



# ST. JOSEPH'S HIGHGATE

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## PARISH BULLETIN

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## Peace Keeping Force

In John 14:23-29, Jesus speaks of the peace He leaves with us—a peace unlike what the world offers. This reflects the idea that true peace comes from love, understanding, and doing good. In the world of Star Wars, the Jedi strive for peace and justice, using their powers for good. Similarly, in our world, we are called to work towards justice and goodness.

Just like the Jedi, we face a struggle between good and evil, both around us and within us. Yoda's words remind us that fear can lead us down a dark path, just as Jesus reminds us to let our hearts not be troubled or fearful. Fear can lead to anger and hate, but when we follow Jesus' teaching of love, we find true peace.

In our journey, we must recognize that we all have the potential to choose compassion over harm. Even when faced with setbacks, like the Jedi against the Sith, we must continue to strive for good, knowing that peace and justice require ongoing effort and self-awareness. As we embrace Jesus' words, let us be guided by love rather than fear, working towards a world where peace and justice flourish. May we always choose to use our "force" for good.



## Parish Centre Manager

### *Join Our Community: Become the Heart of St Joseph's!*

Are you ready to make a real impact in the Highgate community? St Joseph's Parish is seeking a dedicated and enthusiastic Parish Centre Manager to breathe life into our Parish Centre. This is a unique opportunity to be at the centre of community activities, ensuring our space is welcoming, well-organized, and thriving.

### **Why This Role?**

As a Parish Centre Manager, you will be the driving force behind the operation of our vibrant community hub. You'll coordinate bookings, manage events, and oversee the smooth running of our Centre. Your role is crucial in maintaining an inclusive, safe, and professional venue that supports parish groups, private hirers, and commercial clients alike.

### **What We Offer:**

- Engaging work in a part-time position (21 hours/week) at £15,834 per annum.
- A 12-month fixed-term contract with the potential for permanence.
- The chance to develop both venue and community service skills.

### **Who We're Looking For:**

A highly organized individual with a knack for property maintenance and event management. Strong interpersonal skills are essential, as you'll liaise with a wide range of individuals, all while supporting the mission of the Catholic Church.

### **Ready to Apply?**

Explore full details and how to apply on the Diocese of Westminster HR page.

<https://jobs.rcdow.org.uk/parish-centre-manager-highgate/>

Don't miss your chance to contribute meaningfully to the Highgate community—apply by 12pm, Tuesday 27 May 2025!

*Make a difference. Join us at St Joseph's.*







# Thanks a Million

I would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to each and every one of you for making our St. Joseph's Day Bring and Share Lunch a tremendous success. Your generosity and kindness in bringing an amazing variety of delicious dishes created an atmosphere of joy and fellowship that truly resonated with the spirit of our community.

Just as in the Biblical miracle, your abundance turned our gathering into a joyful feast, multiplying the happiness shared among us all. It is through your generous hearts that we were able to experience such a blessed day together. May the blessings of St. Joseph be with you all, bringing abundance and grace into your lives.



We are profoundly grateful for your generous

contributions to Holy Week's collection, totalling an impressive £1262. Your kindness and support empower us to serve and nurture God's Kingdom. Together, we make a significant impact on our community and beyond. May God's blessings shower upon you and your loved ones. Thank you sincerely for your support.

## Chrysalis Talk Series:

Friday, 20 June, at 7:30 pm

"Orthodoxy and Heresy: Writing the History of the Church and the Papacy in the Reformation period,"

Dr. Stefan Bauer

We warmly invite you to join us in the Red Room on Friday, 20 June, at 7:30 pm for an enlightening journey through the Papacy with Dr. Stefan Bauer. In the wake of Pope Francis's passing and the election of Pope Leo XIV, this timely talk, entitled "Orthodoxy and Heresy: Writing the History of the Church and the Papacy in the Reformation period," promises to offer profound insights into the enduring battles between truth and falsehood within the Church's history.

Dr. Bauer will unravel the intricacies of orthodoxy—meaning "of the right opinion"—and how its definition has shaped religious discourse since Late Antiquity. During the Reformation period, marked by Martin Luther's transformative actions in 1517, both Catholics and Protestants wielded historical narratives as weapons to assert their legitimacy. Dr. Bauer will guide us through this fascinating era, illuminating how historical findings were selectively embraced to bolster deeply held beliefs. Join us for an evening of reflection and discovery.

