



St Joseph's & St John the Baptist

CATHOLIC PARISH EAST BRIGHTON

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

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B) 11th July 2021

Psalter week 3

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 Kieron

Jesus despatches his disciples on mission with the instructions that they are to travel light and not carry anything that might distract them from the job in hand. They are to depend on providence and generosity rather than being preoccupied with how much they can earn.

To most of us, with the possible exception of those who have taken Religious vows, this can seem totally impractical and unworkable. Yet there is symbolic level here which can apply to us all. Travelling light can also mean a state of mind. We can not do the Lord's work if we are carrying the baggage of our past which seems to be weighing us down. We often need to let go and let God.

This is nothing less than an invitation to freedom; to be free from painful memories of the past and anxious worries about the future, so as to live a fruitful life in the present. When we respond to the Joy of the Gospel, we do so with a skip in our step and not a heavy heart.

As summer returns and we get ready to peel our masks off, let's also peel away all that prevents us from getting on with mission !

thank you!

Thank you from our Parish Food Bank!

54 people were supported last week at our Parish food bank. If you can, please bring fresh milk (blue and green top), fresh sliced bread, Special K cereal, fresh fruit and veg. Thank you once again to everyone supporting our

www.eastbrightoncatholic.org.uk

COMING TO CHURCH

Important info about Sunday Masses

Both the 11:00am at St John the Baptist and the 11:30 at St Joseph's are at capacity each week, and we are having to turn some latecomers away— which we really don't want to do. **Please come to the Saturday Evening Vigil 6:00pm at SJB or the 5:30 Sunday Evening Mass at St Joseph's if you can as there is space at these masses.** Thank you!

A reminder of the guidance from the Bishops Conference of England and Wales, and from the Diocese.

Please note the following 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
- Please only attend one Sunday Mass—either Saturday evening or Sunday morning.
- 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
- There is still no Sign of Peace

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 continue to keep everyone safe at Mass.

Thank you as always for your support!

Tea & Coffee after 11:30am mass at St Joseph's

We are once again trialling tea & coffee after the 11.30am Mass at St. Joseph's this week. Cyril and one or two others will serve on Sunday and it will be reviewed as to how it works and if it can continue safely. Drinks will be served outside and we are limited to serving 30 people. Please bring a cup if you want (to minimise handling, you can hold it while its been filled and the servers will add milk/sugar for you if required!)

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.

CCRS - The Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies

The CCRS is beginning again in our Diocese this September. The course is designed for teachers in Catholic schools, for Catechists and for anyone who would like to grow in understanding as they live their Catholic faith. The CCRS offers a very flexible and accessible way of learning, it includes some online content and is made up of eight modules: six core and two specialist modules. Each module involves ten hours of course time and an assignment. For more information or to register your place please [contact our Formation Adviser](#)

The Gatwick Detainees Welfare Group in Crawley—appeal for clothes.

We would be grateful to receive good quality second-hand clothes as follows:

Jeans, waist 30", 32", 33", 34"	Joggers in all sizes	T-shirts in all sizes but especially Medium
Summer jackets in all sizes	Shoes in all sizes (apart from 45)	

People can bring clothes to the office (The Orchard, 1-2 Gleneagles Court, Brighton Road, Crawley, RH10 6AD) during office hours, but it is best to email Josie first to fix a time in case the staff member has to go out: josie@gdwg.org.uk

Hospitality Team Meeting - POSTPONED!

As we are not sure if we will have the full information for the next step out of lockdown before Saturday 17th July we have decided to postpone our Welcomer's meeting until September, We are anticipating some changes after 19th July and we will email the new guidance as soon as we have confirmation from the Diocese. Please think about joining our Welcomers and Hospitality Team - we need a larger team as more people come back to mass. Contact the Parish Office for more information or if you have any queries.

Creativity and Faith

A reminder of this page to the website, with images, prayers and poems by parishioners. See

<https://www.eastbrightoncatholic.org.uk/resources/creativity>

We welcome all new submissions via the office – email eastbrighton@abdiocese.org.uk or give the office a call.

YOUNG ADULTS/STUDENTS

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. Email Claire, the Chaplain for Brighton claireosullivan@brighton.ac.uk

GROUPS / MEETINGS

The Monday Zoom Rosary Group

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

Tuesday Rosary - new time

The Tuesday Rosary at St Joseph's church will continue - we will now start at 06:00 and finishing at 06:40. Doors open at 05:45. It would be great if you can manage to join us - if only for one decade.

Tuesday evenings - Catholic Faith Exploration The Joy of Hope

On the Tuesday evenings in July we are running sessions on The Joy of Hope. The series offers an uplifting and practical insight into the joy of living now with hope in the future blessing of Eternal Life with God in Heaven. Just join in on Tuesdays at 7:30 by clicking this link <https://zoom.us/j/96161676521>

Alpha - continues this Thursday.

Our 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.

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/92327977736> 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.

A note for Grandparents

You may be aware that Sunday 25 July will see the celebration of the First World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. The theme chosen by the Holy Father for this World Day is "I am with you always" (cf. Mt 28:20) which is a way of expressing the closeness of the Lord and the Church to every older person, especially in these challenging pandemic times. Pope Francis has written a beautiful letter which can be found here: [First World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, 2021: "I am with you always" | Francis \(vatican.va\)](#) and there is also a beautiful prayer which has been written to commemorate the day - [click here for the prayer](#) or contact the Parish Office if you would like a copy.

CHANGE OF DATE! Confirmation 2021 - For Candidates and their parents

We have postponed the introductory meeting with the confirmation candidates that are already registered, and their parents/guardians. The meeting **will now be held on Sunday 5th September at St Joseph's church, after 11.30 am Mass**. The course will begin by the end of Sep, and the Confirmation Mass will take place in November 2021. Fr Seb looks forward to seeing you all there!

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MASS TIMES

Saturday 10th July		
St John the Baptist	6:00pm First Mass of Sunday	Thanksgiving (<i>June Szypulski</i>)
Sunday 11th July FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—SEA SUNDAY		
St John the Baptist	11:00am Mass	Patricia & Henry Placzek (<i>Paul Placzek</i>)
St Joseph's	11:30 Mass (click here to watch)	Anna & Asil Karatas - Wedding Anniversary
St Joseph's	5:30 Mass	People of the Parish
Monday 12th July		
St John the Baptist	No Mass	
St Joseph's	No Mass	
Tuesday 13th July		
St John the Baptist	10:00am Mass (click here to watch)	Christine & Jac
St Josephs	No Mass	
Wednesday 14th July		
St John the Baptist	No Mass	
St Joseph's	6:00pm Mass	In thanksgiving for my Nan—Rita Gomez RIP (<i>Nick Fenwick</i>)
Thursday 15th July St Bonaventure		
St Joseph's	6:00pm Mass	Laura & John Morris RIP (<i>Foundation</i>)
Friday 16th July		
St John the Baptist	10:00am Mass (click here to watch)	Nellie Doherty RIP
St Joseph's	No Mass or Adoration	
Saturday 17th July		
St John the Baptist	No Mass	
St Joseph's	11:00am - 11:45am Confessions	
St John the Baptist	6:00pm First Mass of Sunday	Alex Pires RIP (<i>Jennifer & Family</i>)
Sunday 18th July SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME		
St John the Baptist	11:00am Mass	Frances Abwongo RIP (<i>Her Friends at SJB</i>)
St Joseph's	11:30am Mass (click here to watch)	Nole Dolan RIP (<i>The Family</i>)
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, Roy Dadswell, and Christopher Browne.

Those who have died recently especially Frances Abwongo, 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.