

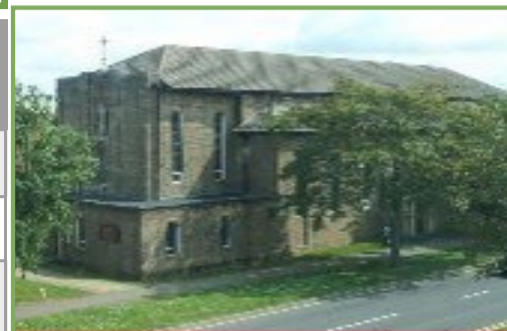
St Hugh of Lincoln RC Church

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CHURCH SERVICES TIMES

Sunday Mass

Sat 6pm (Vigil),

Sun 9.30am & 11.30am

Mass in Polish at 1pm

Weekday Mass 9.30am

Holy Day of Obligation Mass

9.30am & 7.30pm

Adoration & Benediction

Sat 10am

Confession Sat (during Adoration)

Sat 5.15 - 5.45pm and by appointment

WAYS TO BOOK YOUR PLACE AT SUNDAY

MASSES

Via the website:

<https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/letchworth/events>

Or telephone the parish office

Parishioners and visitors may opt out of the Track & Trace programme.

Bookings are GDPR compliant.

Personal data is deleted after 21 days.



Sunday 9.30 am Mass link

[St Hugh of Lincoln RC Church, Letchworth.](#)

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Children's Liturgy Channel

Please share this link with families who have younger children.

PARISH FINANCES

April 2021	£6,320.91
May 2021	£6824.33
June 2021	£7819.23
July 2021	£6751.20

Thank you for your continued support. We have a contactless machine available in the Church porch or to donate online, click [here](#) or go to

www.parish.rcdow.org.uk/letchworth

Sunday 15th August 2021
SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

READINGS FOR THIS WEEKEND

Vigil Mass 6pm Saturday

First Reading: 1 Chronicles 15:3-4. 15-16; 16:1-2; They brought in the ark of God and set it inside the tent which David had pitched for it.

Responsorial Psalm 131; Go up, Lord, to the place of your rest, you and the ark of your strength.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:54-57; He gave us victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel: Luke 11:27-28; Happy the womb that bore you!

Mass During the Day

First Reading: Apocalypse 11:19. 12:1-6. 10. A woman adorned with the sun, standing on the moon.

Psalm: 44; On your right stands the queen in garments of gold.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:20-26; Christ as the first fruits and then, those who belong to him.

Gospel: Luke 1:39-56: The almighty has done great things for me, he has exalted the lowly.

FROM THE PRESBYTERY WINDOW

'My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord and my spirit exults in God my saviour!

Almighty ever-living God,

who assumed the Immaculate Virgin Mary, the Mother of your Son,

body and soul into heavenly glory, grant, we pray,

always attentive to the things which are above,

we may merit to be sharers of her glory.

The Feast of the Assumption marks the special place Mary has in the life of the Church. Because she was chosen to be the Mother of God, the Roman Catholic Church celebrates her being taken body and soul into heaven when her life on earth was over. In the Apocalypse reading, a woman, taken to be Mary or the entire early Church, safely delivers her son into the world. Although threatened by the dragon, representing the power of evil, the child, the Messiah who would rule all the nations, was taken directly to God. The woman herself escaped to a place of safety. Psalm 44, originally a wedding song for the King of Judah, points us towards Jesus the King and to Mary his mother as queen, who is both daughter and a subject of the King. St Paul tells the Corinthians through Jesus' death and resurrection, all followers of Christ can look forward to a risen life with Jesus and to a new fullness of life with God. We listen to Mary's visitation to her cousin Elizabeth in the Gospel. In the Magnificat, Mary's hymn of praise, we contemplate her faith and complete trust in God. May Mary intercede for us as we pray for the grace of knowing God's will for us and follow her example in always saying an unconditional 'yes' to the Lord. We give thanks for all the great things the Almighty has done for us. **Fr Jimmy**

PARISH FINANCES Thank you for your continued generosity. Despite a fall in monthly collections throughout the pandemic, the parish Standing Order monthly figure has risen to £5,221 per month. Standing Orders are straightforward to establish and enables the parish Finance Committee to accurately plan and budget. Please contact the Parish House if you would like information about giving by Standing Order. Thank you. **Fr Jimmy**

PLANNED GIVING Parishioners part of our Planned Giving Scheme are invited to collect their new box of envelopes from the back of the Church. Thank you for your offerings.

