

ST JOSEPH THE WORKER, HUTTON

WITH ST JOHN AND ST ERCONWALD, INGATESTONE



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3RD / 4TH OCTOBER 2026 ✦ TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR A

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 – Mon, Tue, Wed, & Fri 9.15am – 3pm, Sunday 10am – 1pm. St John's – Tuesday & Friday 10.30am – 12.30pm; Sunday 8.30am – 11am.

NO MASS ON THURSDAYS

ADORATION AND CONFESSIONS: Saturday 4.30pm - 5.15pm 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 3rd	5.30 p.m.	Fr. Brian O'Shea	<i>Int.</i>
Sunday 4th	9.00 a.m.	Michael Kelleher	<i>R.I.P.</i>
	10.30 a.m.	Madueke Cyprian Okoro	<i>R.I.P.</i>
Monday 5th	9.15 a.m.	Domingo S. R. Albuquerque	<i>Int.</i>
Tuesday 6th	9.15 a.m.	Valentina P. S. Albuquerque	<i>Int.</i>
Wednesday 7th	9.15 a.m.	Mgr Phelim Rowland	<i>Int.</i>
Friday 9th	9.15 a.m.	Nancy and Hugh Rowland	<i>R.I.P.</i>
Saturday 10th	5.30 p.m.	Pro Populo	<i>Int.</i>
Sunday 11th	9.00 a.m.	Terry Virgo	<i>R.I.P.</i>
	10.30 a.m.	Mary Anne Donovan	<i>R.I.P.</i>

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Thank you for your generous donations

Date 26/27 September 2026

Hutton 27th September - £230.00

Ingatestone 27th Sep. - £154.40

ROTAS

	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
Saturday 3rd – 5.30 p.m.	David Donovan	Ewa Kania
Saturday 10th – 5.30 p.m.	Nina Hackett	Kevin Bray
Sunday 4th – 10.30 a.m.	Paul Downey	Willa Jackson
Sunday 11th – 10.30 a.m.	Cianna/Jophiel Dareal	Ngozi Ekpechue

READINGS AT MASS

First reading: Isaiah 5:1-7

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 80(79):9, 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20. **R** Isaiah 5:7a

Response: *The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel.*

Second reading: Philippians 4:6-9

Gospel Acclamation: Cf. John 15:16

Alleluia, Alleluia!

I chose you out of the world, says the Lord, that you should go and bear fruit, and that your fruit should abide.

Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 21:33-43

MASS ATTENDANCE

Saturday 27th Sep. - 5.30 p.m. - 91

Sunday 27th Sep. - 9.00 a.m. - 49

Sunday 27th Sep. - 10.30 a.m. - 83

REFLECTION

This Sunday, 4th October, would ordinarily be the feast of St Francis of Assisi. It also marks two years since my induction as Parish Priest of St Joseph's, and nearly a year and a half since I was also entrusted with the care of St John and St Erconwald's in Ingatestone.

Anniversaries naturally make us look back, but for a Christian they should first make us look upwards. The priesthood belongs ultimately to Christ. He is the true High Priest, and the work of the Church is his work. A priest is simply called to share in Christ's mission: to preach his Gospel, celebrate his sacraments, gather his people and, with them, build up his Kingdom.

There is much for which we can give thanks. In this short time, we have seen our communities grow in confidence and life. There have been pilgrimages, celebrations, meals, talks, barbecues and other social events which have brought people together and helped friendships to grow. These things might seem quite ordinary, but the building up of a Christian community is itself part of the building up of the Kingdom of God.

At Ingatestone especially, it has been wonderful to see new life during this past year: our first Christmas Eve Mass together with the church packed, the return of baptisms and weddings to St John's, and a growing sense of a parish community gathering around its church once again. At St Joseph's too, our fiftieth anniversary of the consecration the church has given us an opportunity both to honour what previous generations built and to look forward with hope as we aim to place Christ at the centre of our worship in every sense.

None of these things is an achievement to be claimed by any one person. They are blessings and graces given by Christ, working through many different people who have generously offered their time, talents, prayer and encouragement.

St Francis famously heard Christ say to him, 'Rebuild my Church.' At first he thought this meant repairing a ruined building. He gradually discovered that Christ was asking for something much greater: the renewal of his people. That task is never finished. We still have much to do in both our parishes. But little milestones give us an opportunity to recognise with gratitude what God has already begun among us, and to ask for the grace to continue it.

So, this weekend I simply want to say thank you: to God for his goodness to us, and to all of you for the many ways in which you are helping to build up his Church and his Kingdom in this place.

Wishing you and your loved ones a blessed week

Fr Gary

Tabernacle Project

Thank you to those who have intimated to me they would like to support the project to move the Blessed Sacrament in St Joseph's to its rightful position in the centre of the sanctuary. Please let me know if this is something you might feel able to support and once we have a clear idea of costs, and the certainty that we are able to meet those costs, I will get in touch with you directly. Rest assured, I will also keep the rest of our parish updated on progress!

BCCS Raffle Tickets

The Brentwood Catholic Children's Society (BCCS) will be selling their annual draw tickets after all Masses on **Saturday 3rd** and **Sunday 4th**. Funds raised will support their vital work in supporting the emotional health and wellbeing of children and young people in schools and with families across the Diocese. Thank you for your kind support.

