

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER

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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 6 June 2021

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The Body and Blood of Jesus Christ

Hello and welcome to all our parish family especially on this special feast day of Our Lord's Body Blood Soul and Divinity in the holy Eucharist. I would like to remind you of the recent words of the Bishops of England and Wales. "In facing the challenges with COVID 19, we are endowed with veritable treasures which serve to resource and enrich us. Among them are our schools, in which so many are regaining confidence to come together with others. We believe our schools can indeed be bridges back to church. There is also the remarkable work of social outreach which has grown during these long months of pandemic. On this too we must build. But the greatest treasure is, of course, the sacramental life of the church, and pre-eminently, the Eucharist. It is the Eucharist, the celebration of Mass, that makes the Church; and it is the Church, in the gift of the Holy Spirit, which makes the Eucharist. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is the lifeblood of the Church. It requires our active participation and, to be fully celebrated, our physical presence. At this moment we need to have in our sights the need to restore to its rightful centrality in our

lives the Sunday Mass, encouraging each to take his or her place once again in the assembly of our brothers and sisters. We face the task of seeking to nurture the sense of Sunday as a "weekly gift from God to his people", and something we cannot do without; to see Sunday as the soul of the week, as giving light and meaning to all the responsibilities we live out each day; to see the Sunday Eucharist as food for the unique mission with which we have been endowed. In the time to come we can do no better than to rekindle in our hearts, foster and encourage, a yearning for the Real Presence of the Lord and the practice of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, a gift so deeply appreciated in these times of lockdown. We need to begin by fostering this in ourselves. For the Eucharist should be the cause of our deepest joy, our highest manner of offering thanks to God and for seeking his mercy and love. We need to make it the foundation stone of our lives.....

Pope St. John Paul II spoke of our amazement at the gift of the Mass and the abiding Presence of our Blessed Lord in the Sacrament of the Altar. Herein lies our treasure, enriching our relationship with Jesus and bringing together every aspect of our life and mission. This is such an important focus for our task in the coming months".

I ask you all again to prayerfully reflect on our Bishops' words and indeed those of Pope St. John Paul II. We would love to see our community coming together in celebration of our Sunday Mass. I and others have missed you and your support. May the Lord Jesus and His Blessed Mother guide and protect our families today and always.

UPCOMING MASSES

THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (B)

THE WORD OF GOD

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

Saturday 5 Mass at 6.00 p.m.
People of the Parish
Sunday 6 Mass at 10.30 a.m.
John Wright RIP
H. Wright

Friday 11 Feast of the Most Sacred
Heart of Jesus
Mass at 9.00 a.m.

The church is open for Private prayer from 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.

Mass is celebrated privately except Friday when there will be a public mass at 9.00 a.m.

Saturday 12 Church open for private prayer from 10.00 a.m.
Confession by Appointment or before Mass on request

ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)

THE WORD OF GOD

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

Saturday 12 Mass at 6.00 p.m.
Peter & Marian Sycamore Int
Sunday 13 Mass at 10.30 a.m.
People of the Parish
Friday 11 Mass at 9.00 a.m.

It has always been Catholic Practice to have a Mass said for the sick, Private Intentions and for the Dead.

Please note Mass is celebrated each day privately except Fridays. For more public morning Masses, we need two stewards as a minimum as expressed in the guidelines for public services. Please come and help.

Mass Attendance

Saturday 29 May: 33
Sunday 30 May: 51

Ordination – Fr. Joseph (Shaun) Bailham

Ordination to the sacred Priesthood of Fr. Joseph (Shaun) Bailham OP on Sunday 4 July 2021, 12 noon at St Dominic's Church, Southampton Road, London, NW5 4LB. If we get enough people we could hire a minibus as he was at one time an Alter Server here at St. Josephs. If you wish to attend, please indicate to Fr. Leslie or one of the Stewards and place your name and contact details at the back of the church. Thank you.

Collection

Unless you are paying regularly by Standing Order, please put your weekly donation in the white bucket as you exit church after Communion.

Thank you and God Bless.

Baptisms

Numbers we are allowing will be 15. Please wear a mask. Contact the Parish Administrator for a Baptismal Form.

Mass Offering Envelopes

Mass Offering Envelopes are in the narthex.

Masses

Don't forget to have a Mass said for repose of the soul of family and friends or those who are sick or private intentions. Envelopes are on the table in the Narthex. Please enclose a donation.

Altar Servers

COVID has prevented us having Altar Servers to serve at Mass. However, shortly we will be slowly asking you to return. Altar Servers Albs need washing, if anyone could help that would be good. Thank you.

Anniversaries

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

We pray for: Either Webster, Vera Ferrari, William Nash, Gladys Regan, Sheila Ketley, Constance Scannell, Antoinette Taylor, Joan Burgess, William Chester, Peter Lyden, and Louis O'Danovan.

Priests of our Diocese: Fr. Edmud Tyler (1984), Fr. Gerald Butcher (2017), Fr. Thomas Crowe (2002), Fr. John Gallagher (2012), and Fr. Robert Mortimer-Anderson (2012)

May these and all the faithful departed Rest in peace and rise in Glory. Rest in peace and Rise in Glory.

Please pray for all those who have lost a loved one during the pandemic – May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

Sickness

We pray for our sick in our parish:

Jacqueline Birnie, Norah McPherson, Mano Subryan, Diana Pearce, Liz Kent, Alan Bailey, Brian Donoghue, Patricia Green and Mary Alcock.

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.

From Fr. Dominic Howarth

The Bishops of England and Wales issued a key statement on Environmental issues last week, and you may be wondering what the Diocese of Brentwood is doing on this matter. This therefore seems a fitting moment to share with you some work that has been going on in the Diocese over the last few months, and to ask for your prayers.

