

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER

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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".

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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 3 November 2019

UPCOMING MASSES

THIRTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

Saturday 9	6.00 p.m. David Bradley RIP <i>L Farimond</i> Confessions before Mass 5.00 p.m. - 5.50 p.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Sunday 10	8.30 a.m. For all parishioners 10.30 a.m. Sylvia Kinghorn RIP <i>Jackson family</i>

FEAST OF ST. MARTIN OF TOURS

Monday 11	9.15 a.m. November Dead List
Tuesday 12	NO MORNING MASS
Wednesday 13	NO MORNING MASS
Thursday 14	9.15 a.m. November Dead List

FEAST OF ST. ALBERT THE GREAT

Friday 15	9.15 a.m. David Balmer RIP 3.00 p.m. (until 4.00 p.m.) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Saturday 16	NO MORNING MASS 9.45 a.m. to 10.15 a.m. Confessions 5.00 p.m. (until 5.50 p.m.) Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

THIRTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

Saturday 16	6.00 p.m. Dorothy Kane RIP <i>J and M Anderson</i>
Sunday 17	8.30 a.m. David Balmer RIP 10.30 a.m. For all parishioners

PLEASE NOTE.

Confessions before Mass every Saturday
5.00 p.m. - 5.50 p.m.
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every Saturday



Brentwood Catenians

Our mission statement is - strengthening family life through friendship and faith. If there are any gentleman interested in the Catenian Association please contact Peter Brisbourne our membership officer on 01277 219746.



Annual Christmas Hamper Raffle

This is our big fund-raising event of the year, but we need you to make it a success. All you have to do is put £5.00 in an envelope (the Welcomers will be happy to give you an envelope), put your name and phone number on the outside, and the winner will be drawn in the week before Christmas.

Please do all you can to help, and to spread the word to friends and family. We'd really like to make this a bumper fund-raiser if we can. *God Bless and please take and complete as many envelopes as you can. There is a box at the back of the church for the completed envelopes.*

Christmas Hamper

The Classic Christmas Hamper contains all the luxury essentials needed for a tremendously grand festive season! Each indulgent treat has been carefully hand-picked to ensure unrivalled quality and taste. From the premium Lanson Champagne to the ever exceptional Glenfiddich mince pies, this hamper captures all the extravagance of Christmas and gives the recipient something they will never forget. To accompany this vast food and drink offering is a stunning hand-woven basket with dual leather and hand-woven wicker handle, perfect to store the winter blankets for the family.



Includes:

- Lanson Black Label Brut Champagne (France), 75cl
- Vina Vasta Ciera Verdejo White Wine (Spain), 75cl
- Vina Vasta Temp Merlot Syrah Red Wine (Spain), 75cl
- Abbey Biscuits Butter Shortbread Biscuits, 150g
- Ardens Cranberry & Orange Panettone, 100g
- Buitemans Gouda Cheese Crumbles, 75g
- Copperpot Milk Chocolate Covered Honeycomb, 125g
- Delicioso Picos Artesanos Traditional Breadsticks, 200g
- Elizabeth Shaw Milk Chocolate Salted Caramel Crisp, 175g
- Fudge Kings Chocolate Truffle English Fudge, 150g
- Glenfiddich 6 Luxury Mince Pies, 372g
- Guinness Truffle Chocolate, 90g
- Jacquout Classic Cocoa Dusted Truffles, 200g
- Stas Chocolate Christmas Tree, 100g
- Stute Fine Cut Orange Marmalade, 340g
- Truffettes de France French Almond Truffles, 100g
- Yorkshire Crisps Cheddar & Caramelised Onion



Eucharistic Ministers for This Week's Masses (9/10 November 2019)

- 6.00 p.m. Gaye O'Regan
Ian Restall
Stella Walker
A N Other
- 8.30 a.m. Lyn Birnie
Jan Jarvis
John Spinks
A N Other
- 10.30 a.m. Dominic De Albuquerque
Tyrone Sequeira
Sarah Barber
A N Other

Readers For This Week's Masses (2/3 November 2019)

- 6.00 p.m. Marian Anderson
8.30 a.m. Kevin Jackson
10.30 a.m. Paul Downey

Eucharistic Ministers for Next Week's Masses (16/17 November 2019)

