

# ST HUGH OF LINCOLN RC CHURCH

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Parish Office open: Monday to Friday 10.00am—12 noon

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



## 25 February 2018 2nd Sunday of Lent

### Ps Week 2

#### Parish Mass Book 151

God our Father sent his Son into the world for the benefit of us all, St Paul tells us today. We are invited to listen to him and allow his words to transform us. Let us give thanks to God for such boundless loving kindness.

**First Reading:** *Genesis 22:1-2. 9-13. 15-18*

Abrahams faith is tested. God showers blessings on him.

#### Second Reading:

*Romans 8:31-34*

God our Father has given us all that is most precious by sending his Son. We stand acquitted - God is on our Side.

#### Gospel: . *Mark 9:2-10*

At the transfiguration, the identity of Jesus is revealed. But the meaning of his identity is something the disciples still struggle to grasp.

## Services and Mass Intentions Saturday 24th to Sunday 4th March

Saturday 24 <i>Lent feria</i>	9.30am 10.00am 7.00pm	Matthew Brotherton, INT Confessions Paddy Moran, RIP
Sunday 25 <b>2nd Sunday of Lent</b>	8.00am 9.30am 11.30am	Angela Lightbound, RIP Michael Madden, RIP People of the Parish
Monday 26 <i>Lent feria</i>	9.10am 9.30am 10.00am	Morning Prayer Maurice Boughton, RIP Rosary - Lady Chapel
Tuesday 27 <i>Lent feria</i>	9.10am 9.30am	Morning Prayer Rosalba Rizzo, RIP
Wednesday 28 <i>Lent feria</i>	9.10am 9.30am	Morning Prayer Michael Hession, INT & Noreen Hession, RIP
Thursday 1 <b>St David, Bishop, Patron of Wales</b>	9.10am 9.30am	Morning Prayer Leonardo Antonaci, RIP
Friday 2 <i>Lent feria</i>	9.10am 9.30am 10.00am	Morning Prayer Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion Rosary - Lady Chapel
Saturday 3 <i>Lent feria</i>	9.30am 10.00am 7.00pm	Giorgio Camisa, RIP Confessions Elizabeth Callaghan, RIP
Sunday 4 <b>3rd Sunday of Lent</b>	8.00am 9.30am 11.30am	People of the Parish Helen & Laurie Fitzgibbons, INT Albert & Gladys Horne, RIP

## **Cardinal's Lenten Appeal**

A few weeks ago, you may have seen the Cardinal's Pastoral Letter, in which he spoke of the Cardinal's Lenten Appeal in support of key areas of work in our Diocese. The Cardinal's Lenten Appeal was set up in 2015 to fund the innovative work of Catholic parishes, schools and charities working within the Diocese, contributing to three fundamental mission areas of the Church: Marriage and Family Life – enriching and supporting marriages, the essential building block of society and the Church.

Youth and Evangelisation – supporting young people, the future of the Church, as they grow in their relationship with God and deepen their Catholic faith. And the Church's Social Outreach within Civil Society – putting our faith into action through projects that serve the poor, the lonely and the marginalised, especially at a time of greater division and inequality in society. These mission areas embody how we live out the Gospel and put our Catholic values into action – in service to others through practical programs. Please take a Cardinal's Lenten Appeal donation leaflet as you leave Mass today. During Lent, and in the spirit of sacrifice, sharing and almsgiving, please consider designating your Lenten sacrifice to the Cardinals Appeal.

**Catholic Children's Society** often provides emergency support for families and children facing crisis. As well as mental health services for children struggling with issues such as abuse, neglect and family breakdown. Since the summer they have also been supporting children who have been traumatised by the fire at Grenfell Tower. All offerings made at our Crib where sent to support the Catholic Children's Society as a parish we raised an amazing £2935.14.

**Fairtrade Fortnight** takes place from Monday 26th February to Sunday 11th March. What is Fairtrade? Small-scale farmers and producers in the developing world often bear the costs and risks of trade, while global companies make the profits. Fairtrade products such as tea, cocoa, bananas and thousands of other top quality goods have been bought by companies for sustainable prices. Fairtrade ensures the world's poorest growers and producers are able to earn a decent living and earn a premium they can put back into their communities. This is an opportunity for us to show your support to the farmers and workers responsible for growing our food. More than 1.65 million farmers and workers in 74 countries now get a better deal from Fairtrade. Over 500 Catholic parishes across England and Wales are certified Fairtrade. There will be a display in the church during this period. Please take the time to have a look at the information.

## **CAFOD Family Fast Day:**

Took place on Friday 23 February. This Lent, for every pound you donate to CAFOD, the UK Government will also donate a pound, up to a total of £5 million. Twice the number of children can have the opportunity to grow up healthy and strong. If you didn't collect a Fast Day envelope last week they are still available at the back of the church. Please give as generously as you are able.

In light of recent news reports you may wish to know CAFOD has a statement about safeguarding vulnerable communities on [cafod.org.uk](http://cafod.org.uk). Please visit the website to find out more.

