

# ST JOSEPH THE WORKER, HUTTON

## WITH ST JOHN AND ST ERCONWALD, INGATESTONE



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21<sup>ST</sup> / 22<sup>ND</sup> MARCH 2026 ✦ FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT [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 – every day 9am-5pm. St John's Tuesday & Friday 10.30am – 12.30pm; Sunday 8.30am – 11am.

NO MASS ON THURSDAYS

**ADORATION AND CONFESSIONS:** Saturday 10.30 – 11.15 a.m. or on request before Mass or any other time.

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS:** Wednesday and Friday 9.30 a.m. – 3 p.m.

### MASS INTENTIONS

<b>Saturday 21<sup>st</sup></b>	5.30 p.m.	Felipe Rivdalbas	<b>R.I.P.</b>
<b>Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	9.00 a.m.	Lilian Mary Jones	<b>(F)</b>
	10.30 a.m.	Private Intention	
<b>Monday 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	9.15 a.m.	Private Intention	
<b>Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup></b>	9.15 a.m.	Sydney Denis Fraser	<b>R.I.P.</b>
<b>Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup></b>	9.15 a.m.	Parish Community	
<b>Ingatestone</b>	12.30 a.m.	Terry Virgo	<b>R.I.P.</b>
<b>Friday 27<sup>th</sup></b>	9.15 a.m.	Private Intention	
<b>Saturday 28<sup>th</sup></b>	5.30 p.m.	Joseph Garrett	<b>R.I.P.</b>
<b>Sunday 29<sup>th</sup></b>	9.00 a.m.	John Sayce, and Jean & Roland Bill	
	10.30 a.m.	Desmond Maurice Fraser	<b>R.I.P.</b>

### OFFERTORY COLLECTION

*Thank you for your generous donations*

**Date 14 / 15 March 2026**

**Hutton 15<sup>th</sup> March:** £295.00

**Ingatestone 15<sup>th</sup> Mar:** £165.00

### ROTAS

	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
<b>Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> – 5.30 p.m.</b>	Nina Hackett	Brian Hackett
<b>Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> – 5.30 p.m.</b>	Marian Anderson	Catherine Bray
<b>Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> – 10.30 a.m.</b>	Keziah Ashley	Anne-Marie Ward
<b>Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> – 10.30 a.m.</b>	Sati Ariya	Amanda Spinks

### READINGS AT MASS

**First reading:** Ezekiel 37:12-14

**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalm 129(130): 1-6b. 6c-8.

**Response:** *With the LORD there is mercy, in Him is plentiful redemption.*

**Second reading:** Romans 8:8-11

**Gospel Acclamation:** John 11:25, 26

**Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.** *I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord. Everyone who believe in me shall never die.* **Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.**

**Gospel:** John 11:1-45

### MASS ATTENDANCE

<b>Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> March</b>	-	5.30 p.m.	121
<b>Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> March</b>	-	9.00 a.m.	35
<b>Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> March</b>	-	10.30 a.m.	100

### REFLECTION

The liturgies for Holy Week are set out below and I thought it would be a good opportunity to reflect a little on each one in the coming newsletter reflections. There is something particularly beautiful about the liturgy of **Maundy Thursday**. It is the moment when the Church gathers to begin the Sacred Triduum, the three holy days in which we accompany Our Lord through the Last Supper, the Cross, and the Resurrection. The Church does not simply tell this story. She allows us to enter into it.

One of the most moving moments of the Mass is the **washing of the feet**. In the Gospel, Our Lord rises from the table and kneels before His disciples. The Master becomes the servant. It is a quiet but powerful gesture. The One who is Lord of heaven and earth stoops down to wash the dust from the feet of His friends.

When the priest performs this same action in the liturgy, we see something of the humility of Christ made visible again. The Church does not invent new gestures each year. She carefully preserves the actions handed down through the centuries so that the Gospel can be experienced not only in words, but in signs that speak to the heart.

Maundy Thursday is also the night when we remember the **gift of the Eucharist** and the Priesthood. At the Last Supper, Our Lord gave His Church the means by which His sacrifice would remain present in every age. Each time the Mass is celebrated, that same mystery continues. What began in the Upper Room has never ceased and continues in every Catholic church throughout the world. We hear the bells for the last time until the Easter Vigil. We ring bells at the Gloria, but at the consecration we use a clapper, a less harmonious, discordant sound to signal the betrayal to come.

At the end of the Mass the Blessed Sacrament is carried in procession to the **altar of repose**, and the church gradually falls into silence as the faithful are invited to remain and watch with the Lord.

It recalls the moment in the Garden of Gethsemane when Jesus asked His disciples, *'Could you not watch with me one hour?'* The Church invites us to keep Him company, to pray quietly in His presence, and to remain close to Him as the night of His Passion begins.

In these moments we see something of the wisdom and beauty of the Church's liturgy. It teaches not only through words, but through silence, gesture, procession, and prayer. The liturgy allows us to step into the great mysteries of our faith and to walk beside the Lord in the most important hours of His life.

Maundy Thursday reminds us that the liturgy is never merely a ceremony. It is the living memory of Christ's love, handed on faithfully from generation to generation, so that we too may sit at the table of the Last Supper, receive the Bread of Life, and keep watch with Him in the quiet of the night.

I wish you and your loved ones a blessed week.

*Fr Gary*

### Easter Flowers

This weekend we will have a second collection for our Easter flowers. Please give generously if you are able. Whatever is left over will put towards the other liturgical costs that go with Easter. It is also possible to donate using the card machine. Just select 'Flowers' and you can make your donation in the usual way. Thank you in advance for your generous support as we try to make our celebration of Easter as beautiful as possible.

