

# 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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## 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".

## Welcome to our parish news of St. Joseph the Worker 18 October 2020

### UPCOMING MASSES

#### TWENTY NINTH SUNDAY IN

#### ORDINARY TIME (A)

#### FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

Saturday 17 6.00 p.m.  
Marjorie Morris RIP  
*J Howitt*

Sunday 18 10.30 a.m.  
People of the Parish

**Morning Mass from 19 October to 23 October will be said privately**

#### THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

Saturday 17 6.00 p.m.  
People of the Parish

Sunday 18 10.30 a.m.  
Patrick Dooley RIP

**Morning Mass from 26 October to 30 October will be said privately**

### Confessions

Confessions by appointment.

### Face Masks

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

### 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.**



#### 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 Brisbane our membership officer on 01277 219746.

### IN TODAY'S GOSPEL

Jesus is confronted by an unholy alliance, an unlikely coalition of devout legalists and wealthy royalists which had been formed through their shared enmity to him. It's amazing that two such groups could get together on an issue like this - the fact that they sank their many differences to attack him just goes to show how determined their opposition was.

On the question of taxation, the two groups were poles apart. The Pharisees as religious people resented paying taxes to a foreign government. They felt that to do so cast into doubt the supreme Lordship of God over his people Israel. The Herodians, on the other hand, were friends and supporters of Herod Antipas, whom the Romans allowed to rule under them. They had no objection to paying Roman taxes. Hoping that Jesus would offend either the religious nationalists or the Roman authorities, what they wanted from him was some rash statement either in favour of Roman rule or in total rejection of it. What they got was an invitation to work out for themselves the proper interplay of religious and political loyalties.

In the ancient world coins were regarded as the private property of a ruler. Jesus argues that if you use a coin of that ruler, you put yourself under an obligation to him. It's interesting to note that Jesus does not have a coin himself, but has to ask for one to be shown. If the coin bears the image of Caesar, it belongs to him and must be given back to him. In the same way, the human person is in the image of God and our first obligation is to him. So Jesus challenges his opponents to be as observant in paying their debts to God as they are in paying their dues to the emperor.

We have a dual citizenship. We must render to God and render to Caesar. Our duties as Christians range from casting our vote to caring about our environment, from upholding the law to loving our neighbour. These obligations are part of our duty as God's people, as God desires peace and justice in this world. Above all, though, our duty is to give God what belongs to him: ourselves.

*Lord, help me to live in this world as a faithful citizen of your kingdom. By your grace teach me that true dignity is rooted in the inalienable blessing of being created in your image and likeness.*

### Can You Help?

I hope that in your great generosity that you might be able to give a little extra to cover the cost of sanitising our church? Every time we use our church we have to clean all the benches to keep you all safe. It is a priority and it is costly as you will realise.

ALSO we need ushers for both Masses. Please let me know if you can help. We want every everyone to be safe.

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**Anniversaries**

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

**We pray for:**

Antoinette Parascandolo, Bernard Gordon, Mary Connaughton, Sheila Towley, Rose Mary Movie, Doris Waileneuak, 'Otty' Parker, Margaret Hunt, Kathleen O'harte, and Thomas Rickes.

**Priests of our Diocese**

Fr Bernard Clay (1970); and Canon William O'Neill (1951)

**May the souls of the faithful departed Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory.**

**Mass Intentions**

The best and most sacred way to remember the souls of our most loved one is to have a Mass offered for them that they may be released from sin and come into the presence of our heavenly father. Also, we should also pray for our sick and for the intentions of whoever asks for our prayers, Mark the envelope either RIP/SICK/Private Intentions. If you wish to have a mass said for someone who has died RIP/SICK/or an Intention please put this on your envelope with your donation through the PRESBYTERY letter box or give it to FATHER at any of the two Sunday Masses. To have a Mass said for someone is the most important prayer we should offer for them. One day we will need a Mass said for us. Please don't forget previous Priests of our Parish.

**Parish Contribution**

Parishes everywhere have been impacted economically. Catholics are asked to continue to give as generously as possible in these difficult times. You can do this by filling out a standing order form and gift aid form if you pay tax. Or online via the new website, or direct into our parish account 40-13-22 61018884 Payable to St Joseph the Worker Hutton. During the church closure we lost a considerable amount which, for small parishes, it is a lot. If you are watching Mass from home, please remember your weekly offering unless you pay by standing order or through other ways. We have a number of maintenance tasks to be done which is the responsibility of our parish. Thank you

**Mass Intentions**

Please note Mass intention envelopes are at the back of the church. Don't forget to have Mass said for the repose of the soul of family and friends.

