



St Joseph's & St John the Baptist

CATHOLIC PARISH EAST BRIGHTON

Loving Jesus, living and sharing our Faith, welcoming all.

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (B) 6th June 2021

Psalter week 2

WELCOME

Welcome to St Joseph's and St John the Baptist! We are a vibrant and welcoming Catholic community in Brighton, with a vision to form disciples of Jesus Christ, to love others, and to serve our city.

Everyone is welcome, and there are loads of ways you can get involved! See our website www.eastbrightoncatholic.org.uk for more opportunities.

Message from Fr Sebastian

This Sunday is celebrated as Corpus Christi Sunday. The Catholic Church teaches the doctrine of transubstantiation — namely, that in the Eucharist, the communion wafer and the altar wine are transformed and really become the body and blood of Jesus Christ. St. Thomas said the Eucharist is the one instance of change we



encounter in this world that is exactly the opposite. The appearances of bread and wine stay the same, but the very essence or substance of these realities, which can't be viewed by a microscope, is totally transformed. The feast of Corpus Christi is a special opportunity for a transformation moment as we contemplate the abiding presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. Our mission is to transform the world and

the many worlds in which people live remembering the words of the great St. Irenaeus: "The glory of God is humanity fully alive". May we transform the world we live in through the food given us from the above. In this sense we are to become like Christ: as good as Jesus is.

My friends: Please do have a sunny week with many blessings from God!

Thank you from our Parish Food Bank!

Another big, big thank you to all the parishioners who brought food last week for the Food Bank—we are, once again, blown away by the support and generosity. If you can, please bring sliced bread, fresh milk, eggs, fruit and veg, and tins and jars this week. Thank you!

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SOME CHANGES TO COMING TO CHURCH

Further to last week's newsletter and email we have had new guidance from the Bishops Conference of England and Wales, and from the Diocese.

We are now allowed to reintroduce the following:

- Incense
- The Prayers of the Faithful,
- The Offertory Procession
- At Communion the Priests will now be able to announce "The Body of Christ".
- Votive Candles
- The Offertory Procession

Please note some restrictions will remain in place:

- You will still need to either sign in or scan the QR Code
- You will still need to wear a mask – unless exempt
- You should still sit in family groups or bubbles
- There is still no Sign of Peace
- You will still need to use hand sanitiser on arrival
- You should still sit in family groups or bubbles
- There is still no congregational singing allowed

All places of worship are also being asked to always consider the prevailing local conditions for the virus - we are monitoring this closely.

Please continue to follow the directions of our Welcomers as we take this next step safely.

Thank you as always for your support!

The Wednesday Takeaway Community Cafe has reopened!!

Come and join The Real Junk Food Project Brighton's Community Cafe for takeaways every Wednesday lunchtime from 12.30 - 14.00 at St John the Baptist parish hall. Collect a delicious takeaway lunch made from food that would otherwise go to landfill on a "pay as you feel" basis.

CAFOD Parliament in your Parish

Parliament in your Parish is about engaging with our MP's to plan a better post-COVID world. This year the UK hosts both the G7 meeting of rich countries, discussing overseas Debt & Aid, and the Cop26 Climate Summit. It's important to hold our politicians accountable after the Pandemic to rebuild in a way that addresses the world's most pressing ecological and social issues.

Pope Francis in his recent document 'Fratelli tutti', calls and urges us to be involved in the politics of 'renewing our troubled society. In response to that call we are inviting Catholics of all ages from the Parish to join us in a Zoom meeting with their MP's to just listen to or join in a discussion on climate change, debt, Aid budget, and to encourage our MPs to take any actions we, or they, may think appropriate.

Please email: Jenny Finlayson jfinlayson@cafod.org.uk the CAFOD organiser for the Diocese if you would like to be included and the name of your MP, and we will keep you informed, the meetings will be via Zoom For more info. see <https://cafod.org.uk/Campaign/Reclaim>

Citizens UK Listening Campaign on Mental Health Care Provision

The parish is participating in a local 'listening campaign' to find out more about people's experience of mental health care services in Brighton and Hove. If you have not done so already, and if you have experience of local mental health care provision, please consider filling out a questionnaire, a copy of which can be found on our website. Please return completed questionnaires either to the email given on the questionnaire or to the boxes which can be found at the back of church.

Altar Servers

We are pleased to inform you all that we are making a new group of servers in our parish. If you served before lockdowns and you would like to come back, please do it ASAP. If you haven't been a server yet but you would like to join us and you are after First Holy Communion, please do it ASAP too. **There will be a meeting for all our altar servers and candidates on 11th June (Friday) at 7.00pm at St John the Baptist church.** Please do come along with your parents as we would like to introduce and discuss new formation plan that will begin this year.

For more information, please contact Fr Sebastian directly: sebastian.kijak@abdiocese.org.uk

YOUNG ADULTS/STUDENTS

Any young adults are welcome to join us on Sundays for socials after the 11:30am mass.

For info about the latest young adults events & activities see www.facebook.com/groups/deepwatersbrighton.

Students - find out more about the Universities' Catholic Chaplaincy at www.catholicstudents.org and www.facebook.com/groups/catholicchaplaincy. You can get in touch with Claire, the Chaplain for Brighton at claireosullivan@brighton.ac.uk

Join The Wellspring Community For a Year

Every year we welcome new members to come and walk alongside our community for a year to explore their faith. We offer faith formation based on the Benedictine tradition as well as mission opportunities with young adults. Starts end of August 2021. If you think you or someone you know would be interested please [click here for more info](#) or email admin@wellspringbrighton.org.uk.

GROUPS / MEETINGS

The Monday Zoom Rosary Group

All welcome to join. Please contact the parish office for more info.

