

# ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER

Parish Hutton and Shenfield

## 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.

## FR. GARY DENCH

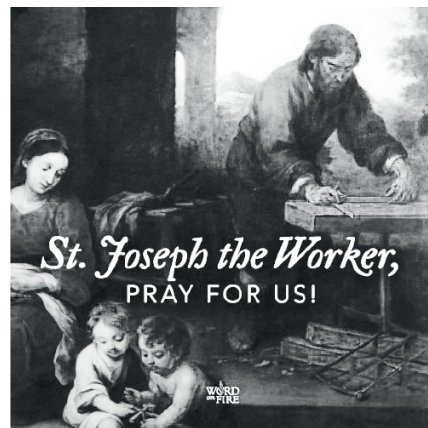
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## Stewards Of The Gospel

"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 15 September 2024

### TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

Saturday 14 6.00 p.m.  
For our Parishioners  
Sunday 15 10:30 a.m.  
For our Parishioners

### WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday 16 9.00 a.m.  
Tuesday 17 9.00 a.m.  
Wednesday 18 9.00 a.m.  
NO MASS ON THURSDAY  
Friday 20 9.00 a.m.

### TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

Saturday 21 6.00 p.m.  
For our parishioners  
Sunday 22 10.30 a.m.  
For our parishioners

*Do try and come to a weekday Mass.  
We all need Jesus.*

The Church is open all day for your visit to the Blessed Sacrament.

Please note: The Newsletter is put together two weeks in advance. If you wish your Mass intention to be printed, you will need to have it handed in by then. *Thank you.*

*If you can, please come to weekday Mass. The Eucharist is the Bread of Life, the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of life Lord.*

## Parish Partnership

The most recent Minutes and Action Points have been posted to the St. Joseph the Worker website and can be viewed at <https://www.stjosephshutton.org/parish/parish-partnership/>

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

Is available on Saturdays from 10.00 a.m. to 10.30 a.m. or on request before Mass or any other time.

## Sick parishioners

Please pray for our many sick parishioners and those in care homes.

## Pilgrims of Hope

Pope Francis has designated 2025 as a Jubilee Year under the theme of 'Pilgrims of Hope'.

## Mass Attendance

Saturday 7 September 6.00 p.m.: 65  
Sunday 8 September 10.30 a.m.: 65

In today's Gospel, Our Lord points us towards his manner of death and yesterday, the 14th September, we celebrated the Feast of the Exultation of the Holy Cross. Some might find it strange that we Catholics have such a devotion to the Cross. We have crucifixes in our churches, our houses and in our schools. It has been the inspiration for beautiful works of art. We begin our prayers with the Sign of the Cross. In our Baptism the sign of the Cross is made on our foreheads. It is an image of suffering, and an image of death, but it is also an image of love. It is the symbol of the most dramatic act of love in all of human history, and demonstrates the extent of God's love for each of us. He loved us enough to humble Himself in becoming one of us, and one with us. He loved us enough to embrace our frail human condition. He loved us so much that He died for our sake. Our Lord died for love of us. May we strive to live for love of Him.

**God Bless to you and your families**

## Fr Gary's Induction

At 7.00 p.m. on Friday 4 October Mgr. Kevin Hale will celebrate a special Mass here in the parish during which he will formally install Fr. Gary as our parish priest. Everyone is invited and this will be a wonderful opportunity to formally welcome Fr. Gary, and to celebrate the life of our parish family. There will be a social in the parish hall afterwards. There is a list in the porch where you can sign up to say that you will join. This will give us an idea of numbers for catering purposes.  
*Go, eat your bread with joy and drink your wine with a glad heart* (Ecclesiastes 9:7).

## Accident Reporting and First Aid Guidance

In an ideal world, accidents wouldn't happen. The reality is that sometimes, despite our best efforts, things can go wrong and the consequences can go beyond the casualty themselves, impacting their families, friends, colleagues, and the church community. Serious accidents can affect the reputation of the church in the wider community. The guide is available to view and/or download in Safety Toolbox Online Resources. If you have any questions arising from the new guidance or need help accessing the resources, please contact [hs@brcdt.org](mailto:hs@brcdt.org) or visit the online Help Centre, contact Health and Safety Team or Safety Toolbox on **0203 637 5384** or by email.

## Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday 14 September	6.00 p.m. Stella Walker
Sunday 15 September	10.30 a.m. Lyn Birnie
Saturday 21 September	6.00 p.m. Ewa Kania
Sunday 22 September	10.30 a.m. Willa Jackson

## Readers

Saturday 14 September	6.00 p.m. Natalie Coleman-Dale
Sunday 15 September	10.30 a.m. Paul Downey
Saturday 21 September	6.00 p.m. Ian Restall
Sunday 22 September	10.30 a.m. Peter Sanders

## For information

Fr. Gary's day off is on Thursdays.

## Our Parish Administrator

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Any questions regarding Baptismal form etc. please email - [hutton@brcdt.org](mailto:hutton@brcdt.org)

## Faithful Departed

Please pray for two of our recently departed parishioners, Philomena Coe and Dennis Norman. May their souls and the souls of the all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

## First Holy Communion Children

Please can the parents of First Holy Communion Children sign the weekly signing sheet after Mass today. Thanks in advance.

## Evangelii Gaudium Day

There will be a Second Collection for Evangelii Gaudium Day today.

## MISSIO

The Autumn 2024 edition of "Mission Today" is available on the table in the porch. 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](https://missio.org.uk) to find out more or to donate online.

Thank you for your support, Clare Barton.

## Open House Billericay

### Saturday 12 October 2024

On Saturday 12 October the Most Holy Redeemer Church, Billericay will be hosting a day focusing on parish renewal, with talks and workshops designed to help parishes transition from maintenance to mission. Bishop Alan will also be presiding at the Midday Mass.

Get inspired by priests and parishioners as they share stories of transformation. Hear what they are learning and dream about the change that could be possible in your own parish. The day will last from 9.30 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. and the cost is £20 per person. In order to attend you need to register in advance by following this link:

<https://divinerenovation.org/events/>

## York Pilgrimage Weekend October 2024

During the weekend of the 26-27 October 2024, Young Catholic Adults and the Traditional English Association of Catholic History will be organising a pilgrimage to Catholic York, including a visit to St. Margaret Clitheroe's Shrine, the Bar Convent and St. Mary's Bishophill – the oldest Church in York. This event is aimed at Young Catholic Adults and Catholics interested in history. For details of how to book onto this free weekend and for more info see:- <https://bookwhen.com/young-catholicadults-yorkpilgrimage2024>

## Youth Gather, Essex Outdoors, East Mersea, 26 – 27 October, 2024

For anyone in year 9 and above, join us for a weekend of speakers, workshops, prayer and more, alongside the opportunity to try high ropes, archery or climbing at the amazing Essex Outdoors in East Mersea. Applications are now open, and you can apply and find all information at

[www.bcsys.net/events/youth-gather-2024/](http://www.bcsys.net/events/youth-gather-2024/)

## 200 Club

Each month there are cash prizes to be won through our very popular 200 Club.

All you need to do is to complete a Standing Order Form for £2.00 per month (there are forms for you in the Narthex) and hand it in to Marian Anderson or Fr. Gary. Once completed, you will be entered into a Prize Draw. Three names are drawn each month and cash prizes are £50.00, £30.00 and £20.00 for first second and third respectively. It's a great opportunity for parishioners to win a cash prize, while 50% of the proceeds goes to boost parish funds. The draw is made at the end of each month so act now to be involved in the September draw!

## Gardener Needed – St. Joseph the Worker Parish Presbytery

A vacancy has arisen for a Gardener at the Parish Presbytery for 2 hours every fortnight. For more information, please contact Parish Administrator on 01277 221917, email: [hutton@brcdt.org](mailto:hutton@brcdt.org)

## Mass Intentions

Please don't forget to have a Mass celebrated for family and friends. Some Masses still available.

