



St Joseph's & St John the Baptist

CATHOLIC PARISH EAST BRIGHTON

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

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B) 7th July 2024

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 Kieron

By the time you read this, one way or another we will have a new government in this country. Whatever the outcome of the election we should pray for those who hold public office and where appropriate, thank them for their service, but we cannot sit back and let government happen around us as though we are powerless to make a difference. One aspect of our Christian calling is prophecy; at our Baptism we were anointed as *priest, prophet and King* and the First reading and Gospel this Sunday speak to us of prophecy. Ezekiel is sent to the rebels of Israel, regardless of whether they will listen or not and in the Gospel, Jesus himself meets scorn and rejection from his own people, remarking that *a prophet is only despised in his own country*.

Prophecy involves having a heart for what is just and right and the courage to speak truth to power when we see injustice and the degradation of Human Rights. So we have a Christian duty to hold Civil authorities to account when it comes to issues of morality such as the right to Life, welcoming refugees, affordable housing, development goals and climate change.

Our Parish, along with Cardinal Newman School, is a member of the local chapter of *Citizens UK*, a broad based community organising alliance which across our city has already championed successful campaigns around the Real Living Wage and Teenage Mental Health provision. Along with our partners from a wide cross section of faith-based, education and community organisations, we will continue to work for positive change in line with the principles of Catholic Social Teaching - which are of course, the principles of the Gospel.

We are not called to be armchair prophets, but those who will actually take action to move our city and our nation a little closer to the values of God's Kingdom.



Sea Sunday—Second Collection next weekend

Seafarers and fishers play a vital role in all of our lives, but they often work in difficult, hazardous conditions. Sea Sunday is Sunday 14th July. It is when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Your support will make a big difference to seafarers and fishers in need. You can donate in church, by visiting www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate, or by texting 'SEA' to 70460 to donate £5. This collection is vital to enable Stella Maris to continue its important work, so please give generously. Thank you.

Eucharistic Healing Service Sunday 7th July 3pm – 4.30pm

A time of prayer, reflection and music.

Praying for the healing of our families, for those we know in need and for ourselves.

Please note: due to the temporary closure of St Mary Magdalen the healing service will take place at **St Peter's church, Hove**.

Farewell lunch for Yemi, Remi, Fikayo, William and Alex

The St Joseph's Community bids farewell to Yemi, Remi, Fikayo, William and Alex on Sunday 7th July as they leave the UK for Texas, USA! Remi and Fikayo have been very active members of our music team including the singing of the Psalms and will be sorely missed. William has faithfully served on the altar at 11.00 Mass and the community will miss his excellent service. No one swings a thurible quite like William! We will miss all the family and our prayers and good wishes go with them.

[Join us for coffee and a farewell lunch in the hall after the 11.00 Mass. Please bring a dish to share.](#)

Fundraising Officer for the Diocese of Arundel & Brighton

The latest career opportunity is on the Diocesan website W: <https://www.abdiocese.org.uk/careers> To find out more about the role please see the attached Job Description or contact the Head of Communications E: communications@abdiocese.org.uk. Closing date is 16th July.

Marriage Anniversaries Mass – Saturday 12 October 11.30am at Arundel Cathedral

Bishop Richard will celebrate Mass followed by a drinks reception. Please join us for a wonderful opportunity to renew your wedding vows and revel in the joy that marriage can bring. Family and friends are very welcome. To book your place click here: [Marriage Anniversaries Mass \(12-Oct-2024\) · ChurchSuite Events](#) or book through the Diocesan website

You can also find out about, and book events hosted by the Diocese, through the Diocesan website events calendar W: <https://www.abdiocese.org.uk/diocese/events>

The Diocese sends out a weekly E-Bulletin newsletter which includes Bishop Richard's Weekly Reflection, and details of formation and events taking place across the Diocese and our wider Catholic community. Please click on the link to sign up mailchi.mp/7529e811ae63/joinourlist – it's a great way to stay in touch!



