

CATHOLIC PARISH OF HEMEL WEST
18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
31 July 2022

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TODAY'S MASS

**Fool! This very night your soul
will be demanded of you**

Gospel Luke 12:13-21

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A man in the crowd said to Jesus, 'Master, tell my brother to give me a share of our inheritance.' 'My friend,' he replied, 'who appointed me your judge, or the arbitrator of your claims?' Then he said to them, 'Watch, and be on your guard against avarice of any kind, for a man's life is not made secure by what he owns, even when he has more than he needs.'

Then he told them a parable: 'There was once a rich man who, having had a good harvest from his land, thought to himself, "What am I to do? I have not enough room to store my crops." Then he said, "This is what I will do: I will pull down my barns and build bigger ones, and store all my grain and my goods in them, and I will say to my soul: My soul, you have plenty of good things laid by for many years to come; take things easy, eat, drink, have a good time." But God said to him, "Fool! This very night the demand will be made for your soul; and this hoard of yours, whose will it be then?" So it is when a man stores up treasure for himself in place of making himself rich in the sight of God.'

PARISH NEWS

Welcome to the parish of Hemel West. If you are new to the parish, please make yourself known to Fr Brian, by contacting him on 01442 391 759.

REGISTRATION FOR THE FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME 2022-2023:

Registration is only open to parents from the Hemel West parish. The First Holy Communion Programme 2022-2023 registration, will close on Sunday 31 July. Here is the link to the News and Events section of the parish website, so that you can register your child <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/hemelhempesteadwest/news/> Do remember to sign up for parish e-alerts too, so that you are always up to speed with the latest information about your parish! Questions about the programme will be answered at the initial parents meeting in September, so please avoid ringing or emailing the parish at this stage with questions.

FR BRIAN AWAY OVER THE SUMMER: Fr Brian will be away between Monday 8 August and Friday 26 August.

A MESSAGE FROM DEACON SIMON & CECILIA:

We will be moving away from Hemel Hempstead at the end of August. Our last Mass will be at the 12 noon Mass on Sunday 28 August, after which we would love you to join us for some light refreshments in the Parish Room next to St Mark's. Thank you all for the blessings and prayers you have given Cecilia and I, and we count it a wonderful privilege to have been a part of the Hemel Catholic Community for the last 36 years. Although St Mark's will, in particular, always have a special place in our hearts, our hope is that the Hemel Catholic Community continues to develop and grow its faith in our Lord. With love and blessings, Simon & Cecilia.

PARISH OFFICE: The parish office will be closed from Friday 12 August until Friday 19 August and

will also be closed from Friday 26 August until Monday 29 August.

PARISH NEWSLETTER: The next newsletter will be on the weekend of 3/4 September.

WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL SEPTEMBER 2022:

There will be a visit of the relics of St Bernadette to the Westminster Cathedral, from 3-5 September 2022. Please see the church notice board for more details and also the news page on the parish website.

BAPTISMAL CERTIFICATES: If your child has recently been baptised and you need a baptismal certificate, please send the full name of the child, parents, godparents and Christian witnesses (if appointed) and full address to shirleybailey@rcdow.org.uk and she will arrange a certificate for you.

THANK YOU FROM CAFOD: Did you know that CAFOD, the Catholic Agency for Overseas Development, helps some of the poorest and most marginalised people across the world? We can reach so many people because we are a member of Caritas Internationalis, the Catholic Church network with a presence in 165 countries. Our local experts work with people over the long-term, helping them to have the right skills, tools and opportunities to live with dignity and support their families. For example, in South Sudan we are helping families learn how to farm better as the climate gets hotter, so that they can cope better in the future when things get even more difficult. Find out more at www.cafod.org.uk. Thank you for your support.

GOING TO HOSPITAL? If you are going into Hospital do ask to see Theresa Taylor-Brookes the Catholic Chaplain. Please call the Chaplaincy office

on 01923 217994 or 07776598704 for Watford and St Albans.