**Online Rosary Group**

The St. Joseph The Worker Online Rosary Group is now a fixture at 4.30 p.m. every Sunday afternoon. After the Rosary is said we make time for payers for special dedications and some social discussion to see how everyone is keeping. If you have not had a chance to participate and would like to, please e-mail Tyrone: tyroneseq@yahoo.co.uk

**200 Club Winners**

The winners of the September draw were as follows:

- 1<sup>st</sup> J McCready
- 2<sup>nd</sup> J Greenfield
- 3<sup>rd</sup> C Restall

**Parish Hall**

The Parish Hall remains closed at present. We do need ushers to form a Rota to keep our church open. Please do volunteer.



Hello and welcome to our parishioners and those who have returned today for the first time. I hope that if you are able, we would love to see you so that our community remains strong and that you do not lose touch with us. We have a brand new website with our newsletter on it. We are asking all our parishioners to register their name and address and contact details, even if you have been a parishioner for many years, so that we can build up our database. We would be grateful if you could do this for us.

Saint Sebastian was born in the third century near Milan and serve as a roman soldier. St. Sebastian converted to Christianity after seeing the courage of the Martyrs. An enthusiastic evangelist, he led many to the true faith including a Roman prefect who was healed of the plague. The Roman Emperor Diocletian was very unhappy that one of his soldiers had converted to Christianity, and had St. Sebastian put to death at the hands of the archers. Remarkably he survived and was nursed back to health. He returned to Diocletian court to persuade him to return to God. Enraged by his impudence, the Emperor ordered that he be stoned to death. Today St. Sebastian is Patron Saint of Plagues. We now ask in our prayers for his help and intercession during the Covid-19 pandemic. St. Sebastian, pray for us and keep us safe.

I also want everyone to say the Rosary to our Blessed Lady to help to find a vaccine. It would be wonderful for all our families to pray the Rosary each day and so powerful. Prayer is the most powerful weapon we have in all situations in our life.

We are hoping in November to have a daily Mass on Wednesday and Fridays at 9.00 a.m. There are November dead envelopes for you to list those who have died together with a donation. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for them. Envelopes are in the Narthex in the church or from the presbytery.

May God's blessing and protection come down on each of you at this time.

*Fr Leslie*

**Mass attendance**

Last weeks Mass attendance:

6.00 p.m. Mass 48. 10.30 a.m. Mass 29.

We do need more volunteers to steward the people attending Mass. Please do give it a thought as we need ushers for our Masses to continue. 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. Our church is Covid safe so do come along to one of our Masses if you are able. Our parish community and each one of you are important. Keep safe.

**November Dead**

Envelopes are in the Narthex. Please pick one up and together with a donation name those you wish Mass to be offered for them in November.

**Bible Alive**

£3.00 in the Narthex - Daily reflection of the scriptures each day of the week.

**Missio (Mission Today)**

Free in the Narthex - "We are all God's work of art, created in Christ Jesus to live the good life as from the beginning he has meant us to live it" (Eph 2:10).

**Advent Booklets**

For the infants and juniors. These will be soon distributed by our school in due course. This is a gift to the school from the parish to help your children prepare for Christmas - the time when God revealed himself as man at his birth. We have done this now for a few years.

**Altar Servers**

I send my best wishes and thanks to the altar servers who at present cannot exercise their ministry especially our newly trained servers. Take care of yourselves.

**Eucharistic Thoughts**

St. John Paul II said "I have been able to celebrate Mass in chapels built alongside mountain paths, on lake shores and sea coasts. I have celebrated it on an altar built on stadiums and in city squares. This varied scenario of celebrations of the Eucharist has given me a powerful experience of its universal and, so to speak cosmic character, Yes cosmic! Because even when it is celebrated on the humble altar of a country church, the Eucharist is always in the same way, celebrated on the altar of the world. It unites heaven and earth. It embraces and permeates all creation. In the Eucharist, Christ gives back to the creator and Father of creation redeemed". (St. John Paul II)

**Safe Spaces**

Safe Spaces is a joint Anglican and Catholic Church project to provide a vital support service for survivors of church-related abuse. Although the churches have funded the service, it is run independently by the charity Victim Support, who are one of the leading charities providing specialist support to survivors of abuse in England and Wales. Please see more details on our new website [www.stjosephshutton.org](http://www.stjosephshutton.org)

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**The Marillac Neurological Care centre**, founded by The Daughters of Charity in 1921 is fast approaching its centenary year. The service is entering into an exciting phase of it's evolvement and is venturing towards becoming an independent Charity whilst maintaining its relationship with the Daughters of Charity and the Vincentian Values.

We have assembled a core team of Advisors who have guided us to this stage and are now looking to add to the Board of Advisors with the possibility of becoming Trustees in the near future. We are looking for people to join who share the values and can commit to one Board meeting per month, with any extra time by negotiation. We are particularly keen to hear from people who are from Medical, Legal or Accounting backgrounds.