- 6.00 p.m. Ian Restall
Carol Turnbull
Ewa Kania
A N Other
- 8.30 a.m. Mary Allum
Lyn Birnie
John Spinks
A N Other
- 10.30 a.m. Sharon Ruffles
Chris Brooks
Mary Brooks
A N Other

Readers For Next Week's Masses (16/17 November 2019)

- 6.00 p.m. Rose Mulvey
8.30 a.m. Gerry Sarah
10.30 a.m. Peter Sanders

Mass Intentions

Over the years the number of people asking for a Mass for a deceased family member, friend or intention has decreased. Each one of us will be in need of prayers when we leave this world. Our Mass, the sacrifice of our Redeemer on Calvary, is the greatest and most powerful prayer to help us on our journey into God's presence. In the book of Maccabees "It is a Holy and wholesome thought to pray for our dead that they may be loosed from their sins". Please do give this some serious thought.

ALSO DON'T FORGET TO PRAY FOR YOUR PRIESTS WHO HAVE GONE HOME TO ETERNAL LIFE. ALSO YOUR RELATIONS, FRIENDS AND PARISHIONERS.

Sickness

We pray for our sick in our parish:

Daniella DiLisio, Simone Austin, Jacqueline Birnie, Nora McPherson, Mano Subryan, Beryl de Prazer, Diana Pearce, Greg Thomas, Liz Kent, Alan Bailey, Brian Donoghue and Patricia Green.

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.

Anniversaries

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

We pray for:

Norah Manning, Mary Parker, Bernard Woods, Clementine Schembri, Richard Bohannon, Edith Fairbrother and George Poskitt.

Priests of our Diocese

Fr. Terence Howes (1994), Fr. James Allis (1996) and Canon Denis Petry (1990)

May these and all the faithful departed Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory and Grace.

PLEASE NOTE. NOVEMBER DEAD ENVELOPES ARE AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH. JUST PLACE THE NAMES OF THE DECEASED YOU WISH TO REMEMBER, PLUS A DONATION, IN THE ENVELOPE AND THEY WILL BE PRAYED FOR DURING NOVEMBER.



Welcome to our parish to all our parishioners and visitors.

It is important to know that from Monday through to Friday there will not be a resident priest at our parish in Ingatestone. Priests from the neighbouring parishes may be asked to help in certain situations.

As you saw from last week's newsletter our Christmas Hamper raffle envelopes are available. This is a major fundraising for our parish. Last year we reached £1,000.00 so it would be great if we could match this again (or even surpass it!). We do

have so much maintenance work to do to maintain our property and it all has to be funded from our weekly collection. So we do need your generous help.

Thank you to all who purchased Advent wreaths. They were made by Anna. When we defray her costs the rest of the money will go into our parish funds. We will let you know in due course the amount.

Fr. Leslie has always appreciated the bottles of wine which many people give him at Christmas. Now, for the past two years, Fr. Leslie does not drink because of medication and driving.

One of the themes of today's readings is "I shall be filled with joy when I awake with the sight of your glory". This is a common desire of each one of us. This means to keep before us always the commandments and promises of God to us especially the promise of Eternal Life. This Eternal Life is the life which the dawn of resurrection from the dead will bestow on every soul that keeps sight of God's glory. Without this Eternal Life, the certainty of resurrection from the dead, our faith, and the practice of it, would be meaningless and empty. The death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ is a clear affirmation of this truth.

The Season of Advent is almost upon us. This is the time to prepare and reflect on our preparation for the birth of Jesus Christ through the celebration of the Sacrament of Confession, experiencing the gift of God's mercy and forgiveness.

May God's blessing be upon you all and have lovely day with your families and a wonderful week.

November, The Month Of Holy Souls

As we come to the end of the month of the Holy Rosary in October, we now come to the month of November, the month of the Holy Souls. November began last Friday with the upbeat celebration of All Saints. On Saturday 2 November we commemorated the Holy Souls. November has a certain melancholy as we remember our dead. During this month, if we can, we should make a pilgrimage to the place of burial and pray for all who have been buried there. The Church encourages us to gain a Plenary Indulgence for the Holy Souls in Purgatory. To obtain the Plenary Indulgence available in November, we must receive Holy Communion and Sacrament of Confession (and have no attachment to sin). Holy Communion should be received each day to gain the Indulgence for a week. We only need to go to Confession once during this period.

