



St Joseph's & St John the Baptist

CATHOLIC PARISH EAST BRIGHTON

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

Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (B) 1st September 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 Aidan



SEASON OF CREATION

Summer is drawing to a close - what summer you may ask? Our weather patterns have certainly changed. The long hot summers some of us can still remember are a thing of the past. We lurch from brief hot spells to days of torrential rain.

We cannot rely on the seasons anymore. This is only too clearly a sign of climate change. Elsewhere in the world the extremes are far greater and with far greater and more disastrous consequences.

This Sunday, 1st September, is World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation. Pope Francis' message for this day is "**Hope and Act with Creation**". With the assistance of the Holy Spirit we seek to live "a life that becomes a song of **love for God, for humanity, with and for creation**, and that finds its fullness in holiness.

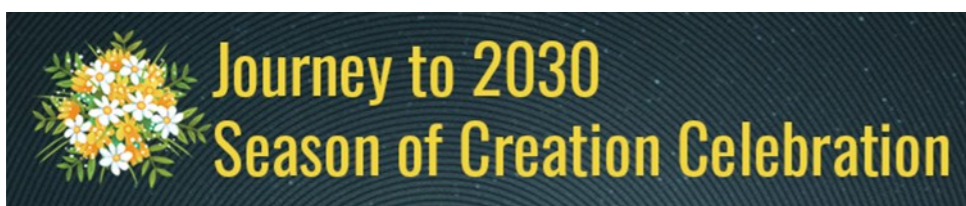
Sunday is the start of the **Season of Creation** (until 4th October, the Feast of St Francis of Assisi). This "time for creation" offers, in the words of Pope Francis, "individual believers and communities a fitting opportunity to reaffirm their personal vocation to be stewards of creation. You can find out more here www.seasonofcreation.org.

Two steps I invite you to take:

In Brighton, Sun 15th Sept, join a **Climate Change pilgrimage**, 12:45 to 4pm (details inside)

In A&B Wed 4th Sept, **Journey 2030** 6 to 7pm webinar to start the Season of Creation :

[Journey to 2030 - Season of Creation Catch-up](#) | [Microsoft Teams](#) | [Meet-up-join](#)



CHILDREN & FAMILIES



First Holy Communion and First Reconciliation

During September we are taking applications from families who wish to prepare their children for the sacraments of First Holy Communion & First Reconciliation.

Children should be in Year 3 or older. The programme is intended to support parents and carers to develop the skills to raise children in the faith and to nurture a relationship with God within the family. The preparation consists of attendance at Sunday mass with special children's liturgies, and family sessions which take place once a month on Saturday mornings at the Fitzherbert Community Hub. At least one parent or carer needs to attend with the child or children.

[Please click here to fill in the application form](#)

Please note: you will need to register on the Parish Database if you have not done so already.

For further information please contact Julia Wingfield on families.eastbrighton@abdiocese.org.uk.

An Invitation to Baptism

A Baptism preparation course for parents and carers who wish to have their children baptised is starting on 15th September, preparing for baptism in the parish in November.

For more information contact Julia Wingfield on families.eastbrighton@abdiocese.org.uk or [click here to fill in the application form](#) and we will be in touch!



EVENTS IN OUR DIOCESE

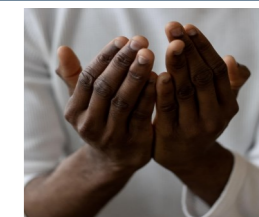
Eucharistic Healing Service Sunday 8th September 3pm - 4.15pm

St Peter's church, Portland Road, Hove.

A time of prayer, reflection and music.

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

All welcome.



Catholic Singles - Games Night with a Difference! Sat 5 October 7.30-11pm in Crawley

The Diocese is hosting a singles event for young adults (20-40 somethings) where you can meet like-minded people, chat and mingle over food, and play some giant games as a way to break the ice!

E: lizzie.wakeling@abdiocese.org.uk for more details.

Animal Blessing Service at Arundel Cathedral Saturday 5 October at 2.30pm



Pets, animals and people are warmly invited to join Bishop Richard at Arundel Cathedral for our popular annual Animal Blessing Service. There is no need to book - tea will be available at the Cathedral Centre after the service.



