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PARISH BULLETIN

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HAPPY GRANDY PARENTS DAY

Lord Jesus,

you were born of the Virgin Mary.
the daughter of Saints Joachim and Anne.
Look with love on grandparents the world over.
Protect them! They are a source of enrichment for families, for the Church and for all of society.
Support them as they grow older.
May they continue to be for their families strong pillars of Gospel faith, guardians of noble domestic ideals, living treasuries of sound religious traditions.
Make them teachers of wisdom and courage, that they may pass on to future generations the fruits of their mature human and spiritual experience. Lord Jesus, help families and society to value the presence and role of grandparents.

May they never be ignored or excluded, but always encounter respect and love. Help them to live serenely and to feel welcomed in all the years of life which you give them. Mary, Mother of all the living, keep grandparents constantly in your care, accompany them on their earthly pilgrimage, and by your prayers, grant that all families may one day be reunited in our heavenly homeland, where you await all humanity for the great embrace of life without end. Amen

Saints Anne and Joachim, the Grandparents of Jesus. Pray for us.

Thank you to all our Grandparents and Elderly on this special day.

-Pope Benedict XVI Prayer for Grandparents

Church Volunteering:

Building a Community of Selfless Supporters

Dear Parishioners,

The Scripture calls us to serve in God's name by using our talents to benefit others. "Each of you should use whatever gift you have

received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms." (1 Peter 4:10) Volunteering in the church benefits members of the congregation and the church itself. Church volunteers perform tasks that the staff doesn't have the capacity or skills to accomplish.

We are fortunate to have many volunteers in our parish who give their time and effort to a variety of parish activities. Please take a look through our Parish Groups & Activities and if there is an area in which you would be interested to volunteer, please contact the Parish Office for more information.

Currently, we are seeking volunteers for various Ministries at St. Joseph's, such as: Filing • Data Entry • Counting • Social Media Management • Welcome Ministry Coordinator • Event Managers (Christmas Bazaar, Bring and Share Lunch, etc.) • Catechists • Youth Ministers

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact the Parish Office. Your support and contribution will be greatly appreciated. Thank you for considering volunteering your time and talents to serve in our parish.

Blessings.

My Favourite Hymn!

Our hymns are carefully selected to resonate with the prayers, readings, and sermons of the day, creating a

tapestry of familiar classics and new additions. We welcome your hymn requests, as they add a personal touch to our worship. Check out the Laudate hymnals in our pews and feel free to email your requests to lorraineredmond@gmail.com. Let's create a symphony of faith, gratitude, and love together.

RCIA



Are you seeking a deeper connection with your faith? Have you been wondering about Baptism, Confirmation, or simply learning more about the Catholic Faith? If so, we invite you to take the next step on your journey with RCIA, The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. Please reach out to us at rcia.joseph@gmail.com to learn more and take that next step towards spiritual growth and fulfilment.





Exciting News for Our Parish Community!

Dear Beloved Parishioners, We are thrilled to announce a wonderful opportunity to stay connected with all the happenings at St. Joseph's Highgate!

Never miss our Parish Newsletter again! For your convenience, you can now have it emailed directly to your inbox every week. Simply visit our Parish Website at (http://stjosephshighgate.org.uk) and click on the 'Subscribe' button.

By subscribing, you'll receive all the latest updates, heartwarming reflections, and our thoughtfully prepared Home Worship Materials. It's the perfect way to stay involved and spiritually nourished, no matter where you are.

Read all about what is happening at St. Joseph's and embrace the beautiful journey we share together as a faith community. Thank you for being an integral part of our parish family. We look forward to sharing this enriching experience with you!

With blessings and warm

The St. Joseph's Parish Team

regards,

Invitation to Join the Acolyte Ministry - Altar Servers

Dear Parents and Children,

As you celebrate your First Communion this weekend, we invite you to consider an exciting opportunity to serve our faith community in a special way by becoming an Acolyte at St. Joseph's Church. This is a wonderful chance



to deepen your faith, participate in our worship services, and connect with others in our parish.

As an Acolyte, your duties may include assisting the priest and other ministers, carrying the cross, lighting candles, and helping prepare the altar for communion. No previous experience is required, and there is no age limit — we will provide all the training and preparation you need. Here are some reasons why you might be excited to join this ministry:

- o Serve at the Altar: Engage more fully in our worship services and offer your gifts to God.
- o Grow in Faith: Enhance your understanding of our liturgy and traditions while growing in your relationship with God.
- Build Community: Connect with other Acolytes and ministers, forming lasting friendships and mutual support in your faith journey.
- Make a Difference: Help create a beautiful and meaningful worship experience for our community.

We hope you will consider joining this ministry and sharing your gifts with God and our parish. If you are interested, please contact the parish office for more information.

With joy and blessings,

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Thank you to all who contributed to last weekend's collection. Your generosity helps us continue to serve and build God's Kingdom. Together, we can make a difference in the world. Thank you for your support and may God bless you abundantly. Last weekend's collection amounted to £1357. Thank you very much.

WASS INTENTIONS

Do you have a special occasion coming up, such as a birthday or anniversary, that you would like to celebrate for a



friend or loved one? Or are you in need of comfort and support after the loss of a loved one?

You can have a Mass intention said for a person on these special occasions or for specific intentions. Simply grab a Mass Intention Envelope and notate the date of the Mass intention. If you prefer, you can also call or email the office to make your request.

This is a beautiful and meaningful way to pay tribute to loved ones and to lift up special intentions in prayer. Thank you for your support and participation in our parish community.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK BEGINNING 28 July 2024

"I would be disobeying the LORD if I stopped praying for you!" 1 Sam. 12:23

Sat, 27 Jul 2024	07.00 pm	Devitt Family	Intentions
Sun, 28 Jul 2024	08.00 am	John Harrington	Lately Dead
	10.00 am	Missa PP	Intentions
	12 noon	Eileen McNulty, Chris Albani	Lately Dead
	07.00 pm	Passionist Mass Guild	Intentions
Mon, 29 Jul 2024	09.30 am	Celine	Intentions
	06.30 pm	Passionist Mass Guild	Intentions
Tue, 30 Jul 2024	09.30 am	Claire Burke	Sick
	06.30 pm	Passionist Mass Guild	Intentions
Wed, 31 Jul 2024	09.30 am	Passionist Mass Guild	Intentions
	06.30 pm	Lizzie	Intentions
Thu, 01 Aug 2024	09.30 am	Passionist Mass Guild	Intentions
	06.30 pm	Caroline Marie O'Shea	Lately Dead
Fri, 02 Aug 2024	09.30 am	Deborah and Adrian Downes	Intentions
	06.30 pm	Passionist Mass Guild	Intentions
Sat, 03 Aug 2024	09.30 am	Late Eileen Devitt	Birthday

Mass Intentions get fully booked for several weeks ahead. If you would like a Mass said on a particular date or anniversary it is advisable to request it in good time.



