

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 28 February 2021

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Newsletter for second Sunday in Lent. Gods Word year B

Welcome to all our parishioners and our young people. We are now in the season of Lent. Lent is a journey of return to God. Pope Francis said a prayer amid a lockdown to fight the spread of COVID 19 when so many had died. "You are calling on us to seize this time of trial as a time of choosing. It is not the time of your judgement, but of our judgement a time to choose what matters and what passes away. A time to separate what is necessary from what is not, it is a time to get our lives back on track with regard to you, Lord and to others". Lent is a special time given by the church to all of us to train ourselves to choose the right way. During Lent we should Love more, Involve more, Pray more, Seek God's forgiveness more and Hunger more for the Eucharist.

Lord with the help of your grace, may we put you first and we give thanks for your mercy as you journey to your death and resurrection because of the Father's will to redeem us. Amen.

I wish you all God's blessing on your families.

UPCOMING MASSES

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT (B) WORD OF GOD

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY – REOPEN FOR MASS

Saturday 27	6.00 p.m. People of the Parish
Sunday 28	10.30 a.m. Patrick & Catherine Kelly RIP
Monday 1	Private Mass
Tuesday 2	Private prayer 10.00 -12 midday
Wednesday 3	Private prayer 10.00 -12 midday
Thursday 4	Private prayer 10.00 -12 midday
Friday 5	Public Mass 9.00 a.m.
Saturday 6	Confession by appointment

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT (B) WORD OF GOD THIRD MASS OF SUNDAY

Saturday 6	6.00 p.m. People of the Parish
Sunday 7	10.30 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (confession)

By appointment or before Mass on request.

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.

Face Masks

At the moment, face masks are required to be worn at all times in the Church.

Confessions

On Request (During the COVID 19 Virus)

Giant Easter Egg Raffle



Not just a big Easter egg. A giant Hotel Chocolat Easter Egg. Half 40% milk, half 50% milk, piled with filled chocolates. In fact, over a kilo of chocolate wrapped, boxed and ready to go!

For a bold, enjoyable and celebratory Easter gift, this Ostrich Easter egg with all the milk chocolate accessories is a perfect choice for a family. Or a couple of chocoholics!

If you'd like the chance to win this amazing Easter Egg, all you need to do is put £5 in an envelope, put your name and address and phone on the envelope, and hand it in before or after Mass, or pop the envelope through Fr. Leslie's door.

We know times have been tough for all our parishioners but Covid is very hard on our parish too. If you can help us to raise much needed funds, it will help a lot. And you might win this fabulous Easter Egg. Someone will win it. Will it be you?

Weekday Masses

During the week our Church will be open for private prayer from 10.00 a.m. until 12 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.

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.

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.*

Church Sanitised

Every Friday the church is cleaned and sanitised by an independent company.

Anniversaries

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

We pray for:

Audrey Field, Ray Mona Bolt, Mary Sheehan, and Frederick Rackstraw

Priests of our Diocese:

Fr. John Wall (1952), Mgr. Canon Patrick O'Donnell (1981), Fr. Brian Galvin (1994), Fr. Francis Hastings (2003), Fr. Malachy Kelly (1976)

May these and all the faithful departed Rest in peace and rise in Glory. For all who have died from COVID-19 Eternal Rest give to them O Lord, 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, Greg Thomas, 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.

Face Masks

For all those who are unable to come to Mass, we want you to know that we are with you in prayer. If you are able to come to Mass during Lent and Holy Week, you would be most welcome and we would love to see you. Our church is COVID safe – our church is open for Private prayer on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 10.00 – midday, should you wish to visit Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament, look towards Easter with hope and trust in God for a new beginning and hopefully bringing us all together again. May God bless you all.

CAFOD Lent Fast Day Friday 26 February 2021

CAFOD's Family Fast Day this Lent is Friday 26 February 2021 and is an opportunity to help vulnerable communities around the world to access water and to provide other vital support. You can donate online at cafod.org.uk/give or by text. Text LENT to 70460 to donate £10.

Thank you for your support.

Easter Envelopes

This collection is for your priest and is the main source of his income. Please pick up an envelope and also one if you know of someone who is unable to come to mass. *Thank you.*

Prayer for the sick with COVID

Lord Jesus,
Healer of bodies and souls,
We intercede for those who
Are living with sickness.
You own wounds of suffering
During your Passion and your agony
In the garden bring you close to all
Those who suffer.
Be a source of comfort and hope
To all those who carry the burden
Of sickness in body and mind.
Bless all those whose vocation is to
Care, whether professionally or
through the bonds of family.
May your loving gaze bring
Wholeness to brokenness
And light out of darkness.
Amen.

Gwendoline Clack RIP

The funeral mass for Gwen took place last Thursday. She came to Mass every morning walking in all kinds of weather. May she rest in peace.

Word For The World

The COVID-19 global pandemic has infected close to 100 million people, resulting in over 1.5 million deaths. The impact of this new virus has been catastrophic and overwhelming. The hardship, brought about by the hidden enemy, has wreaked havoc on people and businesses. We are all victims of COVID one way or another. We, of course, pray for those who have lost loved ones, and for those in hospital and those suffering long term effects. As a parish community let us turn to Mary our mother, to pray for all affected one way or another. Reflect on the Gospels, in your bibles at home. The scriptures are God's words and open your hearts to our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ that he may bring hope and healing to our world, country and families.

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.

Stations of the Cross

In the narthex there are Books of the Stations of the cross (£2.00 each) – please buy one and pray the stations of the cross especially on Fridays.

Also booklets on the Rosary (£2.00 each) – please pray the Rosary every day for an end to the pandemic, for all who have died and for grieving families.

Lent – is a journey to God – A time to unite our sorrows pain, anxiety etc to Our Blessed Lord. Remember he was the Son of God, became man and is always with us each day. We need to turn to him in prayer 'God loved the world to much, he became man.'

Mass Intentions

This season of Lent is a good time to ask to have a Mass said for your loved ones who have died or who are sick or private intentions.



Pope on Twitter



In this #LentenSeason, accepting and living the truth revealed in Christ means, first of all, opening our hearts to God's word, which the Church passes on from generation to generation.

During the Season of #Lent, the Holy Spirit drives us too, like Jesus, into the desert (Mk 1:12-15). It is not a physical place, but rather an existential dimension in which we can be silent and listen to the word of God, so that a true conversion might be effected in us.

Lord, Our God, grant that we Christians may live the Gospel, and recognize Christ in each human being, so as to see him crucified in the sufferings of the abandoned and forgotten of our world, and risen in each brother or sister who makes a new start

May the example of so many doctors and healthcare workers who have risked their life to the point of losing it due to the #pandemic move us to feeling truly grateful for how generously, and sometimes heroically, they carry out their profession

Finance News

For the week ending 21 February you gave £284.43 of which £137.00 was Gift Aided. *Thank you and God Bless.*

200 Club

WINNERS FOR JANUARY

1st. R&E Nania
2nd. C Studdart
3rd. I Loughland

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@diocesesof-brentwood.org) by the end of February.

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.

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

Light

Laughter

What do Alexander the Great and Winnie the Pooh have in common?
Same middle name!

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