

# ST JOSEPH THE WORKER, HUTTON

## WITH ST JOHN AND ST ERCONWALD, INGATESTONE



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7<sup>TH</sup> AND 8<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2026 ✦ FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME [YEAR A]

**FR GARY**

### 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 Tuesday & 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

<b>Saturday 7<sup>th</sup></b>	5.30 p.m.	Rita O'Connor	
<b>Sunday 8<sup>th</sup></b>	9.00 a.m.	Nora Walsh	<i>R.I.P.</i>
	10.30 a.m.	Ammanoel Rassam	<i>R.I.P.</i>
<b>Monday 9<sup>th</sup></b>	9.15 a.m.	Mary and Patrick Moriarty	<i>R.I.P.</i>
<b>Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup></b>	9.15 a.m.	Geraldine Henegha	<i>R.I.P.</i>
<b>Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup></b>	9.15 a.m.	Seamus Byrne	<i>R.I.P.</i>
<b>Friday 13<sup>th</sup></b>	9.15 a.m.	Eddie Dooley	<i>Intention</i>
<b>Saturday 14<sup>th</sup></b>	5.30 p.m.	Valentina Albuquerque	<i>R.I.P.</i>
<b>Sunday 15<sup>th</sup></b>	9.00 a.m.	Theresa Ashton	<i>Intention</i>
	10.30 a.m.	Medhat Fadheel & Layla Petros	<i>R.I.P.</i>

### OFFERTORY COLLECTION

*Thank you for your generous donations*

**Date 31<sup>st</sup> Jan/ 1<sup>st</sup> February 2026**

<b>Hutton 1<sup>st</sup> February:</b>	£215.00
BCCS Crib Collection:	£220.00
<b>Ingatestone 1<sup>st</sup> Feb:</b>	£161.00
Crib Collection:	£204.50

### ROTAS

	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
<b>Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> – 5.30 p.m.</b>	Nina Hackett	Brian Hackett
<b>Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> – 5.30 p.m.</b>	Natalie Coleman-Dale	Bill O'Regan
<b>Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> – 10.30 a.m.</b>	Uzoamaka Ekpechue	Ngozi Chue
<b>Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> – 10.30 a.m.</b>	Tara Sanni	Anne-Marie Ward

### READINGS AT MASS

**First reading:** Isaiah 58:7-10

**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalm 111(112):4-9

**Response:** *A light rises in the darkness for the upright or Alleluia.*

**Second reading:** 1 Corinthians 2:1-5

**Gospel Acclamation:** John 8:12

**Alleluia, Alleluia!**

*I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will have light of life. Alleluia!*

**Gospel:** Matthew 5:13-16

### MASS ATTENDANCE

<b>Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> January</b>	- 5.30 p.m.	107
<b>Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> February</b>	- 9.00 a.m.	33
<b>Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> February</b>	- 10.30 a.m.	72

In this Sunday's Gospel, the Lord gives his disciples two simple images: salt and light. Both are ordinary. Both are easily overlooked. Yet without them, daily life is poorer and darker.

Salt works quietly. It does not draw attention to itself, yet it changes the taste of everything it touches. Light does not argue or force. It simply shines, and by shining makes it possible to see clearly. Our Lord chooses these images carefully. He does not say that his followers must be impressive, powerful, or celebrated. He says they must be faithful and visible in goodness.

Christian witness is usually not dramatic. It is found in patience, honesty, generosity, reverence, and steady charity. A kind word, a promise kept, a temptation resisted, time given to someone who is lonely, prayer offered when it would be easier to forget. . . these are small lights, but real ones.

The Lord also gives a gentle warning. Light is not meant to be hidden. Faith is personal, but never purely private. The goodness God works in us is meant to be seen, not for our praise, but so that glory is given to the Father.

This week, it is worth asking one simple question each morning: Where can I bring a little light today? Very often, the answer will be close at hand.

May God bless you and your families this week.

*Fr Gary*

### Social Events at St Joseph's

The Social Committee met on Tuesday evening to plan out some of the social events for the year. Please do put these dates in your diary and keep an eye on the newsletter for more details. Our Saturday events take place after the 5.30pm Mass.

16th May - Parish Celebration of 50th Anniversary of Consecration

28th June - Parish BBQ at Hutton Hall

16th September - Cream Tea at Hutton Hall

17th October - Quiz Night

5th December - Christmas Party

**Coming soon** - Wine Tasting!

### Ingatestone Second Collection

In light of the much-needed works to be done on the house, to avoid problems becoming even more serious and costly in the future, there will be a second collection at St John's this weekend and next weekend. Please do give if you are able.

### Ingatestone Gift Aid

we are required by canon law to have a finance committee in place, and this is beginning to come together now. We still need someone willing to put a bit of time each week to manage our gift aid applications. Receiving gift aid on eligible donations can significantly boost parish income. Is there someone who might be willing to step forward? Confidence with computers, especially excel, numerical skills and attention to detail would be required. The volume of eligible donations is comparatively small so this would not be a huge commitment and training will be provided. Thank you for your support.