Annual Mass Count

The last two Sundays of September and the first two Sundays of October are the designated days when our Mass attendance figures are submitted to the diocese. This includes attendance at the Vigil Mass. These, among other factors such as finances, are taken into account for future strategic planning. This involves priorities for the deployment and appointment of priests. Ours

are vibrant little parishes and it would be good to be able to show that. I understand things can be difficult, and that sometimes people are away for the weekend, but please do try to make an extra effort these four Sundays so that the figures are an accurate reflection of the size and commitment of our parish families.

School Governors

Foundation Governors play a crucial role in the success of Catholic education. They safeguard the essential Catholic nature of our schools, ensuring they are an arm of the Church's mission to nourish the faith of our young people. If you are interested in playing a part in this, please see the leaflets at the back of the church, or email sandramoss@brcdt.org.

Mass Intentions for 2027

The Mass diary for 2027 has now arrived. If there is a particular date that you have in mind for when you like to have Mass said for a loved one, please consider making the request early to avoid disappointment. Occasionally, intentions have to be moved, but on the whole we try to ensure that booked Masses are honoured.

Standing Orders

For both our parishes, a significant part of the income comes from standing orders. Firstly, a huge thank you for your continued support however you are able to give. Second, it doesn't seem quite right that we only publish the amount that comes in on the plate. From this weekend, a rough estimate of the weekly standing orders will also feature to acknowledge the support which we are so lucky to have for St Joseph's and St John's.

Social Events

Spread across two parishes, we are blessed with a wide variety of social events offering different but complementary things for the different demographics that make up our linked community. If an event is being organised at Hutton it isn't always possible to provide direct ticket sales at Ingatestone, or the other way round, but everybody is very welcome at all the social events we organise, subject to capacity! If there is an event going on at the other church which you might be interested in attending, please just email the parish office and we will ensure that a ticket is reserved for you. Payments can always be made online or at the event itself. Our social gatherings are not an added extra – they are a keyway in which we build up our community and all parishioners are welcome.

THE CALL TO BE HUMAN: *an introduction to Catholic morality.*

Four talks to be given by Fr Martin Boland, parish priest of Our Lady of Lourdes, Wanstead.

For more information go to www.ourladyoflourdeswanstead.com. All welcome.

Alpha 2026

Please remember the participants and leaders of Alpha in your daily prayers: '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 to those around me. Amen.'

PARISH NOTICES

HUTTON:

Social Events at St Joseph's

Parish Quiz Night

Saturday 17 October 6.30 for 7.00pm in the Hall. Cormac, our excellent quizmaster is returning!!

Tables of 8 or come as an individual and join a team. Parishioners from Ingatestone and St Joseph's Primary School parents are welcome.

£10 adults, £5 teenagers, primary school age children free. Bring your own drinks and snacks.

Tickets available after Mass at St Joseph's or email hutton@brcdt.org.

200 Club AGM – 10th October after 5.30pm Mass. All welcome to attend. Refreshment will be served.

Christmas Party – 5th December

INGATESTONE:

Thank you

Thank you again for everyone who put such an effort into our parish BBQ a few months ago. The £700 which was raised (an amazing achievement, and the fruit of a lot of hard work from our community) has been banked and will go towards the mission of our little church here in the village.

Ingatestone New Sign

We have placed an order for a new sign to provide up to date information about our Mass times. This will make it easier for passers-by to see when Masses are celebrated and to know when to come should they wish to join us in our celebration. This should hopefully arrive soon!

Cards and Gifts: The Repository is open before and after mass every Saturday evening and Sunday morning. We have a wide range of cards including mass cards, baptism, FHC and confirmation cards available, plus some lovely handmade cross-stitch cards.

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.

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 at St. John's burns for **Keith Wilden (Ingatestone)**

Tea and Coffee



Tea and coffee are available after both the 9am at Ingatestone and the 10.30am Mass at Hutton. Refreshments are also served after the Saturday evening Mass on the first Saturday of the month.

There will be refreshments after the 10.30 Mass, and everyone is welcome. 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.

200 Club - Hutton: There are cash prizes to be won 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.

200 Club August Winners

1 st Prize	2 nd Prize	3 rd Prize
Mandy Bottono	Pat Chapman	Pat Creavin

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.



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.

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

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

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Maranatha at Upminster 15 October 2026

Maranatha! Come Lord Jesus! All are warmly invited to an evening of prayer, praise and worship, including Mass and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, where we come together to encounter the Holy Spirit and share fellowship in a Catholic context. At St Joseph's Catholic Church, Upminster RM14 2SY on **Thursday 15th October 2026** 7:00pm to 9:00pm, with refreshments afterwards. Not been to Maranatha before - why not come and see?

St Joseph the Worker RC Primary School, Hutton – Reception 2027 Parent Tours:

Thursday 5th November – 9.15am. Tuesday 10th November – 9.15am
Wednesday 18th November – 2.00pm. Monday 23rd November – 2.00pm.
To book a place, please contact the school office on 01 277227282.