



St Joseph's & St John the Baptist

CATHOLIC PARISH EAST BRIGHTON

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

Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (B) 14th November 2021

Psalter week 1

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

You can tell by the words of the Gospel and all the readings, you can tell that the end is near. That's basically the theme: the end is near. In today's Gospel Jesus is not trying to scare you. He's not trying to make it frightening. We all are like a seed that grows and dies. But what Jesus brings is peace, peace beyond telling... He also says: do not be afraid if any tribulation comes... He is close to us and he promises that nothing will happen that he himself will not cover with his love and with his presence. We have an influence on what will happen to our world... We are sent here not to worry, not to worry about armies, not to worry about anything, even not to be worried about being condemned to death. If we are not here to worry, then what are we here for?

We are here to serve, because the Lord serves. He serves us. And the word to all of us is we are to work and to heal and to love and to care, and pay no attention to anything but how to love properly, carefully and well.

And that is what we are here for. Have a peaceful week!

Change to Sunday Mass time at St Joseph's

After much thought and consideration we have decided to change the 11:30am Mass to 11:00am. This will start on the First Sunday of Advent, 28th November 2021.

thank you!

Thank you from our Parish Food Bank!

Please bring fresh milk, fresh fruit, vegetables, eggs & sliced bread if you can.
Thank you to everyone supporting our Food Bank.

New to our Parish? Welcome!

Please fill out a 'New Parishioner Form' available at the back of the Church. You can also email your details to the parish office on eastbrighton@abdiocese.org.uk. See www.eastbrightoncatholic.org.uk for more information about our Parish!

COMING TO CHURCH

Covid update!

Please be mindful of safety measure we have in place. **Please wear a mask, sanitise your hands on arrival and leaving the church, and follow the directions given by the welcomers.**

Please also remember that the 'Please leave a seat' cards are still available, and we can help seat those who want some extra space - please speak to a welcomer if you have any concerns or need some help with finding a bit more space. Another option is to come to one of the evening masses at either church as these are still much quieter at the moment.

- ♦ Wear a mask in Church
- ♦ Sanitise your hands
- ♦ Sign in (NHS QR code or leave your details)

Our welcomers still play a very important part of Mass and ensuring we stay Covid safe. We are very grateful to them. Please continue to follow their directions .

New contactless donation system – trial starting this week!

We are starting a trial for a new online and digital collection plate system for our Parish. You will find our new DIGITAL COLLECTION PLATE, contactless terminal in the church. Just use your contactless debit/credit card or smart phone/ device to make your donation. Simply choose the amount you wish to donate and hold your card onto the reader.



You can also opt-in for Gift Aid to increase your donation by 25%!

If you are a UK taxpayer then donating with Gift Aid means that we can claim an extra 25p for every £1 received. It is so easy to set up - the first time you use a card on this machine you will need to enter your name and address for Gift Aid, and then every time you use that same card all future donations will then be Gift Aided (unless you tell us you're no longer eligible).

Whilst it is easy to set up the Gift Aid donation on the terminal in Church if you want to have this done before coming to mass, you can give a donation online and then use the same card in Church and your Gift Aid will be donated.

Contactless donations are simple to administer, secure and convenient.

Please note! If you are an existing Gift Aid donor, you still need to opt-in for Gift Aid on this system – it is not linked to the envelope or standing order system

Ministry of Consolation

A waiting list is open for those who might consider joining the Ministry of Consolation. If you have a good ear for listening and are you able to support people who are going through a difficult time, you might be interested in joining the Diocesan Ministry of Consolation team of Bereavement Befrienders?

Email simon.south@abdiocese.org.uk for more information and to be added to the waiting list.

CAFOD School Volunteers needed!

Looking for a new challenge? Could you visit schools in your local area to deliver assemblies and workshops about CAFOD's work and encourage young people to take action, fundraise and pray with CAFOD? No experience necessary. Full support, resources and regular training provided. As well as using your skills to help the poorest people in the world volunteers are inspired by young people, it strengthens their faith, develops their communication and presentation skills, plus much more.

If this of interest and you would like more information, please contact either:

Jenny Finlayson, Community Participation Coordinator for A&B Diocese - arundelandbrighton@cafod.org.uk
Tel: 01483 898866 /07710 094448 or **Mike Dean** Education Volunteer Coordinator email: mdean@cafod.org.uk



Can you offer a Reward for our Crowdfunder Campaign?

We are still looking for parishioners who can offer a Reward for our Crowdfunder! A successful Crowdfunder campaign offers "Rewards" to donors – and **we are appealing to parishioners to offer goods, services or experiences that would be attractive Rewards for donations to our project.** You might

run a café and be able to offer a free meal for 2? Or perhaps you work as a beautician and could offer a manicure? You might have green fingers and be able to offer a spring garden makeover? **If you donate a Reward your business will be mentioned on Crowdfunder page – some good publicity for your business too! Win-win!** If you think you could help, or have any queries, please contact AnnMarie in the Parish office.

Keep an eye out next week for the launch date of the Crowdfunder for an opportunity to donate!

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

Monday Zoom Rosary Group Everyone is welcome to join our Rosary by Zoom at 4pm on Monday's. Please contact the parish office for more info and for the link.

Tuesday Morning Rosary at St John the Baptist 9:15 - 9:55am in time for Mass. You are very welcome to join us!

