

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 11 April 2021

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GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD, FOR HE IS GOOD, HIS LOVE IS EVERLASTING



Welcome to all our parishioners. I hope you all had a great Easter despite the restrictions. Thank you for the Easter offerings. It is very much appreciated.

We hope to get back to some sort of normality by 21 June. I apologise to all our altar servers who have not been allowed to enhance our liturgy during this time. We are looking for an organist or someone who can play the piano to support our singing at 10.30 a.m. Mass when we are allowed. During pascal time we pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Shaun Bailam, one of our former altar servers, will be ordained to the Priesthood on July 4 at St Dominics in London NW5 4 LB. His religious name is Brother Joseph. Over the past six years, he very kindly came to visit us and is well known to many parishioners. Please keep him and his family in your prayers.

In today's gospel Jesus appears to the disciples and greets them - "Peace be with you". Here Jesus means "God be with you" because to have God with you is to have peace. Jesus then shows them the wounds in his hands and his side. Seeing is very important in the gospels. To see is not only with your eyes but also to see with your heart. The disciples rejoice to see the Lord. Jesus said "Peace be with you. As the Father sent me, so I send you".

We are supposed to bring Jesus' peace to all who are in need of love, in need of caring, in need of feeding, and those who are in need of so many things. We need to be less centered on ourselves and think of other people who need the peace of Christ. We are a community of Saints, the community of hope. We aspire to bring about the life of God in our homes, with each other, and to reach out to all others we come in contact with.

Jesus appears again when Thomas is present and shows Thomas his wounds. Thomas replies "My Lord and My God". When the Body and Blood of Christ is held up at Mass after the consecration, let us name that same act of faith as Thomas did - "My Lord and My God".

May God give you all His Peace.

UPCOMING MASSES

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (B)

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

Saturday 10 Mass at 6.00 p.m.
People of the Parish
Sunday 11 Mass at 10.30 a.m.

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

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

Saturday 10 Confession by Appointment

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER (B)

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

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.

Confessions

On Request (During the COVID 19 Virus)

Stewards

Now that we have returned to having public Masses, we will undoubtedly need more volunteers to steward the people attending Mass. Please do give it a thought. It's not a big task - you would be needed to take contact details, show people to their seat, and assist in bringing people up for Holy Communion a bench at a time so that there is no overcrowding in the aisle. *Please please help if you can.*

Weekday Masses

During the week our Church will be open for private prayer from 10.00 a.m. until 12.00 midday. If you are able, this will be an opportunity to visit Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament and find solace and peace from all that we have and going through these past few months. In particular, we pray for many grieving families who have lost a loved one from COVID-19.

During the week Holy Mass is said privately. If you wish Mass to be offered for a loved one/intention, please put them through the presbytery letter box. On Sunday Mass is celebrated for all our parishioners living and dead.

Easter Egg



Congratulations to Stephen Sully who won the lovely Giant Easter Egg. Thank you for all who participated, it raised a magnificent total of £525.00.

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.

Anniversaries

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

We pray for:

Mary Anderson, Kazimierz, Jean Manning & Lea Manning, Ethel Dragon, Mary (Maureen) Smith, Christine Mary Keating, Kathleen Banda, John Field, and Stephen Jones

Priests of our Diocese: Fr. Andrew Lawson (2003), Fr. Patrick Donohoe (1985), Fr. Owen Fitzgerald (1937), Fr. John O'Mahoney (1979), Fr. William Donelan (1937), and Fr. George Duckett (2000)

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:

Daniella DiLisio, Simone Austin, 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.

Streaming of Mass

If you are watching Mass streamed from a Catholic Church, please observe the following:

Do not watch it in bed eating your breakfast (unless you have to be in bed). Do not watch the mass drinking tea/coffee. The Mass is sacred and through the media this great mystery is happening in your home. We should behave as if we are in church.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (confession)

By appointment or before Mass on request.