**Pre Baptism Course Thursday 19th April at 7.30pm in St Hildas Room.**

In preparation for your child's Baptism Fr Jimmy will have discussed with parents the need to attend a Pre Baptism Course. The best and easiest time to do this would be before your baby is born. You are of course welcome to attend the course at any time before your child's baptism. The course is only one session of two hours. Both parents are encouraged to attend if possible (non catholic partners are very welcome). If there is a problem with childcare you are welcome to bring your baby along to the session. If you would like to attend the course please contact Jennifer by email with your details [Jennifer.a.borthwick@gmail.com](mailto:Jennifer.a.borthwick@gmail.com)

**Cardinal's Mass of Thanksgiving for the Sacrament of Matrimony**

**Westminster Cathedral,  
Saturday 19th May 2018 at 3pm**

The Cardinal will be inviting all couples in the Diocese who are celebrating their 5th, 10th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th and 60th (and every year over 60) wedding anniversary of Catholic marriage in 2018. If you are celebrating an anniversary, please inform the parish office no later than 19th March, with the following details: husband and wife's names, wedding date, full postal address and email (or telephone number, if no email).

**Stations of the Cross** will take place in the Church at 7.30pm every Wednesday and after 9.30am Mass on a Friday during Lent.

**Lent Faith Sharing Booklets** are now available in the Church porch, for a donation of £1. Please put the money in the newspaper box.

**Confirmation** Candidates are reminded there is a confirmation session on Monday 26th February at 8pm, in St Hilda's Room. The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated at 9.30am on Sunday 20th May.

**SASH** – A group for mature people meeting on alternate Thursdays at 2.30pm usually in Fortescue Hall. (Until further notice). We enjoy good company, often homemade delicious things to eat, and exercising our sense of humour.

March 8 What my mother always said

March 22 Celebration of St. Patrick

**KSC Quiz Night** This year The Knights of St Columba are holding their annual charity quiz on Saturday 10th March, 7.30 for 8.00pm in Fortescue Hall. You can expect an eclectic mix of questions, prize for the winning team, and a fish and chip supper, all for the inclusive price of £10 per person. There will also be a Licensed Bar and Raffle.

To be able to provide fish and chips, please purchase or reserve your tickets at least one week before the event. You can do this by phone or email via: John Cataldo **734551** or [giovani.cataldo@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:giovani.cataldo@hotmail.co.uk) Alex Rebello **615435** or [alex.rebello@ntlworld.com](mailto:alex.rebello@ntlworld.com) or David Legg on **483994** or **07887 495087** or at [leggds@btinternet.com](mailto:leggds@btinternet.com). Finally, if you are unable to attend but would like to donate a raffle prize this would be greatly appreciated.

**Music for Lent** Please join the Vivace Choir at St Michael the Archangel, The Broadway, Letchworth on Saturday 10th March at 7.30pm. Music will include Mozart Kyrie in D Minor and Schubert Mass in G. Tickets are £12 each, (inc refreshments) and under 13's go free. For more information or tickets please call 01462 711735.

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

Johanna Pooley	Lucia Camisa
Noreen Capewell	Angela Horne
Clíodhna M <sup>c</sup> Corley	Anna Harte
Margaret Haywood	June Rolph
Philomena Johnson	Nellie O'Brien
Patricia Ferguson	Joe Fernandes
Mary Wallace	Debbie Giacobelli
George Marston	Elizabeth McKenna
Aron Haughton	Ken Freeman
Eileen McCarthy	Olive Hay

**Coffee After 9.30 Mass on Sunday**

25th Feb - KSC

4th March - Youth Group

1st April - No Coffee

**Collection: Sunday 18th Feb**

Envelopes: £277.15; Loose: £515.36;

Standing Orders - £981.92

**TOTAL: £1774.43**

**Dates for your diary:**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event/Activity</b>	<b>Time &amp; Place</b>
2nd March	Women's World Day of Prayer	1.30pm - St Thomas' Church, Bedford Road, Letchworth
10th March	KSC Quiz	8.00pm - Fortescue Hall
17th March	Mass for the Feast of St Patrick	12 noon
1st April	Easter Sunday	
19th April	Pre Baptism Course	7.30pm St Hilda's Room
10th May	Ascension of The Lord	Holyday of Obligation
15th August	The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Holyday of Obligation

**Schools**

**St Thomas More RC Primary School**, Highfield, Letchworth.

Tel: 01462 620670    [www.strejmi.herts.sch.uk](http://www.strejmi.herts.sch.uk)

**The John Henry Newman RC Secondary School**, Hitchin Road, Stevenage.

Tel: 01438 314643    [www.jhn.herts.sch.uk](http://www.jhn.herts.sch.uk)

**Hospital R C Team: Tel: 01438 285138**

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Please remember Catholic patients can only be visited by the Catholic Chaplain if they, or a relative, contact the Chaplaincy or nursing staff.