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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 14 April 2019

UPCOMING MASSES

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF OUR LORD FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

Saturday 13	6.00 p.m.
Sunday 14	8.30 a.m.
Monday 15	9.00 a.m.
Tuesday 16	9.00 a.m.
Wednesday 17	NO MORNING MASS
Thursday 18	Mundy Thursday EASTER TRIDUUM EVENING MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER 8.00 p.m.

GOOD FRIDAY

TODAY IS A DAY OF ABSTINENCE AND FASTING

Friday 19	3.00 p.m. SOLEMN LITURGY OF THE LORD'S PASSION 7.30 p.m. STATIONS OF THE CROSS
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HOLY SATURDAY

Saturday 20	8.00 p.m. LITURGY OF THE PASCAL VIGIL AND FIRST MASS OF EASTER
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THE SEASON OF EASTER

THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

Sunday 21	8.30 a.m. 10.30 a.m.
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IN TODAY'S GOSPEL



Today begins the most important week of the Church's year. What's the best way to approach it? What are we meant to receive from it? How can we best participate in it? We are accustomed to celebrating the Church's year spread over twelve months: Advent to Christmas, Christmas to Lent, Easter to Pentecost, Pentecost to the Feast of Christ the King. In the beginning, however, at the dawn of the Church's life, the celebration of

this whole cycle was focused on one event – Easter. It was not until the fourth century that the annual liturgical cycle began to take the shape it has today.

Ask yourself: What is the purpose of these liturgical celebrations? What is the purpose of the liturgy of Palm Sunday? For sure, the Church makes a memorial of the events of our salvation, but it is so much more than an anniversary or a re-enactment. In the liturgy the once-and-for-all events of our salvation, especially the death and resurrection of Jesus, are celebrated and by the power of the Holy Spirit they are made real and present in our midst.

Jesus' coming into Jerusalem on a donkey is made sacramentally present to us today. Zechariah prophesied that the Lord as a divine warrior would enter Jerusalem to establish his dominion, 'from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth'. By entering Jerusalem in this way Jesus acted out his prophecy: 'Lo, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he, humble and riding on an ass, on a colt the foal of an ass'. Jesus revealed his destiny to establish the kingdom of God on earth, but his kingdom could only be established through his cross, death and resurrection. The same crowd who hailed him as he entered Jerusalem clamoured for his execution and cried out for his blood to be on them and their children.

Contemplate, if you will, the following words of St. Andrew of Crete: 'It is ourselves that we must spread under Christ's feet, not coats or lifeless branches or shoots of trees, matters which waste away and delight the eye only for a few hours. No, we have clothed ourselves with Christ's grace, or with the whole of Christ – "for as many of you as were baptised into Christ have put on Christ" – so let us spread ourselves like coats under his feet' (St. Andrew of Crete).



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.

Save The Date - 1

The Bishop will be making his Parish Pastoral Visit on Sunday **22 September 2019**. It's a long way off, but is a firm date for your diary.



Alternative Sunday Morning Masses Within The Partnership

The alternative Sunday morning Masses within our Parish Partnership are as follows:

Our Lady & St Joseph, Stock	09.00
St Margaret of Scotland, Dodinghurst	10.00
St John the Evangelist &	11.00
St Erconwald, Ingatestone	

Eucharistic Ministers for This Week's Masses (13/14 April 2019)

6.00 p.m. Carol Turnbull
Bill O'Regan
Gaye O'Regan
8.30 a.m. Mary Allum
Jan Jarvis
Lyn Birnie

Readers For This Week's Masses (13/14 April 2019)

6.00 p.m. Stephen Howarth
8.30 a.m. Alan Bailey

Sacrament Of Reconciliation (Confessions)

Every Saturday 9.45 a.m. to 10.15 a.m. or by request. This service has been suspended until further notice while Fr. Leslie is indisposed. See elsewhere in the newsletter for detail of times of Confessions at our Sister churches.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Previously every Friday 3.00 p.m. – 4.00 p.m. This has been suspended until further notice while Fr. Leslie is indisposed.

Mass Intentions

During Fr. Leslie's absence, if you wish to make a Mass Intention, please refer to a member of the Parish Pastoral Team. Thank you.

Anniversaries

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

Maureen Smith, Christine Keating, Kathleen Banoa, John Field, Stephen Jones, Cecilia Whitehouse, Kath Stone, Denys O'Dowd and Louise East.

Priests of our Diocese:

Fr. Owen Fitzgerald, Fr. John O'Mahony, Fr. William Donelan (1944) and Fr. George Duckett (2000).

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

Remember

To have a Mass offered for your loved ones. One day we too will be a Holy Soul depending on others to pray for us. Book of Macabees – "It is a holy and wholesome thought to pray for our dead that they may be loosed from their sins".

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 and Brian Donoghue. 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.

Eucharistic Ministers And Readers

If you were due to provide Ministry at 10.30 a.m. Mass please make yourself available at the other Masses if required.

Retiring Collection for Catholic Children's Society

As we began Lent, we were asked to pray, fast, and almsgiving. I suggested during Lent you make a little sacrifice each day and put any loose change into a box in support of the Catholic Children's Society.