Tuesday Evening We are continuing our well-reviewed video course on the challenging topic of unanswered prayer. Join us online at 7:30 on <https://zoom.us/j/9616167652> ID: 961 6167 6521

Wednesday Evening Perpetual Novena Every Wednesday at 5:30pm at SJB Church

Thursday mornings Join us from 10am-12pm for a friendly social session of chat and discussion around a topic of our faith. 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 & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

The Chaplet of The Divine Mercy will be recited at 9:30am on Fridays at SJB. You are warmly invited to join us.

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 info.

Lectio Divina Every Friday at 8pm 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

SCHOOLS

St Joseph's School

Another busy and exciting week at St Joseph's Catholic Primary School. Our week started last Sunday in church with Bishop Richard celebrating my Headteacher Induction Service (not my coronation – as one child thought!). We hope you enjoyed our singing! If you did, please come along to our Carol Service on Wednesday 15th December at 6pm. Last official Open Day –Thursday 18th November 4pm start. This popular event provides visitors with the chance to explore every aspect of life at St Joseph's Catholic Primary and discover what we can offer your child to ensure they make the best progress possible within our supportive, caring, challenging and stimulating environment.

Gill Foan, Headteacher

St John the Baptist School

We have had a busy week of school trips, Year 4 visited Brighton Museum for a Stone Age workshop, Year 5 visited Preston Manor all dressed in Victorian costume and years 1 and 2 walked to Whitehawk Library, to map their route and share a story. Look out for photographs on our school website.

<https://www.stjohn.brighton-hove.sch.uk/>

OPEN DAYS (for new families) St John the Baptist Catholic Primary School, Whitehawk Hill Road,

Tour dates: - Tuesday 16th November 2pm

Or if you cannot make this day, we are happy to arrange an alternative day/time on request.

<https://www.stjohn.brighton-hove.sch.uk/reception-class-2020>

Tina Davidson, Headteacher.

Confirmation—apply by Monday 15th November!

Confirmation is one of the three Sacraments of Christian Initiation, along with Baptism and the Eucharist. Most of us were Baptised as babies or infants, and then made our First Communion as young children. Young adults are invited to become fully adult members of the Church by receiving the Holy Spirit and publicly confirming their commitment to be active followers of Jesus Christ. This is a serious commitment and involves a programme of preparation meetings and activities over many months. But like anything that brings great returns, it's worth the effort!

Apply by 15th November! [Click here to apply for this year's programme](#), or contact the Parish Office with queries.

Calling All Servers - fancy going bowling?

All servers are invited to bowling and a meal, next Sunday 21st November in the afternoon (times to be confirmed). Contact Fr Seb or AnnMarie in the Parish Office to book your place by tomorrow, Monday, 15th November.

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MASS TIMES

Saturday 13th November		
St John the Baptist	6:00pm First Mass of Sunday	Teresa Pires RIP
Sunday 14th November	THIRTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	
St John the Baptist	11:00am Mass	Joseph Joseph RIP (<i>Sheena Antony</i>)
St Joseph's	11:30 Mass (click here to watch)	Mark Edward Pacey
St Joseph's	5:30 Mass	People of the Parish
Monday 15th November		
St John the Baptist	10:00am Mass	Winifred 'Wyn' Jeffery (<i>The Jeffery Family</i>)
St Joseph's	6:00pm Mass	Holy Souls
Tuesday 16th November		
St John the Baptist	10:00am Mass	Joan Jennings (<i>Helen Symmons</i>)
St Josephs	6:00pm Mass	Benjamin Wickham RIP (<i>Foundation</i>)
Wednesday 17th November		
St John the Baptist	10:00am Mass	Mission of the Parish
St Joseph's	6:00pm Mass	Louis Anthony Gordon RIP (<i>Foundation</i>)
Thursday 18th November		
St Joseph's	6:00pm Mass	John Walsh RIP
Friday 19th November		
St John the Baptist	10:00am Mass	Mgr Canon Johnston RIP (<i>Foundation</i>)
St Joseph's	6:00pm Mass	Deceased relatives & friends of Parishioners
St Joseph's	6:30pm—8:00pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Confessions	
Saturday 20th November		
St John the Baptist	10:00am Mass	Kenny Family
St Joseph's	11:00am—11:45am Confessions	
St John the Baptist	6:00pm First Mass of Sunday	Pat Duffy
Sunday 21st November	CHRIST THE KING	
St John the Baptist	11:00am Mass	People of the Parish
St Joseph's	11:30am Mass (click here to watch)	Eric Jeffs RIP (<i>Celia Webster</i>)
St Joseph's	5:30pm Mass	Veronica Kearney RIP (<i>Carmel Stevenson</i>)

Mass Intentions

The greatest gift you can give a loved one, deceased or living, is the Sacrifice of the Holy Mass. You can arrange a mass by contacting the Parish Office, or collecting a Mass Intention envelope from the back of either of the churches.

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 & Irma Mansbridge, Patsy Regan, Ray Mason, Patrick Sweeney, Moira Hall, Margaret Lamb, Tony Wallace, Jean Ghazal, Roy Dadswell, Pat Healy, Sarah Moriarty, Fred Pearson, Aileen Bramwell and Phil McGrandles.

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.