

ST HUGH OF LINCOLN RC CHURCH

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Parish Office: Monday 9-2.30pm, Tuesday 9-2pm and Thursday 9am—2.30pm

Mass Times: Sunday (Sat 6pm) 9.30am & 11.30am. Holy Day Mass 9.30am & 7.30pm.

Weekday Mass: Monday to Saturday 9.30am. Morning Prayer: Monday to Saturday 9.10am.

Adoration & Confession Wednesday & Saturday 10.00-10.30. Confession Saturday 5.15 to 5.45 & on request.



SUNDAY 29th MAY 2022 — Parish Mass book Year C Vol 1—Ps Week 3

FIRST READING: a reading from the Acts of the Apostles 7:55-60

I can see the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 96:1-2.6-7.9. R vv.1.9

The Lord is king, most high above all earth.

SECOND READING: a reading from the book of the Apocalypse 22:12-14.16-17.20

Come, Lord Jesus!

GOSPEL: A reading from the holy Gospel according to John 17: 20-26

May they be completely one.

COLLECT: graciously hear our supplications, O Lord, so that we, who believe that the Saviour of the human race is with you in glory, may experience, as promised, until the end of the world, his abiding presence among us.

From The Presbytery Window

May they all be one. Father, may they be one in us.

As the Easter Season draws to an end, our readings encourage us to deepen our longing for and commitment to unity so together we may cry out, 'Come Lord Jesus, Maranatha!' In the Acts of the Apostles, we meet the first Christian martyr, Stephen. Like Jesus he dies with words of forgiveness for his enemies on his lips. Just before he enters into his Passion Jesus prays for his followers and all who will come to believe in him, including us. He wants believers to remain united as a sign of unity and love in a divided world. This oneness is modelled on Christ's own unity with his Father. In Psalm 96 we rejoice as God is proclaimed king by all and worshipped by the whole of creation. In the Second Reading from the final chapter of Revelation, Jesus, the Alpha and the Omega, promises us that he will come again soon, so that all may drink of the water of life. We pray with Jesus for Christian harmony and unity throughout the world; a unity valuing diversity and difference. We pray for all places where there is conflict and turbulence, especially Ukraine, and for the courage and strength to live our lives with wisdom and integrity.

Fr Jimmy

Praying with Pope Francis For Faith-Filled Young People.

In May, we pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service. Amen. A link to the pope video for may is available on our website: [Pope Francis: Prayer Intentions, May – Roman Catholic Parish of Letchworth Garden City \(rcdow.org.uk\)](#)

PLENARY RESOLUTION—IN PERSON MASS ATTENDANCE

The Catholic Bishops of England and Wales have issued a reflection on post-pandemic recovery and the challenges faced by the Church in encouraging people back to the Church and her Sacraments.

The full text is available here: [IN PERSON MASS ATTENDANCE – Roman Catholic Parish of Letchworth Garden City \(rcdow.org.uk\)](https://rcdow.org.uk/in-person-mass-attendance)

PLENARY RESOLUTION—REFUGEES

The Bishops' Conference of England and Wales, by plenary resolution, appeal for refugees and asylum seekers to be welcomed and respected is based on the fundamental principle of the dignity of every person, created in the image and likeness of God. The full text is available here:

[REFUGEES – Roman Catholic Parish of Letchworth Garden City \(rcdow.org.uk\)](https://rcdow.org.uk/refugees)

BAPTISM COURSE

The next course is on 26th June 2022 after 9.30am Mass in the St Hilda's Room. Please contact the office to book your place.

FOODBANK OPENING TIMES:

The Letchworth Foodbank will remain closed on Friday June 3rd, The Queen's Jubilee. We will be open on Tuesday May 31st and open again on Tuesday June 7th.

FOODBANK VACANCY:

Letchworth Foodbank is looking for an experienced Warehouse manager. Please check on our website for details about pay and requirements: [Wanted urgently: Foodbank Warehouse Manager – Roman Catholic Parish of Letchworth Garden City \(rcdow.org.uk\)](https://rcdow.org.uk/wanted-urgently-foodbank-warehouse-manager)

PARISH PALS: A YOUNG ADULTS SOCIAL (18-30)

Monday 30th May at 7pm at Our Lady's Church, Hitchin.

Meet like-minded people and have a moment to connect with God.

SENIORS AT ST. HUGHS (SASH)

Our meetings are held in St. Hilda's room every fortnight at 2.30 on alternate Thursdays. If you are new to this Parish, have recently retired, or moved to support your family, or become rather isolated due to COVID or bereavement, and want to meet mature people, come and join our friendly group. On June 9th we will discuss "What I did on Coronation Day".

SICK & HOUSEBOUND

If a relative or neighbour cannot come to church and receive Communion, please get in touch with the parish office. We can arrange for a Eucharistic Minister to visit them.

CONGRATULATIONS

Our First holy Communion children, divided into two groups, received the Eucharist in the past two weeks. We thank them for their commitment during their preparation and we thank their families for their invaluable support. We will celebrate our children again on 19th June at 9.30am in a Thanksgiving Mass on *Corpus Christi*. Please keep them in your prayers as they go forth in their journey of Faith.

CONFIRMATIONS

Please be advised that next Sunday, 5th June, at 9.30am, our candidates will be receiving the sacrament of Confirmation in a Mass celebrated by Bishop Paul McAleenan. A wonderful way to celebrate the Solemnity of Pentecost!