We welcome you all today to our Sunday Liturgy.

Today we now enter into a very important time of the Christian calendar. It is a time when we change our focus away from our material world and set our hearts on the Pascal Mystery i.e. Passion, Death and Resurrection of the Lord. Today's readings emphasise a great humility of the Son of God and his determination to fulfil the work of salvation for which he has come into this world. As from the beginning of creation,

in Jesus Christ and his humble attitude, mankind has found his way to God and has recognised in him a source of life and true glory for which he has been created. Humility and determination give to the attitude of Jesus a command to an obedient fulfilment of the will of his Father in the form as it has been described.

In the letter to the Philippians "Christ Jesus becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on the cross. Because of this, God greatly exalted him". The first reading shows triumphal entrance of Jesus to Jerusalem and the people welcoming him because they want from him the beginning of the Kingdom of God according to their earthly expectation. Very soon they would be disappointed when Jesus receives the cross on his arms, realising the true spiritual Kingdom of God the Father speaks about. The same people who welcomed him at the entrance of Jerusalem will be responsible for his way of the cross. Jesus wanted to choose the will of God to redeem a sinner world and me and you.

Have a great Sunday with your families and a wonderful Holy Week.

Fr. Leslie



A Happy and Holy Easter to all our Parishioners



Brentwood Catholic Youth Service

BCYS EVENTS – see also Parish Noticeboard
For more information and to apply for any of our events, please visit www.bcys.net/events

BCYS CHARITY FOOTBALL MATCH 13 JULY, ROBERT CLACK LEISURE CENTRE, DAGENHAM

Last year young people (16-18s) beat the leaders (18-27) by a hefty 6-2. Will 2019 be the year the leaders regain their pride? If you are 16-27 and want to play, sign up now. All proceeds will go towards supporting bursaries for BCYS events. For more information, visit our website.

AN EVENING WITH MATT MAHER

31 MAY 2019, SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL.
Flying in from the USA, Matt Maher leads an evening of Prayer, Worship and Adoration. He is an eight-time GRAMMY nominee, international Christian artist, songwriter and worship leader. Open to those aged 16+, tickets are available on our website for £10 each! Meet in London.

SUMMER LOURDES 2019

20 - 27 July 2019, Lourdes
Join our hugely popular Summer Lourdes Pilgrimage. We assist the elderly and infirm on the annual Diocesan pilgrimage. This event is open to those in years 10 and above. The trip is now full for 2019; applicants will be added to a waiting list and notified if a place becomes available.

YOUTH GATHER

26 - 27 OCTOBER 2019, ESSEX OUTDOORS, EAST MERSEA

Back on Mersea Island, we'll combine climbing high ropes, abseiling, zip wires and more, with speakers and workshops to give you fresh insights into yourself and your faith. This is open to those in year 9 and above, applications will open at the end of July.

MONTHLY YOUTH MASS

8.00 p.m. First Wednesday of the Month, Brentwood Cathedral If you would like to know more, please email group709@hcpt.org.uk.

Charity Run

Brentwood Catholic Children's Society has several charity places for The Vitality London 10K run on Monday 27 May 2019. This May bank holiday event has a lovely atmosphere and takes in many of London's iconic landmarks, finishing in front of Buckingham Palace with all the event facilities, food and entertainment close by in Green Park. For each place, we ask for a pledge to raise a minimum sponsorship of £100 before Gift Aid. For further information, please contact julie at jabbott@bccs.org.uk or 07912 277413.

Charismatic Day Of Renewal

A date for your diary: The Diocesan Catholic Charismatic Renewal Service Team are organising A Day of Renewal themed 'The Love of Jesus' which will be held on Saturday 18 May 2019 at Blessed Sacrament Parish, 116 Melbourne Avenue, Chelmsford from 10.00 a.m. until 4.00 p.m. Our speaker will be Charles Whitehead and the day will finish with Mass at 3.00 p.m. Coffee and tea will be provided but please bring a packed lunch.

Easter Offering

Easter offering envelopes are at the back of the church. This is your Easter gift to your priest and forms a major part of his income. Thank you very much. Easter offering Envelopes - if you use them in other parishes over Easter, please mark for **St. Joseph the Worker, Hutton**.

200 Club

There is a great opportunity for new members to join the 200 Club in the next few weeks and participate in our SUPER DRAW!

This SUPER DRAW will take place on 13 July to coincide with the Parish Anniversary celebrations and we will DOUBLE the prize money on offer that month. This will mean that first prize that month will be £100 (usually £50). Second prize will be £50 (usually £25) and Third prize will be £30 (usually £15).

Come and join us now! See Marian Anderson after Mass, or take a 200 Club flyer from the table at the back of the church.

This is an opportunity not to be missed!



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Mass Requests From St Joseph The Worker

We have been able to schedule the following Mass Intentions at Ingatestone on the dates below.

Mass Intention	Requested By	Date of Mass at Ingatestone
Margaret + Alan Cronin RIP	C. Turnbull	15 April
Mass Times:	Ingatestone Church	9.00 a.m. (7.00 p.m. if a Monday)
	Almshouses	6.00 p.m.