## The Catholic Fellowship Disability Network

Serving people with disabilities and their families of all faiths and none across Essex and East London. Become a member TODAY! Contact us – [info@cfdn.org.uk](mailto:info@cfdn.org.uk)  
Website: [www.cfdn.org.uk](http://www.cfdn.org.uk)

## Our Parish Vision

Our mission statement speaks of Christ at the centre helping us to grow in faith as a community where we all feel welcomed, loved and valued. We all have the opportunity to serve at our parish of St. Joseph in so many ways. There are many ministers, choir and music, altar serving, readers, eucharistic ministers, (especially to bring Holy Communion to the sick), church cleaners, hospitality and welcome refreshment team.

## Masses

Don't forget to have a Mass said for members of your family or former parishioners. Envelopes are at the back of the church for this purpose. One day you will want someone to pray for you. 'It is a holy and wholesome thought to pray for our dead that they may be released from their sins' (Book of Maccabees).

## God's presence

When a family gathers together for a meal, say grace; i.e. Bless Lord our food which we have received, or a short passage from scriptures. Where two or three are gathered, Jesus is with us. Wherever we go Jesus is always with us. Find time to pray with your children and in the silence experience the stillness and presence of Jesus. When you pass any Catholic Church, make the sign of the cross, to recognize the presence of Jesus, or pay a short visit. Do not lose sight of God's presence.

## Baptism

A Baptismal form can be got from [hutton@brcdt.org](mailto:hutton@brcdt.org). You must live in our parish – Godparents are one Godmother and one Godfather. Both should be Catholic or at least one. The Catholic Godparents should be practicing their faith. A letter from their parish priest confirming they are regular Mass attenders should accompany your baptismal form request.

## For Adults (R.C.I.A)

If you are a non-Catholic and would like to learn more about our catholic faith, please give your name and contact details to the Presbytery. Each year at Easter, many people find their way into the Catholic Church. (Journey Home).

## 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. The Parish will find it much easier to communicate with you, and you with it, if you are registered. PLEASE REGISTER YOUR DETAILS WITH US. IT WILL BE A GREAT HELP



## Pope On Social Media

God can accomplish great things for the good of all through those who remain humble and grateful.

The Lord wants us to be responsible for one another (cf. Gen 4:9), not enemies. Every life is a sacred gift from God. Let us always remember: every life is a sacred gift from God!

Let us not be afraid to make ourselves small before God and each other. May we give our lives, spend our time, and make sacrifices to help our brothers and sisters live better and be happy!

Evangelisation occurs when we have the courage to break the "shell" that often closes us in on ourselves. Let us leave behind a lazy and comfortable religiosity that only serves our personal needs.

## Anniversaries

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

**Priests of our Diocese: Priest's private intention.**

**For these and all the faithful departed, may they REST IN PEACE and Rise in Glory.**

Let us never forget our former priests or parishioners. They were part of our parish family. We pray that they will be part of the church triumphant and pray also for holy souls in purgatory the church suffering and for ourselves on our journey the church militant. Please don't forget to have a mass offered for deceased family and friends, Intentions or for the sick.

One day we will need prayers offered for ourselves.

It's a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead that they may be released from their sins. (Book of Maccabees)

## Finance News – 1

For the week ending Sunday 8 September the Plate Collection totalled £260.00

Second Collection – Education Sunday: £150.00

*Thank you and God Bless*

## Finance News – 2

Please support the work, running and mission of the Parish by setting up a Standing Order via your on-line banking. Our Bank details are:

**HSBC Plc, High Street, Brentwood, Essex**

Account name: Catholic Church Hutton & Shenfield St Joseph The Worker

Sort code: 40-13-22

Account Number: 61018884

*Thank you.*

## Notification for Confirmation Candidates for 2025

Please can all those who applied for confirmation, 2025, email your full details to [hutton@brcdt.org](mailto:hutton@brcdt.org) as the confirmation list appears to have been misplaced. Your cooperation is highly appreciated.

Light

# Laughter

## Back to School Version

Teacher: Class, we will have only half a day of school this morning.

Class: Hooray!

Teacher: We will have the other half this afternoon.