministers, especially to bring Holy Communion to the sick, church cleaners, hospitality and welcome refreshment team.

Finance News

Please support the work, running and mission of the Parish by setting up a Standing Order via your on-line banking. Our Bank details are:

HSBC Plc, High Street, Brentwood, Essex
Account name: Catholic Church Hutton & Shenfield St Joseph The Worker
Sort code: 40-13-22
Account Number: 61018884



Pope on Twitter



Just as a river is a source of life for the environment surrounding it, so our synodal Church must be a source of life for our common home and all its inhabitants.

#Prayer is "water for the soul". It is humble, unseen, yet gives life. Those who pray grow inwardly. They know how to raise their gaze on high, remembering they are made for Heaven.

Every one of us is "forgiven": God gave his life for us and in no way can we recompense his mercy. However, by forgiving one another, we can bear witness to him, sowing new life around us.

Without forgiveness there is no hope; without forgiveness there is no peace. Forgiveness is the oxygen that purifies the air of hatred; it is the antidote to the poisons of resentment; it is the way to defuse anger and heal so many maladies of the heart

Anniversaries

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

We pray for: Liane Wilson, Waltrava Madejezyk, Edward Bridge, Denise Catterwell, Patricia Young, Ronald Smith, Anthony Slade, Frederick Shingles, Margaret Coyle, Grace Horn, Maureen Ives, and James Linsay.

Priests of our Diocese: Fr. Gordon Godfrey (2006), and Fr. Bernard Wakeling (1990) Please pray for all those who have lost a loved one during the pandemic – May these and all the faithful departed Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory.

Let us never forget our former priests or parishioners. They were part of our parish family. We pray that they will be part of the church triumphant and pray also for holy souls in purgatory the church suffering and for ourselves on our journey the church militant.

Hall Floor

As you can see the hall floor is being replaced and the hall painted. If you can help with any extra donation – would be much appreciated. Thank you

Light

Laughter

We all know about Murphy's Law: Anything that can go wrong will go wrong. But have you heard of Cole's Law? It's thinly sliced cabbage!

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