### Frances Tolladay RIP

Of your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of Frances Tolladay, a long-standing member of our parish, who died in the early hours of the morning on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> March. Funeral details will follow shortly. May she rest in peace.

### Stations of the Cross

Every Friday we will mark the Way of the Cross at Midday at St John's and 7pm at St Joseph's. Everyone is very welcome. This is a traditional Catholic devotion for Lent, and it takes about 20minutes.

## St Francis Leprosy Guild (SFLG): Parish's Lenten Charity 2026.

SFLG is our Lenten charity this year. To donate, please take a support envelope from the back of the church and return it at Easter. The St Francis Leprosy Guild is the UK's only Catholic leprosy charity and has cared for people with leprosy for 130 years. Each year 200,000 people are diagnosed with leprosy and millions more are living with the consequences of delayed leprosy treatment because of the stigma that still surrounds the disease. Leprosy is curable today with antibiotics, but we need to find and treat people before they develop disabilities. By supporting over 30 leprosy centres and projects in Africa, Asia and Brazil, SFLG aims to work towards a leprosy-free world. You can find out more about SFLG's work on their website: [www.stfrancisleprosy.org](http://www.stfrancisleprosy.org). Also, please feel free to speak to Fr. Gary or Clare Barton (one of our parishioners), who are trustees of SFLG.

### PARISH NOTICES

**Cathedral Penance Service:** The Cathedral will be hosting the Lenten penance service at 7.30pm 31<sup>st</sup> March. There will be a number of priests from across the deanery, and it provides an excellent opportunity to come to confession and receive the Lord's forgiveness in time for Easter. Do please join us if you can. Fr Gary is also available to hear confessions at any time convenient for you.

**Our Easter Hamper Raffle:** returns and tickets will be on sale after Mass. A chance to win a beautiful hamper as first prize, and a premium Easter egg as second, Proceeds go towards parish funds.

**Walk With Me Booklets:** A Journey of Prayer for Lent 2025 are on sale at the back of the church for £1. A helpful spiritual companion for keeping focused during Lent.

**Missio:** The Spring 2026 edition of "Mission Today" is available on the table in the porch. Missio is the Pope's charity for world mission, helping local missionaries to work alongside global communities that are poor or in need. Visit [missio.org.uk](http://missio.org.uk) to find out more or to donate online. Thank you for your support.

**Holy Week Services are as follows:** These will also be advertised in the parish Easter card! Please do take one as you leave this weekend.

#### St Joseph's, Hutton

##### Maundy Thursday, 2<sup>nd</sup> April

Maundy Thursday Mass – 7 p.m.

##### Good Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> April

Children's Stations of the Cross – 10 a.m.

Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion – 3 p.m.

##### Holy Saturday, 4<sup>th</sup> April

Blessing of Easter Food Baskets – Świąconka – 10 a.m.

Easter Vigil – 8 p.m.

##### Easter Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> April

Mass – 10:30 a.m.

#### St John and St Erconwald, Ingatestone

##### Maundy Thursday, 2<sup>nd</sup> April

Maundy Thursday Mass – 7 p.m. (at Our Lady and St Joseph, Stock)

##### Good Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> April

Children's Stations of the Cross – 11:30 a.m.

Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion – 3 p.m. (at Our Lady and St Joseph, Stock)

##### Holy Saturday, 4<sup>th</sup> April

Easter Vigil – 7 p.m. – celebrated by Fr John Corby

##### Easter Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> April

Mass – 9 a.m.

**Social Events at St Joseph's:** The Social Committee met to plan out some of the social events for the year. Please do put these dates in your diary and keep an eye on the newsletter for more details. Our Saturday events take place after the 5.30pm Mass.

16th May - Parish Celebration of 50th Anniversary of Consecration

6th June - Wine Tasting!

28th June - Parish BBQ at Hutton Hall

20th September - Cream Tea at Hutton Hall

17th October - Quiz Night

5th December - Christmas Party

**First Holy Communion:** FHC parents can find the Mass attendance register at the back of the church. Please sign this after Mass so that we know you have attended with your child. Many thanks.

**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, holy communion and confirmation cards available, plus some lovely handmade cross-stitch cards.

### 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.

**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.

#### 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.

**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.



**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.

**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.

**Marriage support** - Does your relationship need some TLC? Need help with deeper issues? Contact: +44 7887 296 983. Visit: [www.retrouaille.org.uk](http://www.retrouaille.org.uk)

**Hall Hire:** The Parish Hall of St Joseph the Worker is available for hire, please contact the Parish Office.

### SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES

**Baptism:** It is always a pleasure to welcome new members into the Church. It is by Baptism we become part of the Body of Christ. Baptism forms can be obtained from the parish office.

**FHC & Confirmation:** Email your inquiry to the parish office at [hutton@brcdt.org](mailto:hutton@brcdt.org).

**Marriage:** Please contact Fr Gary via e-mail to organise a meeting.

### COMMUNITY NOTICES

#### 4th Hutton Guides - Thursday

Would you like to inspire your daughter to develop individual, team and leadership skills whilst having fun? Activities are varied and include crafts, camping, climbing, first aid, games to name just a few. 4th Hutton Guides is for girls aged 10-14 and meet on a Thursday evening from 7.15 - 8.45 in the Parish Hall. If interested, please email [4thhuttonguides@gmail.com](mailto:4thhuttonguides@gmail.com)

### PARISH SCHOOLS

<https://www.st-josephworker.essex.sch.uk/>

#### Events:

- Mass and Big Lent Walk – 23rd March - Mass in Church then Walk - 9.15am Mass and Walk after Mass.

- Easter Performance – 27th March - School Hall - 2pm

All parishioners are more than welcome to attend!