Marillac Neurological Care Centre is a 52 bedded centre in Warley, Brentwood. It provides care, treatment and rehabilitation for a wide variety of Neurological conditions including Brain Injuries to adults within a specialised highly skilled environment.

As a first point of contact please e-mail Paul Dixon, Managing Director: [pauld@marillac.co.uk](mailto:pauld@marillac.co.uk) or call: 01277 220276

### Weekday Mass

In the near future we are hoping to have a weekday Mass at least two publicly. As you can appreciate with the virus things can change quickly.

### November Dead Envelopes are in the Narthex

Take one for any deceased members of your family – Don't forget to put in a donation.

### The Church Year for Children

Every child knows what is celebrated at Christmas. But what about Pentecost and All Saints' Day? Who were Saint Martin and Saint Nicholas? Why do we dye Easter eggs?

CTS are publishing an exciting new book for children, aimed to help them actively discover the church year. Starting with Advent, there are child-friendly facts, explanatory illustrations, and creative suggestions on how to organise these special times for each festival and each year. Cost: £16.95. <https://www.ctsbooks.org/product/the-church-year-forchildren>

### New Sunday Missal 2021

**This beautifully designed paperback Sunday Missal is an ideal companion for the liturgical year:**

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### Brentwood Ursuline Convent High School

The school will be holding Virtual Open Evenings for prospective Year 7 and Sixth Form students and their parents who wish to consider entry to the school in September 2021. For prospective Year 7 students the Virtual Open evening will go live from Wednesday 30 September 2020. Please contact the Admissions Officer Miss Lester (Tel: 01277 227156 ext. 405) for further information. Please see the school website [www.brentwoodursuline.co.uk](http://www.brentwoodursuline.co.uk) and click on the tickertape running across the screen. For sixth Form students the Virtual Open Evening will go live on 5 November 2020.

### Month of October

This month is the month of the most holy Rosary. During this month please Honour our Blessed Mother by saying the Rosary each day for our families, our nation and world during these testing times of COVID-19.

Unfortunately, we cannot use votive candles because of touching the candles and caskets. Also the danger of non-sanitised hands coming into contact with lighted candles.

### Candlelight Funds – support CAFOD

Celebrate a life and give hope to thousands more! This year we will not be having the Cafod Collection. Hopefully we can make a big one in Lent next year. However, you can help this year by picking up from the Narthex a Cafod Form. Please fill in your details and return to Cafod in the envelope provided.

“Keep a light shining through a candlelight fund, for a deceased member of your family or friends.” The details are on the leaflet. Please pick one up and help Cafod to help others.

### New Parishioners

If you are new to our Parish, please introduce yourself and your family to Fr. Leslie after Mass. Please complete a Parish Registration Form which can be found on the parish website ([www.stjosephshutton.org](http://www.stjosephshutton.org)). When restrictions are lifted one of our Parishioners will contact you to welcome you and help you settle in.

### Covid 19

Visitors to the church should scan the QR code when they arrive, using the NHS COVID-19 app. This is to help trace and stop the spread of coronavirus (COVID-19).

### Dedication of our Parish

Let us entrust our parish to St Joseph our patron.

God Our Loving Father who entrusted the care of his only begotten Son to St. Joseph. May he protect us all from this testing time so that our parish community may again come together and return with joy and gratitude to Our Lord in the Most Blessed Sacrament.

St. Joseph protect us all and bring Eternal Rest to all who have died. We ask this through Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

### Take Notice

Please take home your newsletter – because it can't be touched by anyone else except in the family bubble.

### Finance News

For the week ending 11 October you gave £168.50 including £36.00 which was Gift Aided.

### 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

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### Pope on Twitter



The witness of Blessed Carlo Acutis indicates to today's young people that true happiness is found by putting God in first place and serving Him in our brothers and sisters, especially the least.

I am near to those people affected by wildfires: on the West Coast of the United States, especially California, the central regions of South America, the Pantanal area, Paraguay, the banks of the Paraná River, and Argentina. May the Lord sustain them.

It is not enough to accept the invitation to follow the Lord; one must be open to a journey of conversion, which changes the heart. The garment of mercy, which God offers us unceasingly, is the free gift of his love; it is grace.

Appearances notwithstanding, every person is immensely holy and deserves our love. Consequently, if I can help at least one person to have a better life, that already justifies the offering of my life.



My friends keep complaining that I'm a cheapskate. I'm not buying it!

Why do melons have weddings? Because they cantaloupe.

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### CATHOLIC AND HAVE LOST TOUCH?

If you have been a non Church-going Catholic for a long time, it can be very helpful to read about contemporary Catholic beliefs and life. It may appear to you that some things have changed.

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