CATHOLIC LISTENERS

A new confidential listening helpline will launch this month. Catholic Listeners, Diocese of Westminster, has been set up for those who are returning to the faith. The helpline is all about listening to others, listening to those who might have become isolated due to the pandemic. This service is based on the Landings ethos of compassionate listening. Although we are not a counselling service, we have a professional team trained on signposting to other services and agencies. Sometimes just communicating with someone who listens and understands can help clarify a way forward. Simply talking about a problem can ease a burden. We aim to help those in need of a safe space to talk.

For further information please contact Ade at [<http://about:blank/>]

Catholiclisteners@gmail.com

We are here to listen 0800 448 0704

MASS INTENTIONS - Saturday 28th May to Sunday 5th June 2022

Saturday 28th May

Vigil Mass, 6pm: Julian Brotherton RIP

Sunday 29th May

9.30am: People of the Parish

11.30am: Leslie Henry RIP &

Betty Henry INT

Monday 30th May

9.30am: Holy Souls

Tuesday 31st May

9.30am: Fr Kevin Greene RIP

Wednesday 1st June

9.30am: Holy Souls

Thursday 2nd June

10am: Patty & Mike Naxton INT (Golden Wedding Anniversary)

Friday 3rd June

10am: HM The Queen INT

Saturday 4th June

9.30am: Julian Brotherton RIP

6.00pm: People of the Parish

Sunday 5th June - Pentecost

9.30am: Confirmation Candidates and their families

11.30am: Leonardo Antonaci RIP

MASS BOOKINGS:

“The Mass is the most perfect form of prayer” *Pope Paul VI*. Masses can be offered not just for the repose of a soul but also in thanksgiving, celebration and for someone’s health and wellbeing. Please note:

- Mass cards are available from the parish office.
- Available dates start from the second week of June.

SUPPORTING UKRAINIAN REFUGEES

Reset have updated their list of resources and tool kits for people wishing to host Ukrainian refugees. Please see the link below: <https://resetuk.org/toolkits/homes-for-ukraine/useful-links>

Caritas Westminster Refugee Response, : <https://www.caritasvs.org.uk/refugee-response.php>

Financial appeals through the Ukrainian Eparchy and CAFOD are ongoing.

1. <https://www.ucc-gb.com/post/helpukraine-emergency-appeal>

2. <https://cafod.org.uk/Give/Donate-to-Emergencies/Ukraine-Humanitarian-Appeal>

FOR A SYNODAL PARISH: COMMUNION, PARTICIPATION, MISSION

Our journey together as a Church depends upon our accompanying one another in our parish, trusting that the Spirit guides us as we act together. The joy of the Gospel remains hidden in our hearts until we come together, to offer it to one another for the healing of our parish and our world.

Two open parish-wide meetings are scheduled for us to listen and speak again as we did during the Advent listening events and written responses. The contents of our parish synthesis statement sent to the Diocese will be presented as well as the synthesis from the Diocese sent to the bishops' conferences and the Vatican.

The ears of the Spirit are open: What remains to be said to one another? To the Diocese? To the Vatican/global Church?

The hands of the Spirit are ours: What lies before us as we discern our journey together?

Meetings in the Saint Hilda Room:

Wednesday evening, 8 June at 7.30 pm

Saturday morning, 11 June at 11.00 am

Refreshments available.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are looking for a few people to take over the running of the Parish Repository. This entails overseeing the sale of greetings/prayer/Mass cards and other religious articles after our Sunday Masses. A Rota would ensure that sole responsibility does not fall on one person. Please get in touch with the Parish Office if you can help.

MASS TIMES

Due to the upcoming Bank Holidays, services will be on at 10am on Thu and Fri.

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

Nora Ivers	Pat Davies
Lucia Camisa	James Stoppard
Stephen Prohaska	Angela Horne
Aron Haughton	Anthony Horne
Anna Harte	George Marston
Joe Fernandes	Elizabeth McKenna
Margaret Haywood	Debbie Giacobelli
Toby Hughes	Tony Burns
Mary Wallace	Philomena Johnson
Reg Rolph	Mick McGrinder
Rosie Child	Andrew Browne

Easy Giving: To make giving to your parish easier there is a Contactless Machine in the Church porch or via our parish website; www.pariah.relow.org.uk/lethworth
Thank you.

Standing Order: Making your offering to the Church by Standing Order is simple and enables the Finance Committee with Fr Jimmy to plan the parish finances accurately. Please contact the Parish House if you would like information about giving by Standing Order.

Planned Giving: Parishioners who are part of our Planned Giving Scheme can collect their box of envelopes from the Church

Collection for April 2022: in church collection: £3254.22. Thank you for your generosity.

Dates for your diary:

Sun 5th June	Pentecost Sunday Confirmation Mass at 9.30am celebrated by Bishop Paul
Wed 8th June	Synod meeting , St Hilda Room 7.30pm
Sat 11th June	Synod meeting , St Hilda Room 11am. Children welcome
Sun 12th June	The Most Holy Trinity
Sun 19th June	Corpus et Sanguis Christi. Thanksgiving Mass for First holy Communion at 9.30am
Sun 26th June	Baptism course after 9.30am Mass in the St Hilda's Room.

Our Catholic Schools

St Thomas More RC Primary School, Highfield, Letchworth, Herts, SG6 3QB

Tel: 01462 620670 www.strcjmi.herts.sch.uk

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

Tel: 01438 314643 www.jhn.herts.sch.uk

Safeguarding Officer - Rebecca Clarke 01462 646636 lethworthsg@safeguardrcdow.org.uk

Lister Hospital RC Team: Tel: 01438 285138 (24/7) Urgent need: 01438 314 333

Via text message: 07884 187463 Email: chaplaincy.enhtr@nhs.net

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