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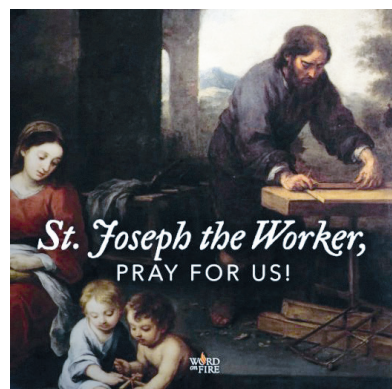
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Mission Statement

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 15 August 2021

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The Catenian Association

The Catenian Association is an international organisation of Catholic Men committed to faith, family and friendship. There are over 300 groups world-wide, known as Circles. Through our monthly meetings and varied programme of social and family events, lifelong friendships are built, and a support structure develops which can be called upon should the need arise. You will be most welcome to join us for one of our dinners to see who we are and what we do. For further information, please contact your local Membership Team member, Eamonn Brennan on 01277 211931



200 CLUB

July 200 Club prize draw.

The July winners are:
1st £50 A M Ward
2nd £30 C Turnbull
3rd £20 G Rimmer

Congratulations to our winners.

Joining the 200 club is a great way to support parish fundraising, along with the opportunity to win cash prizes in our monthly draw.

Join via the website or pick up a form from the back of the church.

Thank you and God Bless.

Mass Attendance

Saturday 7 August: 23

Sunday 8 August: 56



Fr. Joseph. 12 September.

A date for your diary.

Recently ordained Fr. Joseph (who we all know as Shaun Bailham) will be here to celebrate the 10.30 a.m. Mass on 12 September and after Mass you will have the opportunity to receive his blessing individually.

Items left in the Church

Over the months some items of clothing, Gloves, Umbrella and Toys are left in the church for many months. In future if any items are left more than 2 weeks, they will be taken away to charity shops – or small toys, pencils will be destroyed. This is important at this time of COVID. At present you will find them at the back of the church.

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Upcoming Masses

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

THE WORD OF GOD

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

Saturday 14	Mass at 6.00 p.m. Ricky Turvey RIP A Turvey
Sunday 15	Mass at 10.30 a.m. People of the Parish
Monday 16	Church open all day for Private Prayer from 10.00 a.m.
Tuesday 17	Mass at 9.00 a.m. Church open all day for Private Prayer after morning Mass
Wednesday 18	Church open all day for Private Prayer from 10.00 a.m.
Thursday 19	Church open all day for Private Prayer from 10.00 a.m.
Friday 20	Mass at 9.00 a.m. Church open all day for Private Prayer after morning Mass

The church is open for Private prayer all day. Mass is celebrated privately except on Tuesdays and Fridays when there will be a public mass at 9.00 a.m.

Saturday 21 Church open for private prayer from 10.00 a.m. Confession by Appointment or before Mass on request

On Monday, Wednesday and Friday Mass is celebrated privately. There are plenty of dates free for Mass intentions. It is a wonderful way of remembering our deceased members of our family, or those who are sick or private intention. They can be offered during the week or weekends. Envelopes are available at the back of the church for this need.

PLEASE NOTE: Newsletter goes to print one week in advance. This Newsletter will be printed the week prior to 7/8th August.

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR (B)

THE WORD OF GOD

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

Saturday 21	Mass at 6.00 p.m. Len Boyling RIP J. Greenwood
Sunday 22	Mass at 10.30 a.m. People of the Parish

* Remember your loved ones by having a Mass offered for them. This also forms part of your Priests salary. Please remember to have a Mass said for family and friends.

Anniversaries

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

We pray for: Philip Barrett, Annie Kingsbury, Leonard Driscoll, Irene Wilson, Peter Crofton, Victor Tuffin, Mary Hayden, John Rochford, Michael Fitz-Hugh, Sophie Eades, and Herrietta Dudley.

Priests of our Diocese: Canon Peter Prendergast (1959), Canon Vincent Hurley (1994), Fr. Andrew Hurley (2014).

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.

Our prayer for sympathy to the family of EJ Keme Belonwu who recently died. May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

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.