MISSIO

The Spring 2021 edition of "Mission Today" is available for Red Box holders to collect from the table in the porch.

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*.

Bible Alive

Please purchase a copy of Bible Alive so that we can reflect on the scriptures. I also want to encourage families to pray the rosary each day. Mary our Mother is our powerful intercessor. Please encourage all your families who are Catholic to attend mass on Saturday or Sunday.

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.

Rosary Leaflets

Brentwood Catenians have made available some Rosary leaflets that can be found at the back of the church. These leaflets are very informative and may help you with how to say the Rosary. They are free too! Just make sure you pick up one from the back of the Church. Happy reading!



Parish Register

Please whether you are a parishioner of many years or new to our parish (welcome), please visit our website and fill in your name, address and contact details. Also visit our website to request Baptism and First Communion forms. The Parish will find it much easier to communicate with you, and you with it, if you are registered. And of course, in these Covid times, we have to take bookings for Mass to ensure that we adhere to the restrictions. This process will be much simpler for all if you have already registered.

First Holy Communion Parents

Hello, If your child is in year 3 and you wish him / her to prepare for their first holy communion at St Joseph's. You need to fill in the preparation form from our website. It must be filled in and sent back via email to the parish administrator (hutton@diocesesofbrentwood.org) I am sorry at this time we can't name a date for the program to begin, because of Covid-19 and we are in lockdown. We do need to know the number of children so that catechists can make preparation. Thank you to all who have sent back their preparation forms. Please note you must be a regular mass attender.

Thank you all and we will keep you informed.

Catholic Safeguarding Project

Please see the newly published Safeguarding Project Implementation Newsletter which I received this morning. Full updates of work can be found on the Project Website: www.catholicssafeguardingproject.org

Thank You

Thank you for your Easter Offerings and Cards for Easter. It is very much appreciated. Thank you to the stewards, who made the running of the Easter services much smoother. Also Thank you to Jan and Mary for the beautiful Easter Flowers.



Pope on Twitter



The first way to pray for someone is to speak to God about him or her. If we do this frequently, each day, our hearts are not closed, but open to our brothers and sisters. To pray for others is the first way to love them and it moves us toward concretely drawing near

Everyone needs assistance, especially the most vulnerable. Only together can we build a more just and health world. All of us are called to combat the pandemic and vaccines are an essential tool in this fight

In these dark months of the #pandemic, let us listen to the Risen Lord as he invites us to begin anew and never lose hope

Let us never tire of seeking the risen Christ who gives life in abundance to those who meet him. To find Christ means to discover peace in our hearts.

Finance News

Holy Places Second Collection on Good Friday raised £98.25.

There was a last minute rush for Easter Egg Raffle Tickets which boosted the total raised in the week to £190.00 and a Grand Total of £525.00 which is currently nestling in Parish Funds!

Thank you and God Bless.

Standing Orders

These represent the most efficient method for you to support our Parish. Please complete a Standing Order form which can be found at the back of the church, and send it to your bank. If you are a tax payer, please do think about Gift Aiding your donation, which benefits the church by an extra 25% of your giving, at no cost whatsoever to yourselves.

HSBC

Account name: St. Joseph the Worker Catholic Church, Hutton.

Sort Code: 40 13 22.

Account No.: 61018884

Vocation Prayer Cards

The calling of the apostles.

Please pick up a vocation prayer card from the church as you leave.

LORD JESUS CHRIST

You have chosen the apostles and their successors, the Bishops and Priests of the Catholic Church, to preach the true faith throughout the whole world. We beseech you to choose from among us in our parishes, priests and religions who will gladly spend their entire lives to make you better known and loved.

Sacred Heart of Jesus have Mercy on us.

Immaculate Heart of Mary Pray for us.

St. Joseph Pray for us.

St. John Vianney Pray for us.

Light

Laughter

As I watch this new generation try to rewrite our history, one thing I'm sure of.... it will be misspelled and have no punctuation.

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