St Hugh of Lincoln RC Church

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Parish Office open: Tuesday to Friday 9.30am to 12.30am

Confessions: Saturday 10.00am to 10.30am and 6.15pm to 6.45pm

25 December
The Nativity of the Lord

Mass Book Page: 103
The God and Father we cannot see revels himself to us through his Son. On this Christmas Day we rejoice in the faith that enlightens our life.

First Reading:
Isaiah 52:7-10
Joyful news comes to a broken world.

Second Reading:
Hebrews 1:1-6
In Jesus, born of Mary, God revels himself to us.

Gospel: *John 1:1-18*
Jesus, Son of God, is the light of the world.

Services and Mass Intentions
Saturday 24 December - Saturday 31st December

Saturday 24 *Advent feria* **Family Mass** **Vigil & Mass During the Night**	9.10am 9.30am 5.30pm 11.30pm	Morning Prayer Holy Souls Maureen O'Neill, RIP People of the Parish
Sunday 25 **The Nativity of the Lord**	9.30am 11.30am	Nancy Foley, RIP Angela D'angelo, INT
Monday 26 **St Stephen, The First Martyr**	11.00am	Mass for Altar Servers and their Families
Tuesday 27 **St John, Apostle & Evangelist**	9.30am 10.00am	Morning Prayer Bob & Connie Dull, RIP
Wednesday 28 **The Holy Innocents, Martyrs**	9.30am 10.00am	Morning Prayer Mike Dwyer, RIP
Thursday 29 **St Thomas Becket, Bishop & Martyr,**	9.30am 10.00am	Morning Prayer John & Nora Spicer, RIP
Friday 30 **The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph**	9.30am 10.00am	Morning Prayer Donal Bourke, RIP
Saturday 31 **7th Day in the Octave of Christmas**	9.10am 9.30am 7.00pm	Morning Prayer Maureen O'Neill, RIP Sheila North, INT

Services and Mass Intentions
Sunday 1 January to Sunday 8 January

Sunday 1 **Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God**	8.00am 9.30am 11.30am	Anne Jewell, RIP People of the Parish Jack Johnstone, RIP
Monday 2 **Sts Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops & Doctors**	9.30am 10.00am	Morning Prayer Maureen O'Neill, RIP
Tuesday 3 *Christmas feria*	9.10am 9.30am	Morning Prayer Maureen O'Neill, RIP
Wednesday 4 *Christmas feria*	9.10am 9.30am	Morning Prayer Mary Gamble, RIP
Thursday 5 *Christmas feria*	9.10am 9.30am	Morning Prayer Iris Lawlor, RIP
Friday 6 *Christmas feria*	9.10am 9.30am	Morning Prayer Liturgy of the Word with Holy
Saturday 7 Christmas feria	9.10am 9.30am	Morning Prayer Maureen O'Neill, RIP
Sunday 8 **The Epiphany of the Lord**	8.00am 9.30am 11.30am	Rose Agius, RIP Josie Forde, INT Frances Cleary, RIP

1 January - Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

Mass Book Page: 109 **Ps Week 2**

The whole glorious story of our redemption begins in the womb of a humble country girl. Today we honour her as the Holy Mother of God, who brought forth the saviour of the world**.**

First Reading: *Numbers 6:22-27*
The Lord promises his blessing on his chosen people.

Second Reading; *Galatians 4:4-7*
Paul shows that we are sons and daughters and heirs, because we are adopted brothers and sisters of Mary's son.

Gospel: *Luke 2:16-21*
Mary, kneeling by the manger, is present right at the start of our salvation.

Crib Appeal Catholic Children's Society (Westminster) (CCS) Poverty is more than just statistics. Many children lack physical basics such as clothing and a balanced diet. Others are unable to participate fully in society because of emotional problems. Poverty impacts on the health, education and life chances of children. The contrast between London and Hertfordshire's wealth-generating capacity and its poverty levels is striking. 700,000 children in London & Hertfordshire live in poverty, 12% above the national average. Your donations at our Crib in the Baptistery will be sent to CCS to help children & families in immediate need. Please be generous in showing Mercy to them.

200 Club Winners
1st - Sue Card - No 30
2nd - Tim & Mary Child - No 120
3rd - Terry Benson - No 28
Congratulations your Christmas prizes are in the post. Merry Christmas.

Welcoming Team The rota for the Welcome Ministry will be available to collect from the church porch on 31st/1st January.

Parish Christmas Party will take place on Friday 6th January at 7pm. This year the party will be held in Fortescue Hall. All parishioners are invited. Guests may bring a plate of food if they wish, whether it be sweet or savoury. Drinks will be provided. Please put the date in your diary

Westminster Yearbook 2017
is now available in the repository and can be purchased for £4.50. Please put the money in the newspaper box under the notice board

SASH (Seniors at St. Hugh's)
Enjoy meeting fellow parishioners, the occasional special tea/meal outing, and a range of speakers including your story if you wish to share it with us. We meet in Fortescue Hall at 2.30pm

January 12	Life in a Sanatorium in 1953
January 26	**12.30 pm Burns Lunch**
February 9	Scrabble
February 23	Beetle Drive

Letchworth Garden City Church
LGCC is hosting a Week of prayer for Christian Unity from the 21st to 29th January. Please make a note of the dates.
Saturday 21st - TBC
Monday 23rd - Salvation Army 7.45pm
Tuesday 24th - Trembaths 12 noon
Wednesday 25th - St Thomases (communion) 10am
New Life Howard Hall Lounge - 7.30pm
Thursday 26th - LGCC 7pm
Friday 27th - St Pauls 1pm
Saturday 28th - Central Methodists 9.30am
Sunday 29th - Joint Service LGCC 6.30pm

The Parish Office will be closed from Wednesday 28th December to Friday 30th December reopening on Tuesday 3rd January 9.30am - 12.30am. I would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Property to Rent A family new to the parish needs to rent a 2/3 bedroom property in the Letchworth area. If anyone has or knows someone who has this type of property available could you please contact Freddy North on ***07435-967433***

We pray for all those who are sick and those suffering in any way including:

Johanna Pooley	Lucia Camisa
Noreen Capewell	Angela Horne
Cliodhna M'Corley	Ray Street
Margaret Haywood	June Rolph
Philomena Johnson	Nellie O'Brien
Patricia Ferguson	Joe Fernandes
Frances Holton	Mary Wallace
Debbie Giacobelli	George Marston
Elizabeth McKenna	Adrian Murphy

Schools

St Thomas More RC Primary School, Highfield, Letchworth. Tel: 01462 620670

John Henry Newman RC Secondary School, Hitchin Road, Stevenage. Tel: 01438 314643

Hospital RC Chaplain:
Rev. Anthony Curran (Deacon)
Office Tel: 01438 285138
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Via text message: 07876 526935
Email: chaplaincy.enhtr@nhs.net

Dates for your diary:

Date	Event/Activity	Time & Place
Friday 6th January 2017	Parish Christmas Party	7pm Fortescue Hall
21st – 29th January 2017	Week of prayer for Christian Unity	See Newsletter
Saturday 4th February 2017	KSC Annual Quiz Night	8pm Fortescue Hall

Coffee After 9.30 Mass on Sunday

25th December - No Coffee
1st January 2017 - No Coffee
8th January - KSC

Collection December 2016:

Envelopes - £350.66 Loose - £472.61, Standing Orders - £1,062
Total= £1885.27

Text Giving

Simply text "Parish LETCW" to 70800 to donate £5 to this Parish.