Christian Climate Action Brighton Christian Climate Action Restore Nature Now Pilgrimage Sunday 15th September Meet at St Lukes, 64 Old Shoreham Rd at 12.45pm Ends at Friends Meeting House at about 3.30pm (but tea & cake until 4.30pm) All faiths and none are welcome to join this RESTORE NATURE NOW pilgrimage

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.

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 and we can show you where to come.

For more info you can join our whatsapp chat - for details email Claire on claireosullivan@brighton.ac.uk.

We look forward to meeting you!

GROUPS / MEETINGS

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


Praise and Worship Group—Tuesday evenings from 7-8pm. 6 Wellington Road - all are welcome. Email Melissa for more information melissajgreener@gmail.com

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.



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**


LECTIO DIVINA will take a break in August and returns on Wed 4th September.

Monks in the City Season 4 - Dates for your diary

SATURDAY SANCTUARY
A morning of fellowship, reflection, prayer & silence 10:10am-12:10pm.
14 Sep, 22 Oct 2 Nov 7 Dec 7 Dec is an Advent Day of Reflection 10:10am - 4pm

MONKS TALKS 6pm evening prayer, 6:30 simple supper, 7pm talk. Meet in St John the Baptist Church.
24 Sep - 'Praying with Lectio' / 22 Oct 'Praying with Meditation' / 19 Nov 'Praying with Icons'

MIDDAY STILLNESS
An hour of music, prayer and reflection in St John the Baptist Church.
Every Friday from 12 Sep to 13 Dec



www.monksinthecity.uk

Back to School!
It's hard to believe it's that time again, isn't it? Our Parish Schools are returning to school this week. We hope all the staff and families had an enjoyable and restful summer. Wishing everyone a successful and fulfilling term ahead!

"Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world on fire."
St Catherine of Siena



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

Bly has won Bronze!
We are thrilled to see that BTTC player & Cardinal Newman student Bly Twomey has won her first Olympic Medal - a bronze in the WD14 event and becoming Great Britain's youngest Paralympic table tennis medalist! Well done Bly!

CONTACT DETAILS

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families.eastbrighton@abdiocese.org.uk

Parish Office (Mon, Wed & Fri, 9:30 -13:00)

Email: eastbrighton@abdiocese.org.uk

MASS TIMES

Saturday 31st August		
St John the Baptist	6:00pm First Mass of Sunday	Mitch O'Grady RIP (<i>Maria & friends</i>)
Sunday 1st September		
Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation		
St John the Baptist	11:00am Mass	Assis De Souza RIP (<i>C Pires</i>)
St Joseph's	11:00am Mass	People of the Parish
St John the Baptist	4:00pm Adoration with Evening Prayer	
St Joseph's	5:30pm Mass	Rosemary Reilly RIP
Monday 2nd September		
St John the Baptist	9:30am Mass	For our Clergy
Tuesday 3rd September		
St Gregory the Great		
St John the Baptist	9:30am Mass	Kosi & Sarah (<i>Irene</i>)
St Joseph's	6:00pm Mass	Ernest George Elliott RIP (<i>Foundation</i>)
Wednesday 4th September		
St John the Baptist	9:30am Mass	Celebrant's Intentions
St Joseph's	6:00pm Mass	Pastoral Plan of the Diocese
Thursday 5th September		
St Joseph's	6:00pm Mass	Celebrant's Intentions
Friday 6th September		
St John the Baptist	9:30am Mass	For academic success & employment (<i>Irene</i>)
St Joseph's	6:00pm Mass	Celebrant's Intentions
Saturday 7th September		
St John the Baptist	9:30am Mass followed by Confessions	Celebrant's Intentions
St Joseph's	11:00am - 11:45am Confessions	
St John the Baptist	6:00pm First Mass of Sunday	Colette Worne RIP (<i>Jackie & Simon Keane</i>)
Sunday 8th September		
Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Education Sunday		
St John the Baptist	11:00am Mass	Helen Symmons—Intentions
St Joseph's	11:00am Mass	Dianne Cristelle RIP (<i>Maguy</i>)
St John the Baptist	4:00pm Adoration and Evening Prayer	
St Joseph's	5:30pm Mass	People of the Parish

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-Kozlowska, 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, Frank Dsouza, Mark Warner and José Luis Cabanas.

Those who have died recently especially Jeremiah Dermot Whelan, Christopher McDonnell 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.