A good prayer to say is "Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them". We must also say one Our Father and one Hail Mary for the intention of our Holy Father. The Bible tells us "it is a wholly and wholesome thought to pray for the dead, that they may be loosed from their sins".

Prayer for the souls in Purgatory is an expression of our Christian charity, and helps us to remember our own mortality.

November Dead envelopes are at the back of the church. Please place a note with the names of those you wish to pray for in the envelope, together with your donation.

Thank you and God bless

Vacancy

St. Peter's Catholic Primary School, Billericay are seeking to appoint a Receptionist/ Administration Assistant. More details can be found on the Essex School Jobs website www.essexschoolsjobs.co.uk/Vacancies/Support Closing date for applications is 6 November 2019.

CAFOD Candlelight Fund

Please do not forget the CAFOD Candlelight Fund for deceased members and friends. Details and leaflets are on the table at the back of the church.

Walk With Me

Walk with me booklets are £1.00 each. Please put the money in the Red Box. These booklets contain a Journey of Prayer for Advent. Through the Liturgy of Advent, the church makes present expectancy of the coming of Jesus. This sense of expectancy and joy is a very real blessing of the season, for we rejoice in Jesus' first coming and renew our desire for his second coming. May it be a happy occasion as Pope Francis tells us.

Providence Row – Homeless

Tom O'Connor, who was with us earlier in the year, will be here on Sunday 1 December to speak about the work that is done at Providence Row, and what they do for so many people who need help. There will be a retiring collection.

Items For Newsletter

Please make sure you let Fr. Leslie know should you wish to place items of news in the newsletter. They can be sent direct to Ian Restall (ian.restall@design-portfolio.co.uk) should you wish, but do please let Fr. Leslie know first. This is Diocesan Policy for which there are good reasons.

Eucharistic Ministers

Thank you for taking Holy Communion to our sick parishioners. However, please return the Holy Communion containers (known as the PYX) to the church after use, unless they are your own. We will need them for other people. *Thank you and God bless.*

IN TODAY'S GOSPEL

In Jesus' day there were two dominant groups within Jewish society - the Pharisees and the Sadducees. Jesus crossed swords with both of them. Today it is the Sadducees who confront the Lord. The Sadducees were an elite aristocratic group - a kind of club of socially aspirational and religiously conservative men. They rejected most of the Old Testament, accepting only the Pentateuch (the first five books) as divinely inspired. Unlike the Pharisees, they did not believe in the afterlife, the spirit world or the resurrection of the body.

Intent on backing Jesus into a corner, the Sadducees present a bizarre scenario concerning a woman who appears to be something of a Black Widow, in that she has made her way through seven brothers, each of whom died after marrying her. In line with the law and Jewish culture at this time a woman whose husband died was offered future security by marrying any surviving male siblings. The question is, of course, whose wife will she be after death?

Typically, the Lord refuses to answer the question head on. He rather points to the fact that marriage is a human institution which comes to an end with death, "till death do us part". That is not to say that those who are married are not reunited after death - surely they are - but they are reunited in a different way and in a different relationship before God. Beyond the confines of this world there is no need for marriage because both man and wife are joined together in their love and worship of God - in the same way as the angels are.

God is the God of the living, and when we die in Christ we receive the gift of eternal life and our bodies will rise again. This is the central event and a basic truth of our faith. We look to the resurrection as our greatest hope, assuring us of our eternal destiny: Christ in us the hope of glory.

"What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable. It is sown in dishonour, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. It is sown a physical body it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a physical body, there is also a spiritual body".



Finance News

For the week ending 2/3 November you gave £251.98 of which £17.00 was Gift Aided.

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.

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Sort Code: 40 13 22. Account No.: 61018884



The Pope on Twitter



We face this choice many times in our lives: do I accept the Lord's invitation or close myself off in my interests, in my smallness? Let us ask the Lord for the grace always to accept the invitation to His feast, which is free.

Holiness is the fruit of God's grace and of our free response to it. Holiness is a gift and a call.

