

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER

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VOCAION PRAYER

Lord give me the gift of a generous heart to follow your will as I journey the path of life. You set before me the vocation of priesthood, religious life, single life and marriage. Grant me the grace and generosity I need to answer your call. Amen.

APOSTOLIC LETTER "MOTU PROPRIO DATA"

PORTA FIDEI OF THE SUPREME PONTIFF BENEDICT XVI - FOR THE INDICTION OF THE YEAR OF FAITH

CONTINUATION OF "PORTA FIDEI" (DOOR OF FAITH)

The renewal of the Church is also achieved through the witness offered by the lives of believers: by their very existence in the world, Christians are called to radiate the word of truth that the Lord Jesus has left us. The Council itself, in the Dogmatic Constitution Lumen Gentium, said this: While "Christ, 'holy, innocent and undefiled' (Heb 7:26) knew nothing of sin (cf. 2 Cor 5:21), but came only to expiate the sins of the people (cf. Heb 2:17)... the Church ... clasping sinners to its bosom, at once holy and always in need of purification, follows constantly the path of penance and renewal. The Church, 'like a stranger in a foreign land, presses forward amid the persecutions of the world and the consolations of God', announcing the cross and death of the Lord until he comes (cf. 1 Cor 11:26). But by the power of the risen Lord it is given strength to overcome, in patience and in love, its sorrow and its difficulties, both those that are from within and those that are from without, so that it may reveal in the world, faithfully, although with shadows, the mystery of its Lord until, in the end, it shall be manifested in full light."

The Year of Faith, from this perspective, is a summons to an authentic and renewed conversion to the Lord, the one Saviour of the world. In the mystery of his death and resurrection, God has revealed in its fullness the Love that saves and calls us to conversion of life through the forgiveness of sins (cf. Acts 5:31). For Saint Paul, this Love ushers us into a new life: "We were buried ... with him by baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life" (Rom 6:4). Through faith, this new life shapes the whole of human existence according to the radical new reality of the resurrection. To the extent that he freely cooperates, man's thoughts and affections, mentality and conduct are slowly purified and transformed, on a journey that is never completely finished in this life. "Faith working through love" (Gal 5:6) becomes a new criterion of understanding and action that changes the whole of man's life (cf. Rom 12:2; Col 3:9-10; Eph 4:20-29; 2 Cor 5:17).

ST JOHN PAYNE CATHOLIC SCHOOL - VACANCY

St John Payne Catholic School have the following vacancy for September 2013 - Deputy Headteacher Leadership Spine L20 to L24 - 59,809 to 65,963. Closing Date: Monday 28 January 2013 Interviews: 15th February 2013. The Governors are seeking to appoint a dynamic and forward thinking practising Catholic teacher to join the leadership team of this thriving and successful school. St. John Payne is a mixed Voluntary Aided Catholic Comprehensive school for 1136 students aged 11 to 18 including 200 in the Sixth Form. The school enjoys an excellent reputation at GCSE and A Level and also for its pastoral work.

The successful applicant will:

- be a practising Catholic with a clear understanding of and commitment to the spiritual and moral development of the school community
- be committed to school improvement and have a proven record of success in raising standards for all students
- be an outstanding classroom teacher with excellent communication skills and the ability to inspire and motivate students, staff and other stakeholders
- be an analytical and strategic thinker with the capacity to lead on the full range of whole school areas
- have the ambition to develop to become a Headteacher
- The school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. Successful applicants will be subject to an Enhanced CRB check and medical questionnaire.

For an application pack please contact the school office or download from our website www.sjp.essex.sch.uk.

