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## Mission Statement

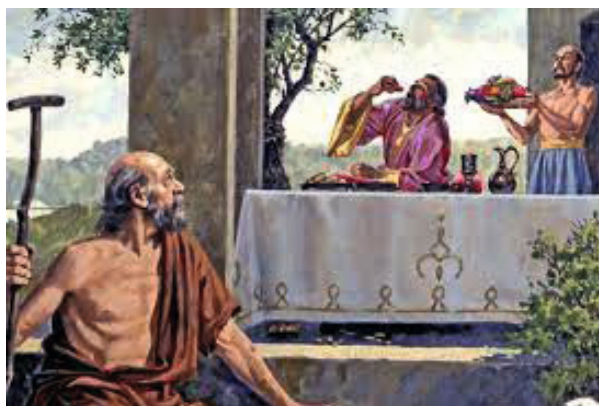
To have Christ at the centre of our lives, enabling us to grow in faith as a community where all feel welcome, loved and valued.



## 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 25 September 2022**



"There was a rich man who dressed in purple garments and fine linen and dined sumptuously each day. And lying at his door was a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who would gladly have eaten his fill of the scraps that fell from the rich man's table."

## IN TODAY'S GOSPEL

The Old Testament understands wealth as a blessing from God, a sign of divine generosity. It was something good, to be received with thanksgiving. Nevertheless, the prophets also taught that having wealth carried obligations. It was essential that the wealthy recognized the source of their blessings and imitated divine generosity.

The rich man in today's parable had failed to acknowledge the source of his blessings and hadn't imitated the divine generosity towards him by sharing with those in need. He was oblivious to Lazarus' needs, who 'longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table' (v.21), and never comforted him by satisfying this hunger. Keeping all the good things for himself, the rich man refused to share them and had singularly failed to listen to the prophets.

"The poor you will always have with you" (Mk 14:7). This is a summons never to lose sight of every opportunity to do good. Behind it, we can glimpse the ancient biblical command: "If one of your brothers and sisters... is in need, you shall not harden your heart nor close your hand to them in their need. Instead, you shall open your hand to them and freely lend them enough to meet their need... When you give to them, give freely and not with ill will; for the Lord, your God, will bless you for this in all your works and undertakings. For the needy will never be lacking in the land..." (Dent 15:7-8. 10-11). In a similar vein, the Apostle Paul urged the Christians of his communities to come to the aid of the poor of the first community of Jerusalem and to do so "without sadness or compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver" (2 Cor 9:7). It is not a question of easing our conscience by giving alms, but of opposing the culture of indifference and injustice we have created with regard to the poor.' (Message on Fifth World Day of the Poor).

*Lord, may I see giving to the poor and needy not as generosity, but as giving back to them what belongs to them: the rights and dignity that we take for granted.*

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## Upcoming Masses

### TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR C

#### THE WORD OF GOD

#### FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

#### SEPTEMBER

Saturday 24 6.00 p.m.  
Ammanuel Rassam RIP

Sunday 25 10.30 a.m.  
Ammanuel Rassam RIP  
*A Rassam*  
4.00 – 5.00 p.m. Exposition  
of the Blessed Sacrament

#### WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday 27 9.00 a.m.  
For Parishioners

Wednesday 28 7.30 p.m.  
Sarah Barry RIP  
Feast St. Michael, Gabriel,

Raphael

Thursday 29 9.00 a.m.  
Layla Petros RIP

Friday 30 9.30 a.m.  
Elizabeth O'Donovan RIP

Saturday 1 10.00 a.m. – 10.30 a.m.  
Confession (Sacrament of  
Reconciliation)

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

### TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR C

#### FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

Saturday 1 6.00 p.m.  
Fred Greenfield RIP  
*J. Greenfield*

Sunday 2 10.30 a.m.  
Mass for all Parishioners  
*Jo & Dorothy Durante*  
4.00 p.m. – 5.00 p.m.  
of the Blessed

Exposition  
Sacrament  
Church open each day for visit to Blessed  
Sacrament

\* Remember your loved ones by having a Mass  
offered for them. Your donation also forms  
part of your Priests salary.

\* Please remember to have a Mass said for  
family and friends. Envelopes in the Narthex.