Sanctuary on Sea City of Sanctuary

Looking for private rented accommodation to support our

Brighton & Hove City Council is looking for suitable affordable private accommodation to support refugees participating in national resettlement schemes, including hosted guests from Homes for Ukraine. Our aim is to provide all refugees with the opportunity to live independently and thrive as they rebuild their lives. We are especially focussed on offering sustainable private housing options, particularly for families with children attending local schools or individuals wanting to settle in our city. Ideally, we're looking for self-contained housing or lodging rooms available for a minimum of one year with rent within the local housing allowance rates. Working with Brighton & Hove City Council, you get the benefits of collaborating with our experienced housing team, including direct rents to the landlord, a personalised tenancy matching service, accompanied viewings and a generous sign up thank you payment. Landlords will also be supporting the resettlement of our resourceful refugee community. Whether you're a new or experienced landlord, we'd love to hear from you, especially if you have a vacant property within the Brighton & Hove area. To find out more or have an informal chat, please email Refugeehelp@brightonhove.gov.uk or call 07887 508163.

Parish Food Bank - have you any spare carrier bags?

The Parish foodbank is open from the SJB presbytery (front office) from 11am-12pm. We are still asking for donations from parishioners to be brought to Sunday mass: eggs, fresh fruit and veg, general food bank supplies (tins etc) **and strong carrier bags urgently needed** if you have some to spare! Thank you!

Parish Safeguarding for the Young or Vulnerable

If you have concerns for someone you know or need advice or help yourself, please call the Diocesan Safeguarding Co-ordinator, Angela McGrory in confidence on 01293651148 or email one of the Parish Safeguarding Rep's: Linda Evans, St Josephs sg1.eastbrighton@abdiocese.org.uk & Julia Murray Logue, SJB sg2.eastbrighton@abdiocese.org.uk

YOUNG ADULTS/STUDENTS

A very warm welcome to any new students joining us this week!

Deep Waters is our Students and Young Adults group, and we meet on Wednesdays 6:45pm at the basement of 6 Wellington Road (next to St Joseph's church) for food, talk, prayer and social. **Our last meet before the Summer holidays is Wednesday 17th July.** We also meet for Sunday lunch following the 11am St Joseph's Mass - you are warmly invited to join us. Look out for other young adults at the coffee after Mass & we can show you where to come.

We look forward to meeting you! For more info you can join our facebook group www.facebook.com/groups/deepwatersbrighton or email Claire on claireosullivan@brighton.ac.uk.

GROUPS / MEETINGS

Mothers Prayers - We are a group of mothers meeting on Monday's at 5pm on zoom. For info contact the parish office.

Tuesday Evenings 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 Morning Group From 10am-12pm for discussion, learning & friendship. <https://zoom.us/j/92452001507>

Padre Pio Group Join us at 6:30pm, Thursday evenings at St Joseph's for Rosary & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

**MONKS
IN THE CITY**

The monks of Worth Abbey living in the city invite you to join them.

Join the monks for Prayer in **St John the Baptist's Church:**

Lauds (Morning Prayer): Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri, Sat - **9am**

Vespers (Evening Prayer): Mon, Tues, Wed - **6pm**

Changes to LECTIO DIVINA for the Summer: Wednesday in July (8-9 pm), Lectio will then take a break in August and will return on Wednesday 4th September. [Join online here](#) or see our website

MIDDAY STILLNESS Every Friday, 12noon to 1pm, an hour of music, prayer and reflection at SJB

We now have a Monks in the City website: <https://www.monksinthecity.uk/> Still under development but information up to date.

SCHOOLS

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School Davey Dr, Brighton BN1 7BF

The past few weeks have been incredibly busy and filled with wonderful activities and experiences for our children. Here's a glimpse of what we've been up to: Our Year 6 children enjoyed an exciting residential trip to Windmill Hill, packed with high-adrenaline activities. Despite little sleep, their large appetites for adventure never waned. The children were a pleasure to take away, demonstrating determination, resilience, perseverance, good sportsmanship, and respect at all times. Our Year 5/6 sports team competed at the B&H Withdean Stadium. Some children returned proudly wearing medals, but all showed incredible perseverance, determination, resilience, and good sportsmanship. I had the pleasure of accompanying our Year 4 choir to Worth Abbey for a special celebration themed around The Year of Prayer. Each school was invited to create a representation of The Lord's Prayer in different languages spoken by their community. Our children presented a multi-language adaptation of "Our Daily Bread" to our Bishop, showcasing our diverse school community. Thank you for your continued support and interest in our school activities. We look forward to more exciting events and learning opportunities in the coming weeks!

