



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

SUNDAY 7TH NOVEMBER 2021

The Word of God

READINGS

First Reading: 1 Kings: 17:10-16; *The widow made a little scone from her meal and brought it to Elijah.*

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

Second Reading: Hebrews 9:24-28; *Christ offers himself only once to take the faults of many on himself.*

Gospel: Mark 12:38-44; *This poor widow has put in more than all.*

PRAYING WITH THE POPE:

“THE HEART OF THE CHURCH’S MISSION IS PRAYER”. Be part of the Pope’s global network of prayer at www.praywiththepope.net, to pray with him from our hearts and united in the heart of Christ, to grow as missionary disciples. The Pope’s Prayer Intention for November: People who suffer from depression. “We pray that people who suffer from depression, stress or burnout will find support and a light that opens them up to life”. To watch/listen/read Pope Francis talking through this month’s intention, visit: <https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2021-11/pope-francis-november-2021-prayer-intention-depression-sufferers.html>

NOVEMBER - MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

Traditionally, in November we pray for the Holy Souls, our friends and relations who have gone to the Lord marked with the sign of faith. If you would like your loved ones remembered at Masses in November, please take a Holy Soul’s sheet from the back of Church, write their names on it and return it to the Parish House, enclosing a donation if you wish.

CAKES FOR GARDEN HOUSE HOSPICE

Contact Trish - 07709029220 by 8th Nov if you would like to provide a homemade or bought cake, suitable for freezing, for Garden House Hospice patients and relatives to enjoy with their afternoon tea. Homemade bakes must include a list of ingredients.

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FROM THE PRESBYTERY WINDOW

Happy the poor in spirit

Almighty and merciful God, graciously keep from us all adversity, so that, unhindered in mind and body alike, we may pursue in freedom of heart the things that are yours.

Our readings explore generosity, humility and self-giving. With the help of the Holy Spirit, they encourage us to live our lives as generously as Jesus did. 1 Kings tells us of a poor, destitute widow who shows great generosity in her willingness to share what she has with the prophet Elijah. Widows were among the most vulnerable people in biblical times. In the Gospel, too, a widow wins the praise of Jesus as he observes her give everything she possesses to the Temple treasury. He contrasts this woman’s action of deep faith and generosity with others, whose behaviour he roundly condemns. Jesus holds her up as a role model to his disciples. The letter to the Hebrews explains how Jesus undertook an even greater sacrifice. As the compassionate high priest he offered the gift of his own life for salvation of the human family. The Psalmist encourages us to call on our innermost self, our ‘soul’, to give praise to God, our true God who has great concern for the poor, including widows and orphans. We pray to the Lord, who supports the poor and vulnerable, for the grace to be his instruments on earth. We seek his help to show our care for the outcasts and marginalised of our own day through our loving actions. **Fr Jimmy**

CHILDREN’S LITURGY - FOR ALL CHILDREN FROM

NURSERY TO YEAR 2 resumes today (Sun 7th November).

This is a fantastic way to nourish and enrich your child’s faith and spiritual life. To keep this invaluable resource going, volunteers are needed to help during the sessions and the planning. Please email the programme leader if you are able to help: sthughschildrensliturgy@gmail.com

PARISH FINANCES

Thank you for your continued generosity.

- **Easy Giving** - To make giving to your parish easier there is a Contactless Machine in the Church porch. You can also contribute via our parish website; www.parish.rcdow.org.uk/letchworth
- **Standing Order** - Please contact the parish office to find out more about setting up a Standing Order. It enables Fr Jimmy and the Finance committee to plan finances accordingly.
- **Planned Giving** - Parishioners who are part of our Planned Giving Scheme can collect their box of envelopes from the Church. Thank you for your offering.



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/UC...)

Please share this link with families who have younger children.

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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
Oct 2021	£7289.05

SICK AND RETIRED PRIESTS' FUND Please return your envelope for the annual collection for our Sick and Retired priests' Fund. If you don't have an envelope please take one from the table in the Porch. We have more than 80 retired priests in our Diocese, a figure set to double by 2025. While priests have to offer their resignation at 75, many continue to serve in parishes. After a lifetime of service, they depend on the Diocese for help with housing, health needs and other essentials. You can also give on-line on our Diocesan website or you can scan the QR Code on the Fund's poster. Thank you for your generosity to this collection in the past and if you can, please be as generous this year. Please keep our sick and retired priests in your prayers.