\* Please note there are plenty of space during  
the week for mass to be said for your  
intentions or deceased members of your  
family or for the Holy Souls in purgatory.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Any Mass intentions have to  
be in a week in advance as our newsletter  
is printed a week in advance.

**PLEASE NOTE:** At the weekends you may  
not get the date you request because  
everyone wants mass at the weekend. So  
you may get a different day. However your  
mass can be said on a weekday nearer  
the date you request. I am mandated  
as a Parish Priest to offer mass for @  
Parishioners' each weekend.

We should have regular mass for our loved  
ones (Holy Souls) as often as we can.

#### Mass Attendance

Saturday 17 September: 86  
Sunday 18 September: 70



Welcome to all our parish family and visitors to our great  
celebration of our Holy Mass.

I want to thank Francesca for organising the recent social event  
attended for our young people which was well attended. We  
do need altar servers as they are important ministers at the  
altar. I invite our parents to have a conversation with their  
children about the beauty and love to be so near to Jesus and  
serving him as He invites them. We also need to have more  
readers including younger people also to proclaim the Word  
of God. Again I ask our parents to encourage their children to

come forward. These ministries, whether we are adults or young people, help us to  
understand the love of Jesus each day of our lives.

In our second reading today St. Paul tells Timothy to live with righteousness. To live  
with devotion, that is to be respectful to God in our daily lives. To have faith which  
speaks to us to live and trust God in everything. To love us to remember each day  
that God loves you and wants you to have him at the centre of your hearts. To be  
patient when we have problems, difficult situations and through suffering. To be  
gentle with other people as we serve, love and forgive others in our lives wherever  
we are. In our profession of faith which we say every Sunday we declare Jesus as  
our Lord and Saviour. Finally let us pay attention to our personal piety and religious  
practices. Let us pursue the virtues of righteousness, devotion to Jesus, faith, love,  
patience and gentleness. In other words I invite you to reflect on Chapter 5 in  
Mathew's Gospel on the Beatitudes.

Remember to keep 12 October free in the evening so that we meet our Bishop when  
he pastorally visits our parish, which is a blessing on all of us. You will have the  
opportunity to meet our Bishop in the Hall afterwards.

May God bless you all.

*Fr Leslie*

#### Church Cleaner required – please!

Just one hour on Thursday after 9.00 a.m. Mass.  
Many times we have asked for church cleaners.  
We should all have a profound love for our  
church, the house of God, and love to be  
privileged to spend a little time to keep it clean  
and sparkling.

The Narthex – Parish room/office and the church  
(not forgetting cobwebs), would you like to  
offer one hour of your time each week to keep  
our church clean? Please contact Jan Jarvis on  
200278. Thank you.

#### MISSIO

##### MISSIO RED BOXES

Please would everyone who has a red box leave it  
at the back of the church so that I can arrange  
for it to be counted and returned? Please make  
sure that your red box is clearly labelled with  
your name and address. The Autumn 2022  
edition of "Mission Today" is available to collect  
from the table in the porch.

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.

Thank you for your support, Clare Barton.

#### Bishop's Pastoral Letter

If you wish for a copy of the recent pastoral  
letter from Bishop Alan, please ask Fr Leslie.

#### Bishop's Pastoral Visit Wednesday 12 October.

Bishop Alan will visit the school from 2.00 p.m.  
He will celebrate Mass at 7.30 p.m. and will  
meet the parishioners in the hall afterwards.

A Bishop visit is a blessing on the parish. I hope  
many will come and fill our church and to meet  
him afterwards.

During the Mass he will confirm some of our  
young parishioners. Confirmation comes after  
Baptism and our parents should encourage  
them to receive and be sealed with the spiritual  
gifts of the Holy Spirit.

The three sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation  
and Holy Orders cover in addition to grace, a  
sacramental character or 'seal' of which the  
Christian shares in Christ's priesthood.

#### Family Fast Day - Friday 7 October 2022

By having a simple meal and donating to the  
collection on 9 October or by giving online,  
parishioners will be sharing a powerful act of  
solidarity. Please see white board in the Narthex.

