

ST JOSEPH THE WORKER, HUTTON

WITH ST JOHN AND ST ERCONWALD, INGATESTONE



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30TH / 31ST AUGUST 2025 ✠ TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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 – 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

Saturday 30th	5.30 p.m.	<i>Fred Greenfield</i>	<i>R.I.P.</i>
Sunday 31st	9.00 a.m.	<i>Pro Popolo</i>	
	10.30 a.m.	<i>Eileen Norman</i>	<i>R.I.P.</i>
Monday 1st	9.15 a.m.	<i>Noel Moran</i>	<i>Intention</i>
Tuesday 2nd	9.15 a.m.	<i>Kenneth Law</i>	<i>Intention</i>
Wednesday 3rd	9.15 a.m.	<i>Eileen Morman</i>	<i>R.I.P.</i>
Friday 5th	9.15 a.m.	<i>Murray Bolt</i>	<i>R.I.P.</i>
Saturday 6th	5.30 p.m. -	<i>Jim Rossiter</i>	<i>R.I.P.</i>
Sunday 7th	9.00 a.m.-	<i>Marian Hickey</i>	<i>(Healing)</i>
	10.30 a.m. -	<i>Pro Popolo</i>	

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Thank you for your generous donations

Date 23/24 August

Hutton:	£245
Ingatestone:	£99.90 (Collection)
	£130 (Sunday 17 th)

ROTAS

	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
Saturday 30th – 5.30 p.m.	Mark Brennan	Marian Anderson
Saturday 6th – 5.30 p.m.	Nina Hackett	Ewa Kania
Sunday 31st – 10.30 a.m.	Sophie Newbould	Lyn Birnie
Sunday 7th – 10.30 a.m.	Cianna Dareal	Chris Brooks

READINGS AT MASS

First reading: Ecclesiasticus 3:19-21,30-31

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 67(68):4-7,10-11

Response: *God, in your goodness, you have provided for the needy*

Second reading: Hebrews 12:18-19,22-24a

Gospel Acclamation: Matthew 11:29

Alleluia, Alleluia

Take my yoke upon you, says the Lord, and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart. Alleluia

Gospel: Luke 14: 1, 7-14

MASS ATTENDANCE -

Saturday 23 August – 5.30 p.m.	72
Sunday 24 August – 9 a.m.	25
Sunday 24 August – 10.30 a.m.	68

FR GARY

In today's Gospel, Jesus notices how people scramble for the best seats at a meal. It is a small scene, yet it reveals something deep about the human heart. We all want to be noticed, to be valued, to have a place of honour. But the Lord teaches us that true greatness is found in humility.

'When you are invited, go and sit in the lowest place,' he says. The way of Christ is not self-promotion, but self-forgetfulness. It is not seeking the highest place, but being content with the lowest, in the knowledge that our worth comes not from the opinion of the world around us but in our dignity as sons and daughters of God, Who loves us to the point of dying for us, in the person of Jesus, on the Cross.

In the end, God himself is the one who exalts. As the Book of Sirach reminds us: 'The greater you are, the more you must humble yourself; so, you will find favour in the sight of the Lord.'

There is also a second lesson in this Gospel. Jesus tells us to invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. This is more than a command to be charitable. It is a reminder that in God's Kingdom, honour is not measured by wealth or status, but by love. The true banquet is open to those who have nothing to repay us with, because that is how God deals with us. We have nothing to give him except our love, and yet he calls us to his table.

Humility and generosity, then, go hand in hand. The humble person makes space for others, especially for those the world overlooks. And in doing so, he or she discovers the joy of the Kingdom, where the last shall be first, and the least shall be welcomed with honour.

May God bless you and your families this week.

Fr Gary

Raffle Prizes

Are you going away on holiday this year? Are you someone whose eye is always caught by the delights of duty-free? Would you consider buying something to donate for one of our events. We are always looking for good raffle prizes so if you able to donate something on your return from your well-deserved break then we would very much appreciate it. Safe travels!

School Applications – Certificates of Catholic Practice

Please contact the parish office if you require a Certificate of Catholic Practice as part of a school application form. The form requires Fr Gary to affirm that you attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation. If you are not a regular attender at Mass, then there is no need for a certificate, and you may apply directly to the school of your choice.