SVP—VINNIE PACKS Please could you consider sponsoring packs at a suggested donation of £3.70 to cover the cost of one Vinne Pack containing cold weather essentials to the homeless this winter. Donations can be sent to **Vinnie Packs, PO Box 72264, London SW1P 9EZ** with cheques made out to SVP or by bank transfer to Nat West **sort code 60-60-04, account no. 4608 8237** . Thank you so much for your support."

POPE FRANCIS WRITES: "I urgently appeal for a new dialogue about how we are shaping the future of our planet. We need a conversation which includes everyone, since the environmental challenge we are undergoing and its human roots, concern and affect us all."

FOR A SYNODAL CHURCH: COMMUNION, PARTICIPATION, MISSION. In October 2023 the Bishops of the Church will come together in Synod. The path toward this Synod, 'For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, Mission', begins in October this year, in a worldwide invitation to all the faithful. Pope Francis has invited the entire Church to 'reflect on a theme which is decisive for its life and mission', the path of synodality. *"The purpose of this Synod... is intended to inspire people to dream about the Church we are called to be, to make people's hopes flourish, to stimulate trust, to bind up wounds, to weave new and deeper relationships, to learn from one another, to build bridges, to enlighten minds, warm hearts, and restore strength to our hands for our common mission. The objective of this synodal process is not only a series of exercises which start and stop, but a journey of growing authentically towards the communion and mission God calls the Church to live out in the third millennium. 'Synod' is a word used over the centuries, whose meaning draws on the deepest themes of our faith. It comes from two Greek words: with and path, indicating the path along which the People of God walk together.'* 'Synodality' is the process of 'journeying together', a way of being the Church as envisaged by the Second Vatican Council, journeying forwards in mission, together in communion where everybody has a part to play. 'First and foremost, synodality denotes the particular style that qualifies the life and mission of the Church, expressing her nature as the People of God journeying together and gathering in assembly, summoned by the Lord Jesus in the power of the Holy Spirit to proclaim the Gospel. Synodality ought to be expressed in the Church's ordinary way of living and working.' Pope Francis has affirmed, "A synodal Church is a Church which listens... The faithful People, the College of Bishops, the Bishop of Rome: all listening to each other; and all listening to the Holy Spirit."

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
Thirty-Second Week in Ordinary Time
Saturday 6th Sunday 14th November 2021

Saturday 6 th - Vigil Mass	6.00pm	Deacon Peter Hurrell RIP
Sunday 7th 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.30am 11.30am	People of the Parish Paolo Puosi
Monday 8th Feria 32nd Week Year 1	9.30am	Mary Quinn RIP
Tuesday 9th Dedication of the Lateran Basilica (Feast)	9.30am	Roseann & Pat Wrynn RIP
Wednesday 10th St Leo the Great, Pope & Doctor (Mem)	9.30am	Gerard Hurrell RIP
Thursday 11th St Martin of Tours, Bishop (Mem)	9.30am	James McGlynn RIP
Friday 12th St Josaphat, Bishop & Martyr	9.30am	Bernadette Wrynn RIP
Saturday 13th Blessed Virgin Mary (Mem) Vigil Mass	9.30am 6.00pm	Leon Desdoits RIP Vincenzo & Immacolata RIP
Sunday 14th 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.30am 11.30am	People of the Parish Bob Roberti RIP

We pray for those who are sick and suffering 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.

LETCWORTH FOODBANK Visit the parish website or Letchworth Foodbank website to read the latest newsletter, list of urgently needed items and the Christmas Food Appeal.

SYNOD PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

We stand before You, Holy Spirit,
as we gather together in Your name.
With You alone to guide us,
make Yourself at home in our hearts;
Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.
We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder.
Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path
nor partiality influence our actions.
Let us find in You our unity
so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right.
All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son,
forever and ever. Amen

PRAYER FOR THE COP26 CLIMATE SUMMIT

Loving God, we praise your name with all you have created. You are present in the whole universe and in the smallest of creatures.
We acknowledge the responsibilities you have placed upon us as stewards of your creation. May the Holy Spirit inspire all political leaders at COP26 as they seek to embrace the changes needed to foster a more sustainable society.
Instil in them the courage and gentleness to implement fairer solutions for the poorest and most vulnerable and commit their nations to the care of Our Common Home.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE YEAR OF 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.