Note For Eucharistic Ministers

If you have a Pyx at home which was supplied by the church and you are not currently taking Holy Communion to the Sick, please could you return it as soon as possible as we are in great need and have no spare ones. *Thank you.*

“At the heart of every Sin
is the letter ‘I’”

MISSIO Red Boxes

Please would everyone who has a red box leave it at the back of the church on one of the Sundays in March so that I can count its contents and return it. Please make sure your red box is clearly marked with your name and address. The Spring 2019 edition of “Mission Today” 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. Thank you for your support, *Clare Barton.*

RCIA

RCIA - If there are any non-Catholics who would be interested in knowing more about their faith or about becoming a Catholic at Easter 2020, please contact Mrs Gabrielle O'Regan on 01277 223460

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

Altar Servers

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.

Save The Date – 2

Our celebrations to mark our BIG anniversary will be held on **Saturday 13 July 2019**, starting at 6.00 p.m. It is 60 years since the first Mass was said here in Hutton, and 50 years since the foundation of the church. We hope to have the Bishop in attendance too, but we are currently awaiting confirmation. Watch this space! And make sure 13 July is in your diary!

P.S. We would welcome any suggestions that you have as to how we can celebrate these milestones; please drop Ian Restall an email at ian.restall@design-portfolio.co.uk



Brentwood Catholic Children's Society

Children and families are now able to access direct therapeutic support in one of our clinics. Sessions take place after school or at an evening clinic at our counselling suites in Rayleigh. Our highly experienced counsellors provide support directly to the whole family or to children and adolescents on a 1:1 basis. If you are concerned that your child may need someone to talk to, please contact Catherine on cmunns@bccs.org.uk There is a sessional charge, so please enquire.

“The best Vitamin for a
Christian is B1.”

Brentwood Catholic Youth Service - Youth Mass

You are invited to join us for our Youth Mass on the first Wednesday of every month. The Youth Mass is held at Brentwood Cathedral on the first Wednesday of every month, with Mass starting at 8.00 p.m. followed by refreshments in the Cathedral conference rooms. This is a great chance to meet other young Catholics from around the Diocese. You are always welcome. More info at www.bccs.net or follow us on Facebook, Twitter. May I ask our parents to mention this to our young people?

Recently Pope Francis and Bishops from around the world have held a Synod in Rome on young people. Pope Francis asked you to ask yourselves “Who is Jesus Christ for you?”

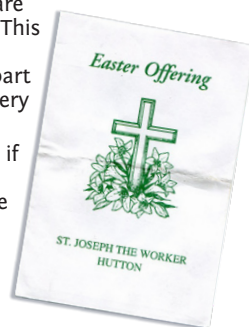
Brentwood Catholic Children's Society Anniversary Concert:

We are delighted to announce that the Northern Irish classical singing trio ‘The Priests’ have agreed to hold an Anniversary Concert for us on Saturday 15 June 2019 at Brentwood Cathedral at 7.30 p.m. Early bird tickets are available now at a special price of £15 plus booking fee until 1 March after which all tickets will be £20 plus fee. All tickets can be purchased directly through Eventbrite - www.eventbrite.co.uk - look for The Priests under Event, or click the link on our website www.bccs.org.uk under Our 35th Anniversary/Anniversary Events. We expect this to be a sell-out event and would urge you to book early in order to avoid disappointment.

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Finance News

For the week ending 7 April you gave £259.55 of which £43.00 was via gift aid. *Thanks and God Bless*



Pope on Twitter



Lenten fasting frees us from our attachment to things, from the worldliness that anaesthetizes the heart. #Lent

During this time of #Lent we are invited to look to others too with charity, which frees us from the vanity of possessing, from thinking that things are good if they are good for me.

#Lent invites us to look upward with prayer, which frees us from a horizontal, flat life, where we find time only for our ego, but forget God.

#Lent is the time to rediscover our way back to life. The Lord is the destination of our journey in the world: the course must be set on Him.

Mass Intentions

In Fr. Leslie's absence, Mass intentions agreed for future dates will not be said until Fr. Leslie's return to the parish. If anyone would like to rearrange their Mass intention at another parish please see Jan Jarvis, Michael Wild or Marian Anderson.

WWW.CHURCHPOP.COM

Parents and young people, can I invite you to log on to www.churchpop.com for very helpful information to help your Catholic faith.

Divine Mercy Sunday

Sunday 28 April is Divine Mercy Sunday. At 3.00 p.m. there will be Divine Mercy Prayers, Adoration and Benediction.

Light

Laughter

If, by “crunches” you mean the sound bacon makes when I eat it, then yes, I do crunches!

Children's corner

Welcome to children's corner.

Welcome to our children's corner. 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

God loves us so much he sent his Son to live among us. Jesus suffered and died, showing us God's love and forgiveness through it all. This is a sad week, but next week will be happy when we hear the rest of this wonderful story.

A PRAYER TO SAY

Jesus, thank you for loving me so much. Help me to be loving to my family and friends. Help me to do hard things for them even when I don't want to. *Amen.*



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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.

Free materials are available from the Catholic Enquiry Office.

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