PARISH NOTICES

Fr Leslie - has enjoyed his visits here in my absences due to holiday or diocesan commitments. I am very grateful to him because it is not always easy to find priests able and willing to supply! We are putting together a rota of people who might be willing to take Fr Leslie out for lunch or a coffee. I am sure he will glad of the opportunity to catch up with you. Please get in touch with the office and we will put you in touch with Ian who is putting together something of an informal rota. Thank you!

Alpha at St. Joseph, Hutton

There are only a few weeks to go until Alpha begins on 17 September. There is still time to enroll to find out more about the Christian faith and big questions of life. Parishioners from Ingatestone will be most welcome also. Email hutton@brcdt.org or sign the list at the back of the church in St Joseph's to find out more. Come and see!

Alpha needs the prayers of all the parish especially in the next few weeks. Please join with us in saying this prayer daily:

Heavenly Father, I pray for my friends, my parish community and for Alpha. Lord, let your kingdom come and your will be done. Holy Spirit come fill me today that I might share the good news of Jesus Christ to those around me. Amen.

First Holy Communion

The first meeting for parents who have signed up to the First Holy Communion course will take place on **9th September** in the parish hall at 8pm. Further information about the course will be given at this meeting. Please note that this meeting is only for parents of children who have been accepted on to the course.

Food Bank Collection

Our monthly food bank collection in support of Hutton Community Food Hub resumes on 06/07 September at St Joseph's.

Please bring along tinned and packet items, toiletries, nappies and toilet rolls, to support those in need in Hutton. Thank you.

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.

This week the sanctuary lamp burns for the Intentions of ***The Living and deceased Children, and Grandchildren of the Late Leo & Theresa Kenny.***

Tea and Coffee



Tea and coffee are available after both the 9am at Ingatestone and the 1030am Mass at Hutton.

Refreshments are also served after the Saturday evening Mass on the first Saturday of the month.

Refreshments resume after 10.30 Mass on Sunday 07 September. 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.

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.

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: There are cash prizes to be one 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.

Funerals: To book a funeral, please contact the Parish Office.

Mass Intentions: If you would like to offer a Mass, the envelopes are available in the Church Porch. Please drop your Mass intention envelopes into the offertory basket during Mass.

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.

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

Brentwood Catholic Youth Service – Youth Gather, 25th – 26th October

Youth Gather is a weekend of faith, fun and friendship – with speakers, workshops, prayer and outdoor activities, meeting friends old and new, and all while sharing in and celebrating our Catholic faith. There will be coaches offering transport from around the Diocese included in the cost, as well as all meals, cabin accommodation and activities. This event is for year 9 and above. Apply now at www.bcys.net/events

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.

First Holy Communion: The deadline for submitting forms has now closed. Details regarding the opening meeting are above.

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

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Ride and Stride 13th September

If anyone would like to do a guided local walk starting at 10.15 as their Stride for sponsorship, please contact me on patriciamac@hotmail.co.uk with your name and phone number by 7th September and I will pass these details to the guide so that a preferred local route can be taken.

If anyone would like to join the list of Stewards at Ingatestone Church for an hour between 10-4 that would be a great help. Please sign up at Ingatestone or use the email address above. Cakes will be on sale during the event too!

Help London's Pro-Life Pregnancy Centre Stay Open

- ♥ The Good Counsel Network's funds are dangerously low.
- ♥ We offer expectant mums help with housing, financial assistance, legal, and medical support, baby goods and clothes, advice, ongoing support long after the baby is born.
- ♥ If we run out of funds, we cannot continue to help dozens of Mothers keep a roof over their head.



Support Good Counsel today

Use the QR code to donate or go to www.goodcounselnetwork.com donate page for more details.



PARISH SCHOOLS

EVENTS

Diocesan Jobs – For further details, please visit <https://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/diocese/working-for-us/>

Summer fun fact

What is the name for plants and trees that remain green and healthy for more than one season?

Answer: Evergreen

THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

*Please pray for our departed parishioners:
+Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light
shine upon them. Amen+*

*Please don't forget to have a Mass said for the response of the soul of a
family member, friends or someone who is sick or for a private
intention.*