ACCOMPANIMENT OF CHILDREN TO THE TOILET:

Please ensure that children are accompanied by an adult when going to the church toilet. Thank you.

Prayer

Everlasting God, we give you thanks for you nourish and strengthen us with your merciful love.

Give us this day our daily bread.

We pray for those who hunger in scorched lands, with no food for their children. Together, we cry out for justice.

Give us this day our daily bread.

Help us to share generously as one global family, and to hold onto hope for a world transformed.

Bread of life, we pray your people may find life and joy in all its fullness.

Through Christ our Lord,

Amen

(CAFOD)

Is not this the sort of fast that pleases me—to share your bread with the hungry, and not turn from your own kin.

Isaiah 58:5-7

JUSTICE & PEACE: "Become an expert in the art of discovering the good in every person. No one is entirely bad. Become an expert in the art of finding the truthful core in views of every kind. The human mind abhors total error", Dom Helder Camara

E-ALERT: Please sign up for the parish e-alerts and keep up with all the parish news.

GOSPEL READINGS FOR THE FORTHCOMING WEEK:

Mon. Matthew 14:13 - 21
Tues. Matthew 14:22 - 36
Wed. Matthew 15:21 - 28
Thurs. Matthew 16:13 - 23
Fri. Matthew 16:24- 28
Sat. Matthew 17:14 - 20
Sunday Luke 12:32 – 48
September’s daily readings will be from Matthew Chaps.17-25 & Luke 4-6

PARISH FINANCES

PLANNED GIVING: Thank you to all those who have made the switch to donating by Standing Order. For those who wish to donate in this way, the details are:

Account Name: **WRCDT Hemel West**
Sort Code: **40-05-20**
Account No.: **31095048**

The offertory collection income figures are published on a monthly basis once the bank reconciliation is completed.

Office Hours and Telephone cover for Hemel West.

Email: shirleybailey@rcdow.org.uk
Phone: 01442 391 759 option 2

Telephone cover for West	Hemel West Office Hours
Monday 12 noon-6pm	Monday 3pm-6pm
Tuesday 9.30am-3.30pm	Tuesday Closed
Wednesday 9.30am-3.30pm	Wednesday 9.30am-3.30pm
Thursday 9.30am-3.30pm	Thursday 9.30am-12.30pm
Friday 9.30am-3.30pm	Friday 9.30am-12.30pm

HOLY MASS

SUN 31 July	18th Sunday in Ordinary Time	(SMSJ) 6pm (Vigil) (SMSJ) 8.30am (SMSJ) 10.15am (SMSJ) 12 noon	May & Len Chalkright (RIP ANNIV) Pro Populo In Thanksgiving for answered prayers
MON 1 Aug	St Alphonsus Liguori	(SMSJ) 10am	Robert Dennis (RIP)
TUE 2 Aug	feria	(SMSJ) 10am	Hemel West Priests past, present & future & The Ordinariate
WED 3 Aug	feria	(SMSJ) 10am	Cardinal Vincent Nichols & Westminster Clergy
THU 4 Aug	St John Vianney		No Public Mass
FRI 5 Aug	feria	(SMSJ) 10am	For more community inter- faith & communication for young people, families & the elderly in Hemel
SAT 6 Aug	THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD	(SMSJ) 6pm	Elizabeth Flanagan (RIP ANNIV)
SUN 7 Aug	19th Sunday in Ordinary Time	(SMSJ) 8.30am (SMSJ) 10.15am (SM) 12 noon	Idalina Fernandes (Birthday) Tom Keegan (RIP ANNIV) Pro Populo

MASS INTENTIONS: If you would like a Mass offered for a deceased family member or a friend, or for any other intention, do let Shirley Bailey know by emailing her at shirleybailey@rcdow.org.uk or you can call her on 01442 391 759. It is customary to make an offering and the diocese recommends £10 per Mass. If this is unaffordable for you, please feel free to make an offering you can afford.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: **Saturday:** 5pm-5.30pm at SS Mary & Joseph church and by appointment.



Please switch off
all mobile phones

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