The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Hello and welcome to our parish community on this great feast of The Assumption of The Blessed Virgin Mary. In today's feast of Mary we read in the book of the Apocalypse the ark of the covenant could be seen (which was the box that contains, among other things, the sacred book and it symbolises the presence of God among the people of Israel). Mary is described as the Ark of the new Covenant because her womb contained

the child Jesus - the word made flesh. The twelve stars on her head reminds us of the twelve apostles with whom Mary prayed on the day of Pentecost. The sun and moon are symbols of her purity. Then appeared a huge dragon, with seven heads and ten horns. This gives us a graphic image of the terrific nature of Lucifer known as Satan or the devil. The story of the dragon expresses the destructive nature of Satan, whose function is to steal, kill and destroy according to scripture. Satan is as present today as in the past. The signs of the time clearly indicate that the devil is at work all the time in the subtlest ways. He is working against the spiritual, material and physical wellbeing of every individual, against the good of each of us, against the existence of love in families, against the church, and against peace in our world. We only have to look around our world to see increasing rate of divorces, the scandals that are rocking the church, the terrible diseases that are destroying members of our families, the violence, the wars that surround us, the news of terrorists that cripple us with fear. We need to pray daily against the work of the devil, in families, in the church and in the world. Let us pray each day to Mary especially the rosary. Pope Leo X11 composed this prayer in 1903 which is so important today. The prayer is St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in the day of battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil, may God rebuke him, we humbly pray. And do thou O prince of heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all other evil spirits that prowl throughout the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen

Our Blessed mother helps us in the battle of evil. As Queen of Heaven, she pleads for us. Her various apparitions in Fatima, Lourdes, Guadeloupe and other shrines across the world, she asks us to pray fervently for our families, our church and everyone across the world to keep us safe from the devil, the evil one. Today's feast of the Assumption is a feast of hope - we are reminded that those who live and die in Christ will be united in heaven with Mary and with all the angels and Saints. O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to you.

Finally in our parish we hope to welcome back our altar servers on the first Sunday of September. If anyone would like to learn this privileged ministry, please give your name and contact details to me. May I remind all our parishioners that Fr. Joseph (known to us as Shaun) who was recently ordained to the priesthood, will be here to celebrate the 10.30 a.m. Mass on 12 September and after Mass you will have the opportunity to receive his blessing individually. Also our first communion catechists will be meeting to discuss when we can start the first communion programme.

I wish you all a great Sunday with your families and keep in your prayers all our sick and housebound parishioners as well as our young people. May The Blessed mother be with us in our daily lives.

Fr. Leslie

Christian Life

The Christian life is many things - However, the source and summit of Christian life is the gift of the Eucharist. It is this act of worship that reaches the very height, the very essence, the pinnacle of what Christian life is. This is because Christian life in Jesus Christ.

In the Eucharist we receive and Jesus receives us. The Eucharist is food: food for this life and food for the next. We are a unity of body and soul. Just as food feeds our physical bodies, so the Eucharist feeds our souls. Our faith demands that we approach the Eucharist fully aware that we are approaching Christ himself. The Eucharist is a mystery of presence. It is the Bread of Life.

Building Repairs

Over the next few weeks, work will be starting on our church building. Please be careful.

Great News. Date for your Diary

Fr. Joseph Bailham (Shaun) who was recently ordained to the Priesthood for the Dominican Order will be saying the 10.30 a.m. Mass on 12 September and will be available to receive his blessing individually at the end of Mass. Shaun was an altar server at St. Josephs for many years and whilst training for the priesthood came to see us often. It is a great privilege to receive a blessing from an newly ordained priest.

Finance

On the front of the newsletter you will see a number of QR codes. If you do not give by standing order, or enveloped or online donations, then with your phone, please give through the QR codes. The white bucket at the back of the church is there for those who have neither of the above.

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Plenary Indulgences For The Year of St. Joseph

All this Year until 8 December 2021. You have the opportunity to commit yourself with prayer and good works, to obtain with the help of St. Joseph, head of the heavenly family of Nazareth, comfort and relief from serious human and social tribulations that today affect our world. You can gain a plenary indulgence in the usual conditions i.e. sacramental confession, Holy Communion and a prayer for the Holy Fathers intention.

You can do this if you meditate for 30 minutes on the Our Father or a retreat of at least one day that includes a meditation on St. Joseph. St. Joseph invites us to rediscover the filial relationship with the Father.

St. Joseph is the guardian of the Holy Family – may this inspire enthuse and encourage all families to live with the same ‘intimate communion’ love and prayer, by praying the Holy Rosary in families and engaged couples.

CAFOD

CAFOD offers resources to the whole Catholic community through our website. Do pass them on to anyone interested.

Family Prayer Resources for Summer - We will be offering a prayer focus for each week of the summer holidays with some simple ideas, designed to help parents explore faith with their children, in solidarity with our global family. They will be available from mid-July at <https://cafod.org.uk/Pray/Prayer-resources> Resources for the Season of Creation and Harvest Fast Day (Friday 1st October) will feature some of our partners’ work in the Amazon and will be available from September at <https://cafod.org.uk/Pray/Prayer-resources>. Join us in praying the joyful mysteries of the Holy Rosary as we seek to nourish our commitment to care for the earth.

Laudato Si’ encyclical resources | CAFOD – this link will take you to a range of resources for study, reflection, prayer and action.

