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Parish Hutton and Shenfield

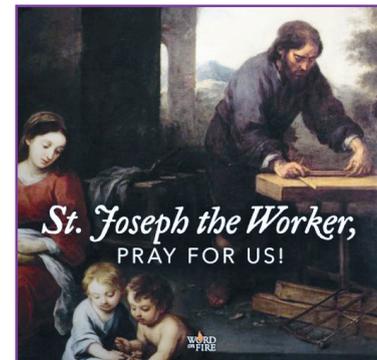
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Mission Statement

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 10 September 2023

UPCOMING MASSES

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

- Saturday 9 6.00 p.m.
The Curry Family
A Turvey
- Sunday 10 10.30 a.m.
For Our Parishioners
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 12 9.00 a.m.
Wednesday 13 7.30 p.m.
Holy Souls In Purgatory

Exaltation of the Cross

- Thursday 14 9.00 a.m.
Friday 15 9.00 a.m.
Sister Marian Therese
Platinum Jubilee
M&J Anderson
- Saturday 16 10.00 - 10.30 a.m.
Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

- Saturday 16 6.00 p.m.
Mykhailo Leskow RIP
RC Briggs
- Sunday 17 10.30 a.m.
For Our Parishioners
3.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m.
Adoration of the
Blessed Sacrament

Eucharistic Ministers

- Saturday 9 September 6.00 p.m.
Marian Anderson
Carol Turnbull
- Sunday 10 September 10.30 a.m.
Bill O'Regan
Lyn Birnie
- Saturday 16 September 6.00 p.m.
Mark Brennan
Ian Restall
- Sunday 17 September 10.30 a.m.
Chris Brooks
Percy Sam

Readers

- Saturday 9 September 6.00 p.m.
Mark Brennan
- Sunday 10 September 10.30 a.m.
Uzoamaka Ekpechue
- Saturday 16 September 6.00 p.m.
Sophie Newbould
- Sunday 17 September 10.30 a.m.
Peter Sanders



Welcome to our parish community and to our Visitors.

We look forward to our young people returning to our School. We also welcome our new headteacher, Shaun and new staff who have taken up positions in our school. I am hoping with the co-operation of our school that we may be able to have once a month our children singing at Mass. We also need to keep our reverence for the Blessed Sacrament when we enter in the church and leaving. Also we need to form a choir with someone to lead it. I invite all our parish family to be faithful to our parish vision which is printed on the front of our

newsletter. Reflection: St. John Chrysostom wrote "whenever we sit in a barber's chair or are at the hairdressers to have our hair cut, we take a mirror and carefully examine the arrangement of every lock. Yet of our soul, deformed and transformed into a wild beast, we haven't even the least perception". This lack of self-knowledge, the fruit of an examination of life, can make us self-deceived and deceiving others. The prophet Jeremiah said "The heart is deceitful above all things (17: 9). It was self-deceit which led the Pharisees towards unbelief and a stubborn refusal to believe in the One the Father sent. We must not despair. If we open our hearts to the Holy Spirit, we will see how we're deceived by the voice of the devil and fall short of God's glory. Lord help me to understand the way that I deceive myself and others.

I wish all our families a safe week and God's blessing.

First Communion Programme 2023/2024 - Starts This Wednesday

The first parent meeting is on Wednesday 13 September at 8.00 p.m. - This meeting will now be in the church, due to the church hall renovations (Please enter the church quietly, as mass will be on from 7.30-8pm)

The first Childrens meeting is Saturday 23 September 9.15 a.m. - 10.30 a.m. in the parish hall.

MISSIO

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.

Flowers in church

Now in particular we need a flower arranging team who will be responsible for creating floral decorations for weekend Masses and special occasions.

Jan has done this beautiful task with Mary Allum for many years. Now they feel it's time to step down after nearly thirty years. We as a parish thank them both with gratitude. We now need a new team of parishioners to continue this ministry. Please contact the parish office or Fr. Leslie to continue securing our community and our Blessed Lord who is always present in the church day and night. Thank you in anticipation and prayer.

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.

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

Jesus, in order to save us and reconcile us with the Father, desired to give his life for us as a sacrifice on the cross: 'Jesus... who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame...' He knew that carrying out his Father's will would inevitably bring him suffering and death: '...the Son of man will be delivered... to the Gentiles to be mocked... flogged and crucified. That's why, when Peter attempted to persuade him not to do God's will to avoid suffering and death, Jesus sternly rebuked him: 'You are a hindrance to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things, but on human things'. Jesus was willing to pay the full cost; in the courage and power of the Spirit he endured all his sufferings 'with loud cries and tears.' 'Teach us, good Lord, to serve thee as thou deservest; to give and not to count the cost; to fight and not to heed the wounds; to toil and not to seek for rest; to labour and not to ask for any reward, save that of knowing that we do thy will.'