#### Brentwood Catholic Children's Society

Children and young people in our community are  
vulnerable to all sorts of different pressures and  
challenges:

- Anxiety & depression
- Obsessive Compulsive Disorders or OCD
- Bereavement and family break-ups
- Low self-esteem
- Friendship issues and bullying
- Identity issues
- Anger or behavioural issues
- Self-harm or suicidal thoughts

If you are a young person in need of help or  
know someone who would benefit from our spe-  
cialist professional support, please contact us:  
01268 784544 [www.bccs.org.uk](http://www.bccs.org.uk)

#### Eucharistic Ministers For This Week's Masses

24 September 6.00 p.m.  
Mark Brennan  
Carol Turnbull

25 September 10.30 a.m.  
Willa Jackson  
Chris Brooks

#### Readers For This Week's Masses

24 September 6.00 p.m.  
Sophie Newbould

25 September 10.30 a.m.  
Uzoamaka Ekpechue

The First Holy Communion children will be  
reading the Bidding Prayers

#### Eucharistic Ministers For Next Week's Masses

1 October 6.00 p.m.  
Ewa Kania  
Ian Restall

2 October 10.30 a.m.  
Percy Sam  
Jan Jarvis

#### Readers For Next Week's Masses

1 October 6.00 p.m.  
Marian Anderson

2 October 10.30 a.m.  
Rose Mulvey

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## Journey Home – Threshold Of Hope Our Catholic Faith from Catechism of the Catholic Church

### THE TENTH COMMANDMENT

"You shall not COVET... anything that is your NEIGHBOUR... you shall not desire your neighbour's HOUSE, his field, or his MANSERVANT, OR HIS MAIDSERVANT, OR HIS OX, OR HIS ASS, OR ANYTHING THAT IS YOUR NEIGHBOUR'S".

#### In brief:

"Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also"

The tenth commandment forbids avarice arising from a passion for riches and their attendant power.

Envy is sadness at the sight of another's goods and the immoderate desire to have them for one-self. It is a capital sin.

The baptised person combats envy through good-will, humility, and abandonment to the providence of God.

Christ's faithful "have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires." They are led by the spirit and follow his desires.

Detachment from riches is necessary for entering the Kingdom of heaven. "Blessed are the poor in spirit."

"I want to see God" expresses the true desire of man. Thirst for God is quenched by the water of eternal life.

*To be continued next week – The Catechism of Catholic Church is available from any bookshop.*

## Our Liturgy In The Source & Summit

Our Saturday and Sunday Liturgy should be a beautiful and moving experience as we make present the death and resurrection of our Lord. More about this on [www.sourceandsummit.org](http://www.sourceandsummit.org). For us we need more altar servers especially our older ones.

We need a leader for the singing, especially entrance psalm.

We need an organist or keyboard player and the full participation in our gathering at church as we offer our praise and thanksgiving of the Lord.

Please check out [www.sourceandsummit.org](http://www.sourceandsummit.org)

### Bible Alive

October Issue £3.00

Now in the Narthex on the table. Please purchase a copy and reflect each day on God's word. You can use the QR code if you don't have cash with you.

Please also pray the rosary – what a powerful prayer with your families and teach your children to love Mary through this great prayer.

### Social Corner

#### ST. JOSEPH SOCIAL CORNER PARISH QUIZ EVENING.

Date for your diaries - 8 October after 6.00 p.m. Mass

Please book your place by putting your name on the list at the back of Church or emailing [sarah.barber.email@gmail.com](mailto:sarah.barber.email@gmail.com)

Teams can be for up to 8 people. Tickets are £3 each. Please bring your own food and drink, and we look forward to seeing you there.

#### A FEW ADDITIONAL DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Saturday 12 November – **Social event with Supper**

Saturday 10 December – **Mulled Wine & Mince Pies**

Please add these dates to your diary. More details to follow as we get closer to the above dates.

## Knit and Natter Or just knit. Or just natter!

Please do come along and meet other parishioners for tea and cake and just a natter if you don't want to knit! Be wonderful to see a few more of you. Any queries please don't hesitate to ring me Jan Jarvis 200278

Meet every other Friday in the parish hall every other week from 2.00 p.m. till 4.00 p.m.



## Evangelization

Parents and God parents, if your younger members of the family or even parents do not come to our Sunday celebration, please do the following:

### Pray for them

Encourage them to do so (do not let them follow the wrong path) but rather live their faith and do good works as we are reminded in the scriptures so often.

Do not let the world solely become our god. We can all evangelize by openly living our Catholic faith – pray, especially the rosary, reflect on the scriptures and have a belief in the real presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity.