The #GospelOfTheDay shows us that the merciful gaze of the Lord reaches us before we even realize that we need it to be saved.

Today we remember those who have walked before us, in the hope of meeting them, of reaching the place where we'll find the love that created us and awaits us: the love of the Father.

First Holy Communion Parents

We meet on Wednesday 6 November 8.00 p.m. to 9.00 p.m. This is the last parents meeting before First Sacrament of Confession.

MISSIO Red Boxes

The MISSIO Red Boxes that were left at the back of the church during October have now been emptied and counted. Please collect your empty box from the back of the church. Thank you for your support. Also, the "Mission Today" Calendar 2020 is available for you to collect from the table in the porch. If anyone who does not have a Missio Red Box would like one, please speak to me. Missio is the Pope's personal charity and the Church's official charity for overseas mission in the developing world. *Clare Barton*

Cathedral Advent Service

Sunday 1 December at 4.00 p.m. ADVENT SERVICE with Brentwood Cathedral Choir at Brentwood Cathedral with Andrew Wright directing and Stephen King on Organ.

Spirituality Seminar Series

The Spirituality Seminar Series at the Cathedral Conference Room continues on Saturday 16 November when Bishop Alan Williams, S.M will be speaking on "Preparing for the Advent Journey".

November Dead

We have the NOVEMBER DEAD ENVELOPES available at the back of the church. To remember our dead during November please take one and put in the names of those you wish prayed for, together with your donation.

CAFOD Memorial Mass

CAFOD's Diocesan Memorial Mass in honour of supporters, friends and loved ones who have died will take place this year on Wednesday 13 November at 12.00 p.m. at St. Edward the Confessor RC Church, 5 Park End Road, Romford RM1 4AT. You are warmly welcomed to attend the Mass followed by a short reception hosted by the Golden Club in the parish hall. A Book of Remembrance will be available for anyone who would like their loved ones held in prayer. For more information, please contact Chris Driscoll at brentwood@cafod.org.uk or call 01268 551293 or 07776 493162

Advent Wreaths

We have Advent Wreaths on sale at the back of the church. A great centrepiece to gather round as we pray awaiting to celebrate the Birth of Our Redeemer.

Mothers Prayers at The School

Mothers Prayers meets in St. Joseph the Worker School each Friday of term time at 2.30 p.m. in the Parents Room. We really would like to encourage parishioners to come join us to pray for the children in the School, and to pray for their own children/grandchildren. We follow a set format and also read and reflect on a passage of scripture. If you come to the reception at the School we will be there to welcome you!

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World Day of The Poor

Just a reminder. This will take place on Sunday 12 November. The needy shall not always be forgotten, and the hope of the poor shall not perish forever (Psalm 9:18)

Rosary Groups. Any offers?

What about holding a Rosary Group in our homes? It only takes one family to open up their home for the benefit of many. Just a suggestion. **We are now looking for volunteers to host a Rosary Group. Any offers? Please see Fr. Leslie.**

Holy Land 2020

A Day with Mary Pilgrimage. Sunday 22 March to Tuesday 31 March 2020. 4 nights in Nazareth, 4 nights in Old Jerusalem. £1,300 pp, Full Board. For more details call 020 8642 6418

Children's corner

Welcome to children's corner.

Welcome to our children's corner. Have you noticed the Stations of the Cross in the school playground?

We invite parents and children to say this prayer together. God of mercy and forgiveness, you ask us to listen to your son, Jesus Christ. Open our ears to hear your word and fill our hearts with your love so that we may change our lives and the lives of others. Amen

IN THE GOSPEL TODAY

In the Gospel today, Jesus explains that after we die, we can have a new life in heaven and this new life will last for ever. Jesus says the prophets Moses, Abraham, Isaac and Jacob are alive.

A PRAYER TO SAY

Dear Jesus, I believe in you! Keep the fire of your love burning in my heart. Amen.

Christmas Greetings

Why not send your Christmas greetings to your friends and fellow parishioners by placing them in the newsletter?

Please send your greeting to: ian.restall@design-portfolio.co.uk and the donation (normally £5.00) to the Secretary 17 Highview Crescent, Hutton – or hand to Fr. Leslie as soon as possible. All donations will go to the Brentwood Catholic Children's Society which is our major charity.