Lunchtime Recitals

Please put a note in your diaries for Wednesday 20 September at 1.00 p.m. when we will begin our Autumn Music Recital session with David Silkoff who will be playing the following beautiful pieces:-
Beethoven Sonata op.53 'Waldstein'
Schubert Impromptu op.90 in Gb
Schumann Arabesque op.18
Ravel Jeu d'eau
Chopin Nocturne op.48 in C minor
Chopin Ballade no.1 in G minor
Refreshments will be available in the Song School afterwards.

From Bishop Thomas (Parish Outing) – NEXT SATURDAY

Bishop Thomas Emeritus has suggested a day out at our Cathedral – now that it is listed Grade II. He would like to do this with proposed 'link' parishes. The proposed schedule would be as follows:
Date: Saturday 16 September – Arrive at Cathedral 12 noon. Introductory talk by Fr. Martin or Bishop Thomas on the history, architecture and liturgical layout of the cathedral and its artefacts, then time for questions and tour. Picnic lunch in the hall (each are invited to bring their own lunch). Concelebrated mass in the Cathedral. It would be great for a positive number from our parish as Bishop Thomas Emeritus has offered us this opportunity to learn about our Cathedral, the mother church of our Diocese.

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).

SPUC Petition Day 2023

SPUC - The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children.

SPUC wants a world where abortion is unthinkable, and is raising awareness of the widespread problem of abortion coercion.

The petition calls for the Prime Minister to end the Government's unacceptable funding of China's totalitarian state.

Please sign the petition to help SPUC defend unborn babies, and their mothers, by highlighting this terrible rights abuse.

Either Scan QR code on the white board in Narthex or www.spuc.org.uk/complicit-petition

Vacancy – Parish Administrator – St. Joseph the Worker

St. Joseph the Worker, Hutton is looking for a Parish Administrator to provide complete and comprehensive administration for the church community. The candidate must have excellent written and verbal communication skills and be able to manage their own workload. The post is for 12 hours a week, over 2 days (one must be a Friday). CV and Covering letter required for application. For further information (as well as Job Description) please contact Fr. Leslie Knight on 01277 221917 or email hutton@brcdt.org

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.

Baptism

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

Newsletter Production

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

Choral Vespers

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

Bible Alive £3.00

Scripture, the word of the Lord proclaimed clearly every day, is printed in Bible Alive. We need to be familiar with God's word, in order to live our call to holiness and family prayer. Please purchase a copy each month. In this month's edition, for example, we hear that 'Miracles do Happen.'

Mass Attendance:

Saturday 2 September: 51
Sunday 3 September: 60

Finance News

For the week ending Sunday 3 September you gave £165.00 with £4.00 via Gift Aid.
Thank you and God Bless



Pope on Twitter



Dear brothers and sisters of #Mongolia, thank you for the gift of friendship that I received in these days. Bayarlalaa! May God bless you. You are in my heart, and in my heart you will remain. Remember me, please, in your prayers and in your thoughts

The Word always brings us back to what is essential to faith: allowing God to love us so as to make our lives an offering of love. For love alone truly quenches our thirst.

The House of Mercy. Those two words contain the definition of the Church, called to be a home where all are welcome and all can experience a love that stirs and moves the heart: the tender love of the Father, who wants us to be brothers and sisters in his house.

Don't be concerned about small numbers, delayed success, or relevance that never comes. Let us look to Mary, who in her littleness is greater than the heavens, for she hosted within her the One whom the heavens and the highest heavens cannot contain

Anniversaries

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

We pray for: Agnes Cahill, Michael Swift, Encarnacion Fern, Agnes Howitt, Margaret Felton (Molly), Alan Nelson, and Philip Barrett.

Priests of our Diocese: Fr. Charles Johnson (1991), Fr. Conrad Smith (2012), Fr. Theophilus Borer (1952), Abp. George Andrew Beck (1978), Lo-adjute Bishop of Brentwood (1948-1951), Third Bishop of Brentwood (1951-1955), Canon James Hemming (1988), Deacon Arthur Woods (1998), Fr. Louis Heston (1993), Fr. John Bergin (1984), and Canon Patrick Sammon (2022)

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 read that by law you must turn on your headlights when it's raining in Sweden, but how am I supposed to know when it's raining in Sweden?

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