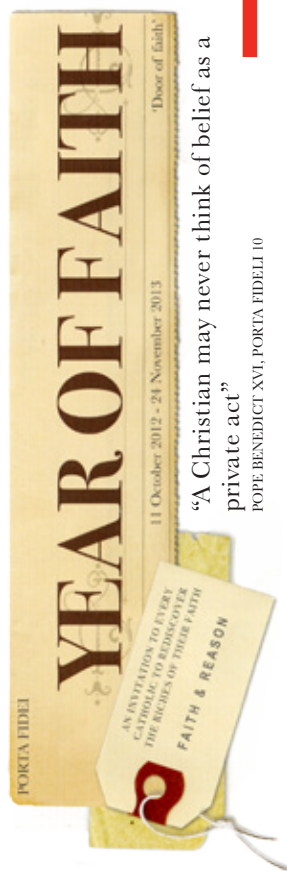
MISSION STATEMENT

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 of St. Joseph the Worker

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MASSES AND MASS INTENTIONS

THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

Saturday 26	6.00 p.m.	Bill Brennan RIP	
Sunday 27	8.30 a.m.	Veronica Thomas RIP	M and L Donovan
	10.30 a.m.	People of the Parish	

FEAST OF ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

Monday 28	9.15 a.m.	Holy Souls
Tuesday 29	9.15 a.m.	Holy Souls
Wednesday 30	8.30 a.m.	Holy Souls

FEAST OF ST. JOHN BOSCO

Thursday 31	9.15 a.m.	Ints Mary Dillane
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FEBRUARY 2013

Friday 1	9.15 a.m.	Ruth Venner	Liz Kent
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THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

Saturday 2	9.15 a.m.	
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FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (C)

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

Saturday 2	6.00 p.m.		
Sunday 3	8.30 a.m.	People of the Parish	
	10.30 a.m.	Vince Ma RIP	Design Portfolio

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS) EVERY SATURDAY FROM 9.45 A.M. TO 10.15 A.M., DURING WHICH TIME WE HAVE EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR THIS WEEKEND'S MASSES

6.00 P.M.	8.30 A.M.	10.30 A.M.
Carol Turnbull	Catherine Bray	John Tobin
Bill O'Regan	Ken Eady	Mary Brooks
Gaye O'Regan	John Spinks	Chris Brooks

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND'S MASSES (2/3 FEBRUARY)

Ann Howarth	Pat Green	Dom D'Albuquerque
Marian Anderson	Jan Jarvis	Willa Jackson
Pat Creavin	Lyn Birnie	Pat Burton

READERS FOR THIS WEEKEND'S MASSES

Paul Bolton	Alan Bailey	Peter Sanders
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READERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND'S MASSES (2/3 FEBRUARY)

Ian Restall	Carol Giles	Marina Moffat
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WELCOMERS THIS WEEKEND

T. Murphy
A. Law

WELCOMERS NEXT WEEKEND (2/3 FEBRUARY)

T. Murphy
J. Ariya

CHILDREN'S LITURGY FOR THIS WEEKEND

Jo
Nicky

CHILDREN'S LITURGY FOR NEXT WEEKEND (2/3 FEBRUARY)

Mary
Sally

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK IN OUR PARISH

Nicholas Sharkey, Daniella DiLisio (aged 16), Paul Denton, Don Whittle, Simone Austin, Anita Czupeynski, Mick O'Dowd, Bernard Gordon, Annie Baker, Jacqueline Birnie, Maureen Flaherty, Pauline White, Mairead O'Driscoll, Nora McPherson, Diane Griffiths, Mary Dillane, Vince Vitali, Mary Boyer and Mano Subryan. Our Lady of Lourdes intercede for them. If there are any changes please let Fr. Leslie know.



ANNIVERSARIES

We pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time especially Edward Williams, Kathleen Dalton, and John Halsey.

Priests of our Diocese Fr: Jack Clifford (2010), and Fr: Joseph Burns (1990).

For these and all the faithful departed by the Mercy of God, May they Rest in Peace and rise in Glory and Grace.

DIOCESAN YOUTH MASS

The Diocesan Youth Mass will be celebrated in the Cathedral Centre at 8.00 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month. Please do take part. If you are going to be a volunteer for one of our parish groups, (i.e. Children's Liturgy, Holy Communion that involves children and vulnerable adults, then you must obtain a CRB form from the Presbytery. If you are an existing volunteer without a Diocesan CRB then please obtain a form from Father Leslie.