Tuesday Rosary

The Tuesday Rosary at St Joseph's church will continue - starting at 06:30 and finishing at 07:10. Doors open at 06:15. We will continue to unite in prayer with Pope Francis, who has requested that in June we pray for young people who are preparing for marriage with the support of a Christian community. And we will continue to pray for world peace, and for all our priests. It would be great if you can manage to join us - if only for one decade.

Tuesday Night Group - 7.30 - 9.00pm on Zoom. All welcome.

On Tuesday evenings at 7:30 we continue our meetings online, to enable us to meet as a friendly community, learn more about our faith, and discuss. This week we will be focussing on the Trinity, and next week on the Mass. Do join our parish community by clicking the zoom link <https://zoom.us/j/96161676521> ID: 961 6167 6521

Alpha - continues this Thursday.

Our new Alpha course continues on **Thursday from 7.30 - 9.00pm**. If you are curious as to what Alpha is all about....come join us - you will be most welcome. Contact: alpha@eastbrightoncatholic.org.uk or 01273 655554

Thursday mornings

Join us from 10am-12pm for a friendly social session of chat and discussion around a topic of our faith. We will be focussing on the Pope's latest publication "Fratelli Tutti". LINK: <https://zoom.us/j/92452001507> ID: 924 5200 1507

Padre Pio Group

Join us at 7pm on Thursday evenings at St Joseph's for Rosary and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

There will be Adoration at St Josephs after 6pm mass on Fridays (from 6:30pm-8:00pm)

Stations of the Light

As we have passed Pentecost, our Friday sessions on Stations of the Light have now finished. You can still watch previous weeks' on our youtube channel.

Lectio Divina - Divine Reading - Fridays 8pm to 9pm Lectio Divina

An invitation to take part in an online Lectio Divina prayer group - from the Benedictine monks in Elm Grove. LINK: <https://zoom.us/j/9232797736> ID: 923 2797 7736

"An Evening with Friends"

An Evening with Friends is back next Wednesday 9th June at 7:30. Join David for chat and time to be together as a community. [Click here for more info](#) LINK:<https://zoom.us/j/97896232496> ID: 978 9623 2496

Mothers Prayers

We are a group of mothers who meet weekly to pray for our children & grandchildren. We have set up a Zoom meeting which enables us to be together spiritually in prayer. Contact Jill O'Rourke 01273 687642 for more info.

Confirmation 2021 - For Candidates and their parents

As lockdown's restrictions ease, we are able to meet together soon and start the Confirmation programme 2021 off. The introductory meeting with candidates and their parents/guardians will be held on Sunday 4th July at St Joseph's Church, after the evening Mass (approx. 6.30pm). The course will begin in September 2021 and is for the candidates already registered only. The Confirmation Mass for this group will take place in November.

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MASS TIMES

Saturday 5th June		
St John the Baptist	6:00pm First Mass of Sunday	Eileen
Sunday 6th June		
THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST		
St John the Baptist	11:00am Mass	People of the Parish
St Joseph's	11:30 Mass (click here to watch)	John Walsh RIP (<i>Anna Walsh</i>)
St Joseph's	5:30 Mass	Henryk Kartowicz RIP
Monday 7th June		
St John the Baptist	10:00am Mass (click here to watch)	Henryk Kartowicz RIP
St Joseph's	No Mass	
Tuesday 8th June		
St John the Baptist	10:00am Mass (click here to watch)	Daniel Domingo Begley's Intentions
St Josephs	6:00pm Mass	Henryk Kartowicz RIP
Wednesday 9th June		
St John the Baptist	10:00am Mass (click here to watch)	Mission of the Parish
St Joseph's	6:00pm Mass	Henryk Kartowicz RIP
Thursday 10th June		
St Joseph's	6:00pm Mass	Henryk Kartowicz RIP
Friday 11th June		
The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus		
St John the Baptist	10:00am Mass (click here to watch)	Canon Rymer RIP (<i>Foundation</i>)
St Joseph's	6:00pm Mass	Henryk Kartowicz RIP
St Joseph's	6:30pm - 8:00pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Saturday 12th June		
The Immaculate Heart of Mary		
St John the Baptist	10:00am Mass (click here to watch)	Henryk Kartowicz RIP
St Joseph's	No Confessions	
St John the Baptist	6:00pm First Mass of Sunday	Enrica & Philip Wedding Anniversary
Sunday 13th June		
ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME		
St John the Baptist	11:00am Mass	Rosario & Nieaela Fernandes RIP (<i>Jose Fernandes</i>)
St Joseph's	11:30am Mass (click here to watch)	Henryk Kartowicz RIP
St Joseph's	5:30pm Mass	People of the Parish

Please pray for the sick of our parish:

Leao Pires, Jose Cabanas, Vivien Appleby, Charles Appleby, Ella O'Driscoll, Clive Coates, Tommy Maher, Dermot O'Hara, Ian Brockwell, Angela Hubert, Maria Rigby, Frank Mansbridge, Patsy Regan, Ray Mason, Patrick Sweeney, Moira Hall, Margaret Lamb, Tony Wallace, Jean Ghazal, Mary Berry, Roy Dadswell, and Christopher Browne.

Those who have died recently, and those whose anniversaries occur around this time.

To be added to the sick list contact the Parish Office. Please contact Fr Kieron or Fr Sebastian if you are going into hospital.

Are you struggling with bereavement or loss? Would it help to have someone to talk to?

Our Deanery has a team of trained Catholic Bereavement Supporters available to listen and support people experiencing bereavement and loss. Please contact your Parish Priest if you would like to speak to one of our team.