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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 28 April 2019

UPCOMING MASSES

THE SEASON OF EASTER

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

Saturday 27	6.00 p.m. For all parishioners
Sunday 28	8.30 a.m. Fred and Mary Wild RIP <i>M Wild</i> 10.30 a.m. For all parishioners 3.00 p.m. Divine Mercy Prayers and Benediction

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENNA

Monday 29 9.15 a.m.

ST. GEORGE

Tuesday 30 NO MORNING MASS

MAY

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER

Wednesday 1 NO MORNING MASS

Thursday 2 NO MORNING MASS

Friday 3 NO MORNING MASS

Saturday 4 NO MORNING MASS

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Confession is available before all Sunday and 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.



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.



JESUS IS THE REASON FOR THE SEASON

The 50 day Season of Easter

Each Sunday of the season is treated as a Sunday of Easter, and, after the Sunday of the Resurrection, they are named Second Sunday of Easter, Third Sunday of Easter, etc. up to the Seventh Sunday of Easter, concluding with Pentecost Sunday.

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 (27/28 April 2019)

6.00 p.m. Michelle Tobin
Ewa Kania
Ann Howarth
8.30 a.m. Jan Jarvis
John Spinks
Mary Allum
10.30 a.m. Mary Brooks
Will Jackson
Sharon Ruffles

Readers For This Week's Masses (27/28 April 2019)

6.00 p.m. Ann Howarth
8.30 a.m. David Holt
10.30 a.m. Will Jackson

Eucharistic Ministers for Next 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 Next Week's Masses (4/5 May 2019)

6.00 p.m. Ian Restall
8.30 a.m. Gerry Sarah
10.30 a.m. Sati Ariyanayagam

Anniversaries

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

Mary Heaphy, Desmond O'Reilly, Philip xx, Joseph Wilson, Gabriel Appapoulay, Diana Griffiths, Mary Boyer, Eileen Taylor, and Peter Harper

Priests of our Diocese:

Fr. Brian O'Higgins (2009), Fr. John Kennedy (2003), Canon Thomas Smith (1933), Fr. Fergus Saurin (1971), and Fr. Andrew Dorricott (2013)

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 Sbrayan, 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.

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

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 everyone today and to our Sunday liturgy.

On Easter Day we reflected on how the disciples came to believe in the Resurrection and understand its meaning through scripture. In today's Gospel the message for us is to live and profess our faith in the Risen Lord. We experience in our lives many fears. It is part of our Christian lives. The words of Jesus to his disciples is the same for all of us 'Peace be with you'. We believe in his promise of everlasting

presence and greetings of peace in every aspect of our lives both in good times and bad times. So no matter what illness or fears or hardship you have, and whatever situation you are in, bring them today and everyday to the Lord Jesus Christ and pray for healing, strength, endurance, patience and peace.

Do not be unbelieving but believe in his Promise.

Have a great Sunday with your families and a wonderful week.

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.

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.

Easter Season – 1

As we have journeyed this past week through Holy Week and bathed in the light and Joy of The Resurrection of Jesus, may our hearts be purified and renewed by the grace of the Holy Spirit.

Easter Season – 2

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.

Breakthrough – Release Date 17 May.

We don't normally go in for film reviews in the newsletter, but Christine and I are in the States at the moment and we have just seen the film "Breakthrough". It's 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! Being America, the movie received a standing ovation from the audience, which I have to say was packed into the cinema. Release date in the UK is 17 May. It's a must see! Ian Restall

Breaking News

We can confirm that the Bishop WILL be in attendance 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



Seen on a beach in Sarasota, Florida following an Easter Sunday Sunrise service. Lovely cross covered in white flowers. Very serene. Very peaceful.

Saints Days

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENNA

St. Catherine of Siena was born during the outbreak of the plague in Siena, Italy on March 25, 1347. She was the 25th child born to her mother, although half of her brothers and sisters did not survive childhood. Catherine herself was a twin, but her sister did not survive infancy.

Despite Catherine's religious nature, she did not choose to enter a convent and instead she joined the Third Order of St. Dominic, which allowed her to associate with a religious society while living at home.

St. Catherine developed a habit of giving things away and she continually gave away her family's food and clothing to people in need. She never asked permission to give these things away, and she quietly put up with their criticisms.

She often visited hospitals and homes where the poor and sick were found. Her activities quickly attracted followers who helped her in her mission to serve the poor and sick.

St. Catherine was drawn further into the world as she worked, and eventually she began to travel, calling for reform of the Church and for people to confess and to love God totally. She became involved in politics, and was key in working to keep city states loyal to the Pope. She was also credited with helping to start a crusade to the Holy Land. On one occasion, she visited a condemned political prisoner and was credited with saving his soul, which she saw being taken up to heaven at the moment of his death.

She also established a monastery for women in 1377 outside of Siena. She is credited with composing over 400 letters, her Dialogue, which is her definitive work, and her prayers. These works are so influential that St. Catherine would later be declared a Doctor of the Church. She is one of the most influential and popular saints in the Church.

ST. GEORGE

St. George is a highly celebrated saint in both the Western and Eastern Christian churches, and a large number of Patronages of Saint George exist throughout the world.

St. George is the patron saint of England. His cross forms the national flag of England, and features within the Union Flag of the United Kingdom, and other national flags containing the Union Flag, such as those of Australia and New Zealand. By the 14th century, the saint had been declared both the patron saint and the protector of the royal family.

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER

The feast of St. Joseph the Worker is celebrated on 1 May. Pope Pius XII established this feast day in 1955 to honour St. Joseph and celebrate the Catholic Church's commitment to the dignity of labour. St. Joseph cared for Mary, his wife, and Jesus, his son, through his work as a carpenter, representing the ideal of dignified work and faithful contribution to the common good.

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.*

Divine Mercy Sunday - Today

Sunday 28 April is Divine Mercy Sunday. At 3.00 p.m. there will be Divine Mercy Prayers, Adoration and Benediction.

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!

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

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



Pope on Twitter



May the proclamation of the Lord's Resurrection sustain our hope and transform it into concrete acts of charity. #Easter

Today, too, let us join in prayer with the Christian community of Sri Lanka, which was struck by terrible violence on Easter Sunday. We entrust to the risen Lord the victims, the wounded and all the suffering. #PrayForSriLanka

The resurrection of Christ is the true hope of the world. Happy #Easter!

Let us welcome Christ's victory over sin and death into our lives. In this way, we will draw His transforming power upon all creation as well.

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Altar Servers – THIS IS 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.

Light

Laughter

People are funny: they want the front of the bus, the middle of the road, and the back of the church.

Children's corner

Welcome to children's corner. Welcome to our children's corner. 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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