Many Blessings, Gillian Foan Headteacher



This Sunday we have the last of our of First Holy Communion celebrations at the 11am masses at St Joseph's

We wish the First Holy Communion Children joy, happiness and all of God's blessings for their special day!

Baby & Toddler meet up!

A few parents with babies/toddlers have begun getting together regularly, usually on a Monday afternoon, in a local park or St Joseph's Hall. If you would be interested in joining us or being added to a whatsapp chat about meetups, please drop Claire an email at cosullivan@wellspringbrighton.org.uk

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MASS TIMES

Saturday 6th July		
St John the Baptist	6:00pm Vigil Mass of Ss Peter & Paul	People of the Parish
Sunday 7th July		
Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time		
St John the Baptist	11:00am with Children's Liturgy	The Baletic's (<i>Jack Murphy</i>)
St Joseph's	11:00am First Holy Communion Mass	For the Children and their families
St John the Baptist	4:00pm Adoration with Evening Prayer	
St Joseph's	5:30pm Mass	Phil Fenwick Intentions (<i>Chris Payne</i>)
Monday 8th July		
St John the Baptist	9:30am Mass	Francis DeSouza - for his health (<i>Celia Pires</i>)
Tuesday 9th July		
St John the Baptist	9:30am Mass	Christine Connell - get well
St Joseph's	6:00pm Mass	Rev George Tatum RIP (<i>Foundation</i>)
Wednesday 10th July		
St John the Baptist	9:30am Mass	Mai Foley RIP
St Joseph's	6:00pm Mass	Jean Ghazal's intentions
Thursday 11th July		
St Benedict		
St Joseph's	6:00pm Mass	Henry & Patricia Placzek (<i>Paul Placzek</i>)
Friday 12th July		
St John the Baptist	9:30am Mass	For the Pastoral Plan
St Joseph's	6:00pm Mass	J Tierney RIP (<i>Foundation</i>)
Saturday 13th July		
St John the Baptist	9:30am Mass followed by Confessions	Tommy Ryan's intentions
St Joseph's	11:00am—11:45am Confessions	
St John the Baptist	6:00pm First Mass of Sunday	John O'Grady RIP (<i>Hartnett Family</i>)
Sunday 14th July		
Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Sea Sunday		
St John the Baptist	11:00am Mass with Children's Liturgy	Joan Fitzgerald (<i>J Mashera</i>)
St Joseph's	11:00am Mass with Children's Liturgy	Amelia Mascarenhas RIP (<i>Celia Pires</i>)
St John the Baptist		
4:00pm Adoration and Evening Prayer		
St Joseph's	5:30pm Mass	People of the Parish

Sunday Mass at the Royal Sussex Hospital.

Fr Celestine will celebrate Sunday mass at 2pm in The Sanctuary, Level 6, in the Louisa Martindale Building.

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 Fr Kieron if you would like to speak to one of our team.

Please pray for the sick of our parish:

Maria Rigby, Moira Hall, Tony Wallace, Agnes Manyingwa, Jean Small, Yenna VanHannover, Ann Callaghan, Tommy Maher, Claire Ashenden, Ewa Knebloch-Kozłowska, Barbara Garlington, Mary Howes, Phil McGrandles, Gordon Murray, Ian Tinlin, Marie Clare, Sue Bonner, Martin Reynolds, Toni Bonner, Chris Pedroza, Shannon Grewal, Josephine Thomas, Janet Alan, Maura Hier, Jayveer Grewal, Peter Powell, Molly Sullivan, Anthony Price and Frank Dsouza.

Those who have died recently especially Rosemary Reilly and those whose anniversaries occur around this time. To be added to the sick list contact the Parish Office. Please contact Fr Kieron if you are going into hospital.