Livesimply award | CAFOD – one of our most popular community actions, this award is given to parishes and communities who have taken significant steps in response to the call to live simply, sustainably and in solidarity with others. Several parishes in the diocese have recently registered to become Live Simply parishes.

March For Life -

Saturday 4 September 2021

This year March for Life UK will be back on the streets of the Capital. Join the Pro-life movement in marching for life on Saturday 4 September 2021.

For more details see www.marchforlife.co.uk

You can also watch their online ‘Lifestream2021’ on their website. If you are suffering after an abortion? Find help at www.rachelsvineyard.org.uk

Please support our work by sending a donation. We are in urgent need, please send cheques payable to the Guild of Our Lady of Good Counsel, PO Box 46679, London, NW9 8ZT Telephone 0207 723 1740

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Or see notice on the notice board.

Retrouvaille

Retrouvaille is a Catholic programme for couples who may have difficulties with their marriage. It aims to give couples the tools to enable them to see new hope for their marriages and family life. Confidentiality is assured for everyone. Retrouvaille does not provide counselling but a new way of communicating.

There is no pressure on anyone to attend or complete the course but for most it is a very positive experience. Retrouvaille brings forgiveness and healing into the heart of the Sacrament of Matrimony and brings hope and new life into couples relationships, which flows on to their children. As Pope Benedict XVI said of Retrouvaille:

“Thus, at the moment of the breaking up, you become the concrete possibility for the couple to have a positive point of reference to which they can entrust themselves in their despair. In fact, when their relationship breaks, couples fall in deep solitude both individually and as couples. They lose the horizon of their communion with God, with others and with the Church. At this point, your programme offers the “hook” so that they may not be totally lost and may gradually climb over the cliff. I love to think of you as custodians of a bigger hope for the couples who have lost it.” For more information please Phone or Text 07887 296983 or 07973 380443 (Complete confidentiality assured.);

Email: retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com

Website: www.retrouvaille.org.uk

Leonard Lodge

Become a friend of Leonard Lodge, Barchester Healthcare.

Have you ever thought of volunteering and what joy that can bring to yourself and others? Leonard Lodge care home in Hutton, Brentwood is looking for volunteers from the local community to consider becoming a friend of our home and support residents.

At Leonard Lodge we recognize the special impact volunteers can have on the lives of residents who live within our home. There are many ways to volunteer and become a friend to our residents, we can talk to you and explore the best ways that suit you, your personality, skills and interests. The various ways in which people can volunteer are endless, some volunteers love to be very involved with our residents while others prefer to do tasks that enhance their lives without the face to face involvement, this might be a person who is good at woodwork and they can make a ‘play your cards right’ wooden display board or large garden game or gardening advice on multi-sensory area and plants.

For those who would enjoy more contact with our lovely residents there are so many wonderful ways that residents would appreciate for example, chatting & reminiscing, scrabble, dominoes, gardening with them, supporting trips out, helping our Activities Coordinators with events. To find out more please contact Lynn or Julie on 01277 263939. Email - activities.leonardlodge@barchester.com

Baptism

Sacrament of Baptism – Saturdays at 11.00am. Maximum number 15, Please wear a mask in Church - Application Forms available for our Parish Administrator (hutton@dioceseofbrentwood.org).



Pope on Twitter



God does not come in extraordinary events, but works amid the apparent monotony of our daily life, in the frequently dull rhythm of our activities, in the little things that, working with tenacity and humility, we achieve in our efforts to do his will.

In #TheGospelOfTheDay (Jn 6:41-51), Jesus reveals Himself as the Bread of life. For He alone nourishes the soul, He alone makes us feel loved even if everyone else disappoints us, He alone gives us the strength to love and forgive in difficulties, He alone gives eternal life.

The Feast of the #TransfigurationOfTheLord reminds us that we are called to experience being in touch with Christ so that, enlightened by his light, we might bear it and make it shine everywhere like tiny lamps of the Gospel that bear a little bit of love and hope.

Today, a year after the terrible port explosion in the capital Beirut, I appeal to the international community to offer #Lebanon concrete assistance in undertaking a journey of “resurrection”, so that Lebanon may once more be a message of peace and fraternity.

Finance News

For the week ending 8 August you gave £169.65 of which £39.00 was through Gift Aid.

There was also an anonymous donation of £500.00

And an advertising donation of £125.00 *God Bless and thank you all so very much.*

Please don't forget that if you normally donate cash weekly, then please use the QR codes which can be found on the front page of the newsletter. This helps to keep the money coming in while reducing the amount of cash that we have to count, double check and then bank.

Thank you and God Bless.

Advertising your business

If you would like to increase your profile and advertise your business on our back pages, please contact ian.restall@design-portfolio.co.uk for details.

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.

Light

Laughter

I went for an interview. They asked me “Can you perform under pressure?” I replied “I don’t know about that, but I can have a good crack at Bohemian Rhapsody!”

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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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