## Mass 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.

## Children's Liturgy

Our mission is to serve God and His people of St. Joseph's by helping children to engage meaningfully in the Liturgy, thus beginning a lifelong practice of praying, learning, and celebrating at Mass. During the 10am Mass, children will be dropped off and signed in and the children will return to mass, after the homily, for the Liturgy of The Eucharist.

During this time, we will unpack the Gospel and Mass for children ages 4-7 years old.

Please contact our Children's Liturgy Coordinators for registration: Jenny Buckley [jenbuckley@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:jenbuckley@hotmail.co.uk) or Sara Zmertych [sara.zmertych@gmail.com](mailto:sara.zmertych@gmail.com)

### Mass intentions from 24th May 2025

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

Sat, 24 May 2025	07.00 pm	Bridgit Walohan (LD) Paul Elward, Mary Byrne, James Doherty, Margaret Russell	Anniversary
Sun, 25 May 2025	08.00 am	Suzanne Phillips & Family(Sick), Missa PP	Intentions
	10.00 am	Nellie Breen (Birthday), Patrick Kane	Intentions
	12 noon	Michael & Kathleen Laing	Anniversary
Mon, 26 May 2025	07.00 pm	Catherine Cumiskey & family	Birthday
	09.30 am	Passionist Mass Guild	Intentions
	06.30 pm	Passionist Mass Guild	Intentions
Tues, 27 May 2025	09.30 am	Passionist Mass Guild	Intentions
	06.30 pm	Kathleen Bracken	Lately Dead
Wed, 28 May 2025	09.30 am	Passionist Mass Guild	Intentions
	06.30 pm	Passionist Mass Guild	Intentions
Thur, 29 May 2025	09.30 am	Passionist Mass Guild	Intentions
	06.30 pm	Orlagh Clarke (LD), Frederick Ntow	Intentions
Fri, 30 May 2025	09.30 am	Passionist Mass Guild	Intentions
	06.30 pm	Passionist Mass Guild	Intentions
Sat, 31 May 2025	09.30 pm	Niall & Gavin Twomey(Exams), Frederick Ntow	Intentions

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.

**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER** Acts 15: 1-2. 22-29/ Ps 67: 2-3. 5. 6. 8 (4)/ Rv 21: 10-14. 22-23/ Jn 14: 23-29 **Mon:** Philip Neri, p M, Acts 16: 11-15/ Ps 149: 1b-2. 3-4. 5-6a and 9b/ Jn 15: 26 -- 16: 4a **Tue:** Easter Weekday/ Augustine of Canterbury, bp, r, ms, Acts 16: 22-34/ Ps 138: 1-2ab. 2cde-3. 7c-8/ Jn 16: 5-11 **Wed:** Acts 17: 15. 22 -- 18: 1/ Ps 148: 1-2. 11-12. 13. 14/ Jn 16: 12-15, **ASCENSION OF THE LORD S** Acts 1: 1-11/ Ps 47: 2-3. 6-7. 8-9 (6)/ Heb 9: 24-28; 10: 19-23/ Lk 24: 46-53 **Fri:** Acts 18: 9-18/ Ps 47: 2-3. 4-5. 6-7/ Jn 16: 20-23 **Sat:** Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary F, Zep 3: 14-18a or Rom 12: 9-16/ Is 12: 2-3. 4bcd. 5-6/ Lk 1: 39-56. **SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER** Acts 7:55-60 / Ps. 97 / Rev. 22:12-20 / Jn. 17:20-26

## Welcome to St. Joseph

God loves everyone. No exceptions.

St. Joseph's Welcomes You. We are here for you! We invite you to join us on the spiritual journey as we learn and grow together, and as we seek to help and serve others.

**MASS TIMES** - Weekdays: 9:30am, 6:30pm, Saturdays: 9:30am followed by adoration until 11am, 7pm Vigil Mass. Sunday: 8am, 10am, 12noon, 7pm **Sacrament of Reconciliation** Saturday: 10am to 10:30am and from 6:30pm to 6:45pm. Weekdays on request