1. There is a group working on Environmental commitments and actions across the Diocese
2. The work is going well, and drafts will be ready for Deaneries and others to consider in late June/July
3. The resources for parishes will be rooted in our Catholic faith, with prayerful resources as well as calls to commitment and action
4. Please keep the weekend of 2/3 October free from other parish appeals/commitments, if possible, so that it can be a launch weekend for this key aspect of living faith, at a time when climate change is a global emergency.

More Details Later.

If you want to begin more quickly in your parish, then the best place to start is with the Cafod LiveSimply award. The resources and ideas to support a parish seeking the award are excellent; both practical and helpful. You will find everything at <https://cafod.org.uk/Campaign/Livesimply-award>

Parish Sunday Afternoon Rosary Group

The group meets at 4.30 p.m. online, every Sunday, for about 30-40 minutes to say one set of the Mysteries of the Rosary (5 decades each week) and also to pray for the parish and any specific intentions.

Contact Tyrone tyroneseq@yahoo.co.uk for a link to be sent via email.

First Holy Communion Parents

We will shortly be informing you when the First Communion will be beginning. In the meantime – arrange a prayer area in your homes which can be seen by all. Pray with your children in particular the Rosary and bring your children to our Sunday celebration of the Eucharist.

Eternal Word Television Network (EWTN)

Eternal Word Television programs on Sky 588 (EWTN). This is a catholic network channel which has various programs on the Catholic Faith and Devotions especially children saying the Rosary, Mass, Journey Home, Catholic News and much more. Please look at it from time to time. You will find it very helpful. It is Global.

MISSIO

The Summer 2021 edition of "Mission Today" is available for Red Box holders to collect from the table in the porch. This is the Impact Report showing what has been achieved by MISSIO and the Mill Hill Missionaries with supporters' donations in 2020. Please hold on to your red boxes for the time being and I will empty them when the Covid 19 restrictions are lifted. In the meantime, please consider donating directly online by visiting the website missio.org.uk

Thank you for your support. *Clare Barton*

Aid to Church in Need

From St. Joseph we must learn... Care and responsibility, we must learn to love the child and his mother, to love the sacraments and charity, to love the church and the poor (Pope Francis).

Should you wish to help the Church in Need please contact:

Aid to the Church in Need, 10-14 Benhill Avenue, Sutton, Surrey SM1 4DA.
Tel: 0208 642 8668

A small Direct Debit would be a great help to our suffering Brothers & Sisters.

The Day of the Lord

While the lifting of the Sunday Obligation remains in place, it is important to emphasise the intrinsic value of our Sunday gathering for the celebration of the Mass. Please reflect on the leaflet given out last Sunday from the Bishops of England and Wales.

Lourdes At Your Local

Once again, it is not possible to travel to Lourdes there will be a series of events and masses across the diocese during the week when the diocesan pilgrimage would have taken place. Masses will be celebrated by the Bishop at 11.00 a.m.

Each of these masses will include the sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, and will conclude with the Angelus at 12 noon, followed by refreshments in the parish hall. For our parish St. Joseph's – we are invited to the Cathedral of St. Mary and St. Helen Brentwood on Friday 30 July.

On Saturday 31 July there will be a special event for young adults 18-28 (school year 13 and above).

'Lourdes on your lawn' hosted at Walsingham House at Abbotswick – Mass will be celebrated at 12 noon, followed by a picnic in the grounds.

I encourage our parish family to

- ♦ Attend the mass on at the cathedral on 30 July @ 11.00 a.m.
- ♦ I ask parents to encourage their young adults to go to Abbotswick on Saturday 31 July for 'Lourdes on the Lawn'.



Pope on Twitter



Even if our prayers might ramble and be weakened by a wavering faith, we must never stop putting our trust in Jesus. Supported by Jesus' #prayer, our timid prayers rest on eagles' wings and soar up to heaven.

We pray to you, Blessed Mother, that you might untangle the knots that oppress us so that we can witness with joy to your Son and our Lord, Jesus Christ.

If we forget the good, our hearts shrink. But if, like Mary, we remember the great things that the Lord does, if at least once a day we offer a short #prayer of praise, our hearts will expand and joy will increase

The mystery of the Most Holy Trinity is an immense mystery, which exceeds the capacities of our minds, but that speaks to our heart, because we find it encompassed in that expression of Saint John which summarizes all of Revelation: "God is love".

Finance News

For the week ending 30 May you gave £136.91 of which £6.00 was through Gift Aid.

Thank you and God Bless.

200 Club

The 200 Club has been running in our Parish for many years and over that time it has contributed many thousands of pounds to assist with the Parish finances.

It is a relatively painless way of giving, and of course benefits you (hopefully) and the Parish at the same time. All you need to do is to complete a Standing Order form for £2.00 each month and you will be entered into a monthly draw to win cash prizes of up to £50. It's that simple. Marian will be handing out Standing Order forms at Masses this weekend so please take a moment to take one, complete it and set the process in motion. Cash prizes are just a signature away! What's not to like!



Covid Safety

Masks are to be worn in the church – please keep a safe distance unless you are one family bubble. Please sanitize your hands on entry and departure from the church.

Lourdes Holy Father's Day for Grandparents and the Elderly – 25 July 2021

At the end of January, the Holy Father announced a 'World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly' to be held annually on the Fourth Sunday in July (25 July 2021). The announcement formed part of Pope Francis' Angelus address on 31 January, a copy of which can be found at: http://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/angelus/2021/documents/papa-francesco_angelus_20210131.html

Light

Laughter

How do you stop an astronaut's baby from crying?

You rocket!

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