



ST HUGH OF LINCOLN RC CHURCH

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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.

SUNDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER 2021

TWENTY SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



FROM THE PRESBYTERY WINDOW

The Lord gave his Spirit to them all!

READINGS

First Reading: Numbers 11:25-29;
Are you jealous on my account? If only the whole people of the Lord were prophets!

Responsorial Psalm 18; *The precepts of the Lord gladden the heart.*

Second Reading: St James 5:1-6;
Your wealth is all rotting.

Gospel: Mark 9:38-43. 45. 47-48;
Anyone who is not against us is for us. If your hand should cause you to sin, cut it off.

PRAYING WITH THE POPE: "THE HEART OF THE CHURCH'S MISSION IS PRAYER".

The Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network (formerly known as the Apostleship of Prayer) run by the Jesuits (SJ) encourages all to participate. Each month the Pope's monthly prayer intention is offered to the whole People of God. In September, Pope Francis asks; "We pray we will make courageous choices for a simple & environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this." 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!

PARISH ADMINISTRATOR

Recently, we said goodbye to Aimee Barnes who has moved onto full-time work. We thank her for more than 6 years work in our parish office. We welcome Emma Dunsire -our new Parish Administrator. She works each Mon & Thurs between 9am - 12 noon.

O God, who manifest your almighty power above all by pardoning and showing mercy, bestow, we pray, your grace abundantly upon us and make those hastening to attain your promises heirs to the treasures of heaven.

Our readings sound a note of warning against small heartedness which seeks to limit God's love or reject the action of God's Spirit in the world. They proclaim the indwelling of the Spirit in our lives. Moses rejoices as two elders absent from the Tent for the official 'enrolment' still receive the Spirit and he reprimands those who oppose this. Like Jesus in today's Gospel, Moses upholds God's freedom to communicate freely where God wills. In this collection of sayings about Christian discipleship, Jesus challenges his followers to pay attention to their attitude and inner motivation. The true disciple will be the one who knows how to rejoice in good, whatever its source. Jesus also gives powerful warnings to 'anyone who is an obstacle ... to the little ones who have faith'. The Psalm meditates on the qualities of God's law which reflect God's characteristics. This is a 'model prayer' which helps safeguard the one who prays from both conscious and unconscious sin. James emphasises those who are attached to riches at the expense of the poor are utterly un-Godly and will be held accountable for their selfish actions. We bring to prayer our local and national leaders; may they allow service and humility to inform their inner attitude and motivation. We ask too we may grow in awareness of our own God-given potential to influence life around us in little and greater ways, as God wills. **Fr Jimmy**

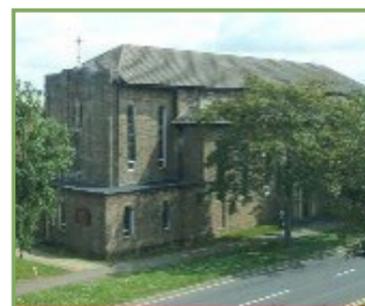
JHN OPEN EVENING 30TH SEPTEMBER

"The Saint John Henry Newman School warmly invites parents of Year 6 pupils to an Open Evening on Thursday 30th Sept from 5:30 - 8:30 pm. Prospectuses and Application Forms will be available on the evening and there will be three opportunities at 6:00pm, 6:45pm & 7:30pm to attend the Headteacher's address in the school hall. The last tour will be at 7:00pm and the school will close to visitors once the final Headteacher's address starts at 7:30pm. There will be opportunities for parents to view the School following this Open Evening."

ST THOMAS MORE MIDDAY SUPERVISORY ASSISTANT VACANCY

We require a Midday Supervisory Assistant to join our experienced and hardworking team as soon as possible. You will be working with well-behaved children and a friendly MSA team to supervise children in the dining hall and during outside play. You will work every lunchtime, from 12pm to 1.15pm, term-time only. Application forms are available from the school office and must be returned by 28th September 2021. If you require further information, please contact Kath Lee on 01462 620670. *St Thomas More is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children. This post is subject to an enhanced DBS disclosure.*

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES Parishioners part of the Planned Giving Scheme can collect their box of envelopes from the Church.



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



Sunday 9.30 am Mass link
[St Hugh of Lincoln RC Church, Letchworth.](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=...)

[St Hugh of Lincoln RC Church Children's Liturgy Channel](https://www.youtube.com/channel/...)

Please share this link with families who have younger children.

PARISH FINANCES

Thank you for your continued generosity.

April 2021	£6,320.91
May 2021	£6824.33
June 2021	£7819.23
July 2021	£6751.20
Aug 2021	£6556.16
Sept 2021	£6701.31

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 office.

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

RELAXATION OF RESTRICTIONS

Thank you for following the necessary restrictions for so long.

As numbers attending Church increase—and to make attendance at Mass easier, it is no longer necessary to book places for Mass or to sign in. 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.

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 fifth week in Ordinary Time
25th September— 3rd October**

Saturday 25th Vigil Mass	6.00pm	Johannes Dep RIP
Sunday 26th Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.30am 11.30am	People of the Parish Fred North RIP
Monday 27th Memorial of St Vincent de Paul, Priest	9.30am	Bob & Connie Dull RIP
Tuesday 28th Feria 26th Week Year 1	9.30am	Holy Souls
Wednesday 29th Feast of Sts Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, Archangels	9.30am	Michael Madden RIP
Thursday 30th Memorial of St Jerome, Priest & Doctor	9.30am	Holy Souls
Friday 1st October Memorial of St Therese of the Child Jesus, Virgin & Doctor	9.30am	Holy Souls
Saturday 2nd Holy Guardian Angels Memorial Vigil Mass	9.30am 6.00pm	Leonardo Antonaci RIP Nancy Fallon RIP
Sunday 3rd Twenty seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.30am 11.30am	People of the Parish Roy Devey RIP

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 Horne	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.