FINANCE MATTERS

Week ending 19/20 Jan you gave £234.96 of which £14.00 was Gift Aided. Gas for Parish properties for Jan: £472.47



Fr. Leslie writes

Welcome to our parish of St Joseph the Worker. And also a very warm welcome to our new parishioners. Please do join us for coffee after our 8.30 a.m. and 10.30 a.m. Masses - this is a wonderful way to meet new parishioners in particular, and for all of us to get together for a chat.

When we gather to celebrate our Sunday Eucharist we are feeding at the table of the Word and the table of the Eucharist. At best, the Word and the Eucharist are proclaimed and broken among the people. "The Word of God is something alive and active".

In the first reading from Nehemiah we have the marvellous picture of men and women weeping as they hear God's Word, so moved are they, and that picture is one that challenges those who hear God's Word today to allow it to challenge, console, and move them. Those who listened to Ezra had been deprived of God's Word and now they were able to receive it. The gospel applies words of Isaiah to Jesus, to state his mission and calling, yet it is in fact that Jesus says "this text is being fulfilled today even as you listen". The Word of God is always about today, it is not words of the past, but what God is doing here and now. Perhaps if we could recognise that, then we might respond powerfully to his message.

As we enter into our celebration today, let us be particularly attentive to the voice of God in the proclamation of our readings.

THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS

Fr Leslie

Celebrating the presence of God in the family



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To love means to be alive with the life of God, since God is love and we do what he has commanded us



CAKE SALE - SUNDAY 3 FEBRUARY

Please do try and contribute a cake for the stall in the hall after Mass, we did so well last time ! Our costs for church maintenance are rising all the time and every little helps. Leave cakes on the Saturday or bring into the hall before Mass on Sunday morning. Thank you,



VALENTINES GALA DINNER

Thank you so much for your support of the Brentwood Catholic Children's Society Valentines Gala Dinner. Just to recap, it will be held on Thursday 14 February 2013, at the exclusive Stockbrook Golf & Country Club, Billericay. Tickets are priced at £50 per person to include a drinks reception, fabulous gifts, dinner, dancing, live entertainment & much more. Through the Parish we have managed to fill 3 tables so far, and we are nearly there with filling a fourth. Just a couple of spaces left so please call Jan Jarvis on 200278 to claim your space. This is truly an event not to be missed! What a night it promises to be!



CHURCHES TOGETHER

Churches Together in Brentwood - Unity Service 2013 will be held on Wednesday 23 January at 8.00 p.m. The theme will be: Affecting our community together. Venue: Trinity Church, 49 Coxtie Green Road, Brentwood, Essex CM 14 5PS Plenty of parking available! A warm welcome awaits you!

JOHN PAYNE SCHOOL AN EVENT

Mr Schular, headteacher invites friends of the Saint John Payne School community to attend Five American, Three Murders and a Poisoning by The Robert Bloomfield Players & Rebecca Preen. This whodunit set in 1926 is being presented in the Upper School Hall at 7.30pm on Thursday 7th, Friday 8th and Saturday 9th February 2013. Tickets can be purchased in advance for £5 via the Box Office which can be contacted on 01245 256030. If any tickets remain they will be sold on the door for £7 each.

POPE ON TWITTER

What does the Lord ask of us as we work for Christian unity? To pray constantly, do justice, love goodness, and walk humbly with Him.



A Prayer to say

Thank you, Jesus, for choosing me. Help me to spread your Good News. Help me to share your love with everyone I meet.
Amen.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Our Bishop will make a pastoral visitation to our parish on Sunday, 3 November 2013. On this occasion he will confirm some of our young parishioners. If you wish to be confirmed you must be 14+. Please notify in writing to father Leslie. Currently we have Andrew Martin, Joseph Gill, Charlie Neal and Louise Walker who want to be confirmed. Father Leslie must have your names by the end of January

NEW READERS WANTED

Would you be willing to read at Mass on Saturday evening or Sunday morning? We desperately need more readers at all masses to share in delivering the Word of God. Coaching and practice can be given. Please sign up on the list in the porch if you are interested.