We also need readers to proclaim the word of God at our celebrations of our liturgy, clearly.

We need stewards to welcome and help with the smooth running of our celebration.

We need church cleaners so that God's home is clean and welcoming amongst other things.

*Live Truth – Live Catholic.*

## Help is Needed

Leaves are already coming down with all the dry weather and, as Autumn approaches, Fr. Leslie needs people to come around regularly and clean up leaves from around the Hall and the Church and down the side of the house. If you could help or you know of someone who could help with this task, please come along to help.

If you are able to help, please bring a leaf-rake or leaf blower and bags and also dispose of them – that would be great. Tim does help but he needs help as does Fr. Leslie. Please come forward.

## Eternal Word Television Network (EWTN)

On Sky 586 or Contact EWTN and Radio (St. Clare Media, 15 High Street, Walsingham, NR22 6BY (0208 350 2542))

This is a catholic global catholic television network. Read more about this channel

[www.ewtnnews.com/catholic](http://www.ewtnnews.com/catholic)

I have ordered some leaflets about this wonderful channel to help each one of us how to live our faith into today's broken world and to help you to educate your children. This is God's world and we are his children – and he loves you. *Please find out more from the above contact.*

## Eucharistic Ministers

We are in need of new volunteers to be Eucharistic ministers to:

1. Take Holy Communion to our sick, housebound parishioners in their homes or care homes. Please contact Willa Jackson or Fr. Leslie.
2. Altar Servers - We are looking to train new altar servers for our parish celebrations of our holy Mass. It is a great privilege to minister at the altar. Again, if you wish to take on this ministry, please give your name and contact details to Fr. Leslie.

Thank you for the three people that have volunteered so far. We will be in touch shortly.



## Pope on Twitter



The lamp of faith will always be lit on earth as long as there is the oil of #prayer.

Let us not forget that #peace is possible when weapons are silenced and dialogue begins! And let us continue to pray for the suffering people of Ukraine and for peace in every land bloodied by war.

I am saddened by the recent fighting between Azerbaijan and Armenia. I express my spiritual closeness to the families of the victims, and I urge the parties to respect the ceasefire in view of a #peace agreement.

In times of crisis, we sometimes allow ourselves to be overcome by discouragement or start to complain. Instead, Jesus in the #GospelOfTheDay tells us to be clever in following the Gospel, attentive in discerning reality and creative in finding good solutions for us and others.

## Finance News

For the week ending Sunday 18 September you gave £150.00. with £19.00 through Gift Aid.

Second Collection: £100.00

*Thank you and God Bless.*

Remember, if you do not give by standing order or pay directly into the bank or by envelopes – please use the QR codes in this the newsletter. If you do not have a smartphone use the white buckets as you enter the church. Any one-off donation will be greatly received to help maintenance of the hall and church. *God Bless and thank you all so very much.*

## Anniversaries

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

**We pray for:** Waltraud Madejezyki, Edward Bridge, Denise Anne Catterwell, Patricia Anne Young, Ron Smith, Anthony Slade, Frederick Shingles, Margaret Coyle, Grace Horn, Maureen Ives, James Lindsay, and Christina Newman.

**Priests of our Diocese:** Fr. Gordon Godfrey (2006), Pope John Paul I (1978), and Fr. Bernard Wakeling (1990)

Remember to have Masses said for your deceased Relatives and Friends and Holy Souls in purgatory.

**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.

Light

# Laughter

I rang up my local swimming baths. I said: 'Is that the local swimming baths?' He said: 'It depends where you're calling from!'

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### 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. Free materials are available from the Catholic Enquiry Office.  
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### Refreshments After 10.30 a.m. Mass and 6.00 p.m. Mass

Please sign up to organize and serve refreshments after 10.30 a.m. Mass. Full instructions can be given and there are always willing helpers for washing up.

In the scriptures we hear 'that we should make hospitality our special care. We are all called to serve'. Please sign up on the list on the table in the Narthex. Also we ask people to come and share with other parishioners and come to know them. We can't always be in a hurry after Mass.

This event is important, just having celebrated 'The Lord's Banquet'. So come forward and sign up please and thank you in advance.

We also have refreshments after the 6.00 p.m. Mass on the first Saturday of each month i.e. Saturday 1 October, Saturday 5 November and Saturday 3 December. Help also needed, come on we are a family.





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