### Lourdes Fund Appeal

LOURDES FUND APPEAL: This Sunday, which follows the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, is the World Day for the Sick. Each summer a large group of pilgrims from our diocese visits the place where Our Lady appeared to St Bernadette. If you would like to help, make it possible for people to go on pilgrimage who would be unable to spend this time in Lourdes without support from our team of doctors, nurses and helpers, or without financial

assistance, please go to <https://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/donations> (specify 'Lourdes Fund' in the 'Other' box). Thank you for your support.

## DIOCESAN LOURDES PILGRIMAGE

Would you like to join our bishop and parishioners and clergy from around the diocese on our annual pilgrimage to Lourdes this summer? There are two options: either 17th – 24th July ([lourdes@brcdt.org](mailto:lourdes@brcdt.org)) or 19th – 24th July ([info@anamcaratravel.com](mailto:info@anamcaratravel.com)).

## PARISH NOTICES

**First Holy Communion:** FHC parents can find the Mass attendance register at the back of the church. Please sign this after Mass so that we know you have attended with your child. Many thanks.

**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, holy communion and confirmation cards available, plus some lovely handmade cross-stitch cards.

**Missio Red Boxes:** Please would everyone who has a Missio red box leave it at the back of the church so that I can arrange for it to be counted and returned. Please make sure that your red box is clearly labelled with your name and address. The 'Mission Today' Calendar 2026 is available to collect from the table in the church porch. If anyone who does not have a Missio red box would like one, please speak to me. Missio is the Pope's charity for world mission, helping local missionaries to work alongside global communities that are poor or in need. Visit [missio.org.uk](http://missio.org.uk) to find out more or to donate online. Thank you for your support.

**CAFOD:** Join CAFOD to find out about our work in Ukraine and the 2026 Lent Fast Day appeal. Josie O'Reilly will talk about CAFOD's Ukraine Emergency Programme Jane Crone from CAFOD in Brentwood will talk about the Lent Appeal on: Saturday 14 February 2026.

Time: Coffee from 10.45 am, starting at 11 am, finishing around 1pm.

At: The Beckett Centre St Thomas of Canterbury Church 557-559 High Rd, Woodford, Woodford Green IG8 0SG plenty of parking. All Welcome!

**Maranatha!** Come Lord Jesus! You are warmly welcomed to an evening of praise and worship, including mass and adoration.

**Save the dates:** Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2026. Time: 7:00pm to 9:00pm, including refreshments after.

**Venue:** The Blessed Sacrament Church, 116 Melbourne Avenue, CM12DU, Chelmsford. Bring your friends!

Organised by the CDSC (Charismatic Diocesan Service of Communion).

## 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 *Parish Community*.

## 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.

**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.

**200 Club - Hutton:** 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.

**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.

**Marriage support** - Does your relationship need some TLC? Need help

with deeper issues? Contact: +44 7887 296 983.

Visit: [www.retrouville.org.uk](http://www.retrouville.org.uk)

**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.

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



## 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.

**FHC & Confirmation:** Email your inquiry to the parish office at [hutton@brcdt.org](mailto:hutton@brcdt.org).

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

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

### SERIES OF FOUR LENTEN LECTURES 2026

Will take place at Brentwood Cathedral Parish Hall commencing **Wednesday 25th February**.

**Speaker:** Abbot Hugh Allan, O Praem. "I Believe..." Living and Proclaiming the Catholic Faith. **Time: 7.30pm.**

The theme this year is: "What does it truly mean to be Catholic?"

This invitation is to the whole Diocese of Brentwood. All Welcome!

### Brentwood Catholic Children Society (BCCS)

BCCS is delighted to kick off the year with an invitation to Afternoon Tea. Hosted in the opulent surroundings of the Roslin Beach Hotel in Southend-on-Sea on **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2026** (13:30-15:30). Set in the elegant ballroom of this prestigious venue, this fundraising event promises an experience of true luxury. Tickets are **£35 per person** - for more information or to book your place search [//www.bccs.org.uk/get-involved/events/](http://www.bccs.org.uk/get-involved/events/)

Contact Julie ([jabbott@bccs.org.uk](mailto:jabbott@bccs.org.uk) or 07912277413).

We hope you can join us!

### St Mary's Catholic Primary School, Hornchurch

The Governors of St Mary's Catholic Primary School, Hornchurch, are seeking to appoint an inspirational and dedicated Head Teacher. Closing date: Friday 6th March 2026 at 5pm / Interview Date: Friday 20th March 2026. Enquiries can be made by email to [admin@stmcp.sch.uk](mailto:admin@stmcp.sch.uk), or phone 01708 448430.

## PARISH SCHOOLS

<https://www.st-josephworker.essex.sch.uk/>

## EVENTS

**Diocesan Jobs** – For further details, please visit

<https://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/diocese/working-for-us/>

## A Little Joke

How does February stay so short?

**It sneaks past the calendar.**

### 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.*