200 CLUB



Members who pay their annual subscriptions in January by cash/cheque are kindly asked to leave their payments with Fr. Leslie. Thank you for your support in 2012 and we hope you have a Happy New Year. New members are most welcome. To join please complete a standing order form for £2.00 per month – you could be a lucky winner in 2013!



DOORWAY TO FAITH

On the front of the newsletter, we are printing excerpts from Pope Benedict XVI "Doorway to Faith". Also available from this Sunday, we are selling at £1.50 a small booklet, a journey of prayer through the Catechism of the Catholic Church, beginning on Monday 14 January day by day. You may find it useful in your family prayer and help you with the living what we believe.

THE SUNDAY OBLIGATION

"The precept of the church specifies the law of the Lord more precisely: on Sundays and other Holy Days of Obligation the faithful are bound to participate at Mass.....The Sunday Eucharist is the foundation and confirmation of all Christian practices. For this reason the faithful are obliged to participate in the Eucharist, unless excused for a serious reason (for example, illness, the care of infants) or dispensed by their own pastor. Those who deliberately fail in this obligation commit a grave sin. Catechism of the Catholic Church.

RELIGIOUS POEM COMPETITION

United Press are holding a Religious Poem Competition and now is your last chance to enter. So if you haven't already entered, please post up to three poems headed: Religious Poem to United Press Ltd, Admail 3735, London, EC1B 1JB or enter online at <http://www.unitedpress.co.uk/submit-poetry-online/>.

You can enter a prayer, words for a hymn, a description of an uplifting moment, or a poem about a religious experience, a person or your church. It can be rhyming or free verse, historic, romantic, factual or personal - anything you like, as long as there is a religious theme. You can submit up to three poems of no more than 25 lines (including blank lines) and 160 words each. The competition closes at the end of this month.

CHURCH CLEANING

Thank you very much to all those that helped with church cleaning on Friday. The end result is a tribute to everyones hard work. Church cleaning is on Fridays after 9.15 a.m. Mass for one hour. Again thank you.

THE KNIGHTS OF ST. COLUMBA

The Knights will be holding a Buffet and Dance at the Cathedral Hall on Saturday 2 March 2013 commencing at 7.30 p.m. Dancing to 60's music with DEANO. Tickets at 17.50 available from Bill O'Regan on 01277 223460 or any member of the KSC. Profits go to various charities including The Brentwood Children's Society and Aid to the Church in Need (KSC National Charity). Bring your own liquid refreshment.

FOYER OF CHARITY RETREAT

At Sion Community, Brentwood March 10 (evening) - March 16 (midday) 2013. Foyer retreats are held mainly in silence, with three talks a day covering the major aspects of Catholic faith and helping participants to deepen their life of prayer and their Christian life. For more information, contact Mgr. Keith Barltrop 020 7229 0487; St. Mary of the Angels, Moorhouse Road, London W2 5DJ; keithbarltrop@redow.org.uk

LITURGICAL FORMATION

"One with Christ in Service and Prayer". The Liturgy in the spirit of Vatican Two. Will be held on Saturday 16 February between 10.00 a.m. and 1.00 p.m. at The Cathedral Conference Centre, Brentwood. The Speaker will be Mgr. David Manson VG



Jesus travelled through Galilee and told everyone how God loved them. Jesus went to the synagogue in his home town of Nazareth. He read from the book of Isaiah that God will bring good news to the poor, give sight to the blind and set people free. Jesus told the people that he was Gods messenger who was doing this work.



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.

Contact: "Coming Home", CEO, 114 West Heath Road, London NW3 7TX
Tel: 020 8458 3316. e-mail: info@comehomeforchristmas.co.uk



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