Fr. Leslie wishes all the parishioners at St. Joseph a Merry Christmas and a very happy and healthy New Year in 2020.

Christine and Ian Restall and family wish Fr. Leslie and all our friends and parishioners a wonderful Christmas and a happy and healthy New Year.

Jo, Greg, Alex and Charlie Thomas wish Fr. Leslie and all the St. Joseph parishioners a joyful Christmas and a happy and healthy New Year.

The Directors and staff at Design Portfolio wish Fr. Leslie and all the parishioners a wonderful Christmas filled with peace and love, and a happy and healthy New Year.

The Peachey family (Julia, Phil, Johnnie and Lola) wish Fr. Leslie and the whole St. Joseph parish a very special Christmas and a happy and healthy 2020.

Jan Jarvis wishes all parishioners at St. Joseph's a joyful Christmas and a happy and healthy New Year.

Catherine, David, William, James, and Verity would like to wish Fr. Leslie and all the parishioners a very happy and Holy Christmas.



God's Housekeepers

In many ways, volunteers are the fuel that runs your church. Not only do we need volunteers to get stuff done, but volunteering is a way members of the church can fulfil their calling. Please consider volunteering for the many jobs that need doing to help the church run efficiently such as cleaning inside and outside the church, watering plants, perhaps help with flower arranging, washing of the altar linen etc. If you can help at all, please contact Jan Jarvis 200278.

St. Joseph Friendship Group

We meet every 1st and 3rd Friday in the month between 2.00 p.m. and 4.00 p.m. in the parish hall. We are always open to any suggestions of what you would like to see happening at these afternoon sessions. OPEN TO ALL AGES. Why not pop in for a cup of tea and a chat. You will be made very welcome. Any enquires contact Jan Jarvis on 200278

BCCS Ladies Christmas Lunch

This year, our Ladies' Christmas Luncheon takes place on Friday 6 December 2019 at the Rayleigh Golf Club. Ladies will be treated to a delicious two-course Christmas luncheon with tea & coffee in the luxurious surroundings of a private room overlooking the golf course at this exclusive club. Tickets cost £25.00 per person and with lunch being served at 12.30 there will still be plenty of time to collect the children from school if you need to!

Future of Our Diocese/Parish

Each day please pray to Mary, Our Mother, for an increase in Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life. Without a Priest, there would be no Eucharist. Our church is open every day – Come and spend time with Jesus, especially on Fridays between 3.00 p.m. and 4.00 p.m. when we have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and also before 6.00 p.m. Mass from 5.00 p.m. until 5.50 p.m. with confessions. Let us go forward together in prayer and discussion to share the Good News of the Gospel with our fellow parishioners.

Altar Servers –

THIS IS URGENT – VERY URGENT

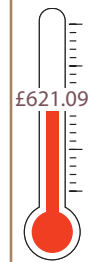
Over the years our parish has been blessed with wonderful, committed Altar Servers. Serving at the Altar is not just a hobby that we do each week. It is part of who we are – following Jesus Christ. Serving at the Altar is a privilege – something we do out of love for him. Let others see what a difference our faith makes to our lives. As Altar Servers let us be a people of faith and strong followers of Jesus, let us respond generously to God's call. We require more Altar Servers at each Mass. Please contact Fr. Leslie.

We need help and we need it now!

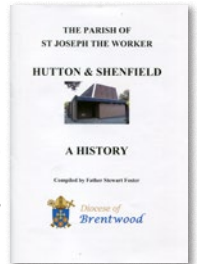
History of Our Parish

Our "History of the Parish" books are available at the back of the church. All we require is a donation.

So far we have raised £621.09p to defray the cost of printing, which was around £1,500.



Maybe you should buy one or two for the family as a Christmas present? Or for your friends?



Come And Join Us – Something New

At the last Pastoral Council meeting we suggested that once a month we should have light refreshments in the Parish Hall after the 6.00 p.m. Mass. Please don't be in a hurry to rush off – come and meet one another so that we can get to know one another and enjoy each other's company.

A strong church community will be needed in the future. The refreshments after 6.00 p.m. Mass on a Saturday will be on the first Saturday of each month.

The next one will be on Saturday 7 December. Don't miss it!