

St Hugh of Lincoln RC Church

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PARISH OFFICE is open from 9am to 12 noon on each Monday and Thursday.



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

PARISH FINANCES

April 2021	£6,320.91
May 2021	£6824.33
June 2021	£7819.23
July 2021	£6751.20
Aug 2021	£6556.16

Thank you for your continued generosity. Contactless card machine available in the Church porch, donate online at

www.parish.rcdow.org.uk/letchworth

For information about or to set up a Standing Order, please contact the parish office.



Sunday 9.30 am Mass link

[St Hugh of Lincoln RC Church, Letchworth.](http://www.parish.rcdow.org.uk/letchworth)

[St Hugh of Lincoln RC Church Children's Liturgy Channel](#)

Please share this link with families who have younger children.

SUNDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER 2021

TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The Word of God

FROM THE PRESBYTERY WINDOW

You are the Christ!

Look upon us, O God, Creator and ruler of all things, and, that we may feel the working of your mercy, grant that we may serve you with all our heart.

READINGS

First Reading: Isaiah 50:5-9; I offered my back to those who struck me.

Responsorial Psalm 145; My soul, give praise to the Lord.

Second Reading: St James 2:14-18; If good works do not go with faith, it is quite dead.

Gospel: Mark 8:27-35; You are the Christ. The Son of Man is destined to suffer grievously.

We contemplate Jesus, who, as Peter declares, is the Christ, the anointed one of God. Our readings help us to understand the journey Jesus takes to show his love for us. Our reading from Isaiah is part of the Suffering Servant song. The servant suffers greatly but retains complete confidence and trust in God. The Psalm complements this reading as the psalmist also suffers but gives thanks; the Lord has heard his cry and saved him. James underlines the practical consequences of our faith, the loving response the faithful follower must give. Jesus asks his disciples what people are saying about him. When Peter declares he is the Christ, Jesus reveals the suffering ahead of him; we his disciples are to follow the same path. In our prayer we can be conscious of being disciples of Jesus, living out our lives in his name. **Fr Jimmy**

PRAYING WITH THE POPE IN SEPTEMBER

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. In September, Pope Francis asks; *We pray we all will make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this.* Apostles of Prayer round the world remember Pope Francis saying; "the heart of the church's mission is prayer". When Pope Francis invites us to pray with him for a specific intention, he asks us to take on this mission which must have prayer at its heart. This is how to approach September's timely Intention. Clearly, our prayer leads to action and can never be an excuse for avoiding it!

RELAXATION OF RESTRICTIONS WHEN ATTENDING MASS AT WEEKENDS

Thank you very much for following the necessary restrictions for so long. As the numbers attending Church are rising and to make attendance at Mass easier, it will no longer be necessary to book your place for Mass or sign-in when you attend Church. You are encouraged to continue wearing a mask in Church and to sanitise your hands on entry and exit. Thank you to our stewards and cleaners who have been doing an excellent job in keeping us all safe.

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.

PARISH ADMINISTRATOR

Recently, we said goodbye to Aimee Barnes who is moving on to full-time work. We thank her for more than six years work in our parish office. We welcome Emma Dunsire as our new Parish Administrator whose working hours are 9am to 12 noon on Monday and Thursday.

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

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

To arrange a baptism or wedding please contact the parish office.

LETCHWORTH 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

COMPASSIONATE NEIGHBOURS - GARDEN HOUSE HOSPICE

Can you spare an hour a week to make a real difference in someone's life and help to alleviate detrimental physical and mental effects of social isolation? **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

2021 SEASON OF CREATION

2021 Season of Creation—"A home for all? Renewing the Oikos of God" running from 1st Sept—4th Oct. Pope Francis encourages all to participate. Find out more at <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/pope-francis-encourages-participation-in-2021-season-of-creation/> Alongside this, the Laudato Si' Movement invites all to sign the "Health Planet, Healthy People" petition—available at <https://thecatholicpetition.org/>

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

Twenty fourth week in Ordinary Time
11th—18th September

Saturday 11th Vigil Mass	6.00pm	Private Intention
Sunday 12 th Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.30am 11.30am	Confirmation Candidates & Families People of the Parish
Monday 13th Memorial of St John Chrysostom, Bishop & Doctor	9.30am	Holy Souls
Tuesday 14th Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross	9.30am	Bishop John Sherrington INT
Wednesday 15th Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows	9.30am	Holy Souls
Thursday 16th Memorial of Sts Cornelius, Pope & Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs	9.30am	Rathnavali Dep RIP
Friday 17th Feria, 24th Week, Year 1	9.30am	Holy Souls
Saturday 18th Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary Vigil Mass	9.30am 6.00pm	Holy Souls People of the Parish
Sunday 19th Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.30am 11.30am	Holy Souls Holy Souls

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

Lucia Camisa	Mary Wallace
Elizabeth McKenna	Philomena Johnson
Stephen Prohaska	Mick McGrinder
Angela Home	Anna Harte
Christopher Gillham	George Marston
Della Stockwell	Joe Fernandes
Margaret Haywood	Aron Haughton
Debbie Giacobelli	Reg Rolph
Sylvia Hills	Tony Burns
Ken Freeman	

Please pray for all who have died recently, their families and all who grieve.

THE YEAR OF ST JOSEPH

Pope Francis declared a year dedicated to St Joseph, from 8th December 2020 to 8th December 2021.

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.