Our Catholic Schools: **St Thomas More RC Primary School**, Highfield, Letchworth, Herts. SG63QB Tel: 01462 620670 www.strcjmi.herts.sch.uk

The John Henry Newman RC Secondary School, Hitchin Road, Stevenage. SG14AE Tel: 01438 314643 www.jhn.herts.sch.uk

Safeguarding Officer : Rebecca Clarke **Tel:** 01462 646636 **Email:** letchworthsg@safeguardrcdow.org.uk

Lister Hospital RC Team: Tel: 01438285138 (24/7) **For urgent need:** 01438 314333 **Via text message:** 07884 187463 **Email:** chaplaincy.enhtr@nhs.net

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

SACRAMENTS Please pray for our young people preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in November.

BAPTISM AND MARRIAGE

Please pray for Juliette Ngambu and Ava Burling who were baptised this weekend and for Nevaeh Gallagher who will be baptised next weekend. Please pray for Malia Giancola and Nick Stoppard who were married on Saturday and for Gabrielle Jones and Carwyn Morgan who will be married next weekend. To arrange baptism or your wedding please contact the Parish House.

LETCWORTH FOODBANK Visit the parish website or Letchworth Foodbank website to read the latest newsletter. Thank you for your support.

All donations are welcome. **Items urgently needed are:**

Dried Milk * Sponge Puddings * Dried Mashed Potato * Tinned Custard * Deodorant (both men & women) * Shampoo * Toilet Rolls

BISHOPS' CONFERENCE OF ENGLAND AND WALES STATEMENT Please read the recent CBCEW COVID 19 guidance detailing measures in place to keep our churches, parishioners, visitors and each other safe and the possibility of future relaxation. For the time being, please continue to book your place(s) for Mass, sanitise your hands on entry & exit to the Church and observe the one-way system while in Church, especially at communion. You are encouraged to continue wearing a face mask when visiting Church and especially for Mass.

PRAYING WITH THE POPE **Praying with the Pope** The former tradition of the Apostleship of Prayer, now known as the Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network, is being revived by Pope Francis with the help of the Society of Jesus, the Jesuits. Each month the Pope's monthly prayer intention is offered to the whole People of God. For August, Pope Francis prays; *"We pray for the Church; may she receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel"*. The People of God, all people of good will and Pope Francis have many concerns to bring to prayer. Some of our prayer may be devoted to his intention in our prayer and at Mass, especially on the First Friday of the month, the worldwide Day of Prayer for the Pope's Intentions of good will and Pope Francis have many concerns to bring to prayer. Some of our prayer may be devoted to his intention in our prayer and at Mass, especially on the First Friday of the month, the worldwide Day of Prayer for the Pope's Intentions.

COMPASSIONATE NEIGHBOURS / GARDEN HOUSE HOSPICE

Can you spare an hour a week to make a real difference in someone's life? To help alleviate the detrimental physical and mental effect of social isolation. Approx 200,000 older people in the UK do not have conversation with relatives or friends for extended periods. The Garden House Hospice Care wants to raise awareness and help people connect with their community. **Compassionate Neighbours** are trained volunteers who offer regular visits, companionship, emotional support, and a listening ear and help others to stay connected. If you can spare an hour a week Compassionate Neighbours would love to hear from you. Phone: 01462 679540 option 8. Email: cn@ghhospicecare.org.uk

THE YEAR OF ST JOSEPH Pope Francis declared a year dedicated to St Joseph, from 8th December 2020 to 8th December 2021. Resources, ideas and planned events around the Year of St Joseph are available at <https://rcdow.org.uk/faith/news/st-joseph/>

A JOURNEY WITH ST JOSEPH NOVENA PRAYER

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen.



Please contact the Parish Office if you would like a Mass to be offered for someone in your family or amongst your friends.

MASS INTENTIONS
Twentieth Week in Ordinary Time

Saturday 14th Vigil Mass of the Assumption	6.00pm	Sisters of Charity of Jesus & Mary INTS
Sunday 15th The Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary	9.30am 11.30am	Mariano & Anna Maria Schipani RIP People of the Parish
Monday 16th Feria Twentieth Week, Year 1	9.30am	Teresa Dowsett INT
Tuesday 17th Feria	9.30am	The Holy Souls
Wednesday 18th Feria	9.30am	The Holy Souls
Thursday 19th Feria	9.30am	The Holy Souls
Friday 20th Memorial of St Bernard, Abbot & Doctor	9.30am	The Holy Souls
Saturday 21st Memorial of St Pius X, Pope Vigil Mass	9.30am 6.00pm	The Holy Souls People of the Parish
Sunday 22nd Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.30am 11.30am	The Holy Souls The Holy Souls

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

Lucia Camisa Elizabeth McKenna Stephen Prohaska Angela Horne Christopher Gillham Della Stockwell Margaret Haywood Debbie Giacobelli Sylvia Hills Ken Freeman	Mary Wallace Philomena Johnson Mick McGrinder Anna Harte George Marston Joe Fernandes Aron Haughton Reg Rolph Tony Burns
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Please pray for all who have died recently, their families and all who grieve.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY	
15th August 2021	Feast of the Assumption
November 2021	Class 2021 Sacrament of Confirmation