

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 5th June 2022 — Parish Mass book Year C Vol 1—Ps Week 2

FIRST READING: a reading from the Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11

They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 103:1.24.29-31.34. R v.30

Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.

SECOND READING: a reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans 8:8-17

Everyone moved by the Spirit is a son of God.

GOSPEL: A reading from the holy Gospel according to John 14: 15-16.23-26

The Holy Spirit will teach you everything.

COLLECT: O God, who by the mystery of today's great feast sanctify your whole Church in every people and nation, pour out, we pray, the gifts of the Holy Spirit across the face of the earth and, with the divine grace that was at work when the Gospel was first proclaimed, fill now once more the hearts of the believers.

From The Presbytery Window

Pentecost Sunday 5th June 2022

On the fiftieth day (Pentecost) after Passover, the disciples are back in Jerusalem celebrating Shavuot, the Jewish harvest festival commemorating God's provision and sustenance. Rather than the disciples offering the first fruits of the wheat harvest to the Lord, we see the Lord coming to provide for them in the form of the Holy Spirit, the gift of the Lord's own self. The gift of the promised Advocate of peace, given in the form of breath, the Spirit, will keep us faithful to the Gospel. We will be sustained and renewed by the Spirit's gifts of life and joy. God's Spirit is given for a good purpose so we might go out, witnessing to the power of the Spirit by lives of faith, service and unity. We pray for an outpouring of God's love into our hearts so we may feel renewed and full of the Lord's riches. Then we might willingly go out to share with others what we have received, the richness of the Lord. We continue to pray for the peace of the world, especially for the people of Ukraine and for Kajetan and the Migdal family. *Fr Jimmy*

Confirmation

We welcome Bishop Paul McAleenan to our parish for the 9.30am Mass this weekend when he will Confirm our young people. Please keep these young people and their families in your prayers.

Praying with Pope Francis

POPE'S PRAYER NETWORK: JUNE INTENTIONS - For Families

In June, we pray for Christian families around the world. May they embody and experience unconditional love and advance in holiness in their daily lives. Amen.

KAJETAN MIGDAL, RIP

Our community is deeply shocked and is mourning the tragic loss of dear Kajetan. Please keep his family and friends in your prayers. Our parish, the Saint John Henry Newman school and Bishop Paul are at hand to give support to those who are struggling with this tragic event. The date and location of Kajetan's Funeral will be announced as soon as we have it. Please keep an eye on our website for updates.

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)

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 URGENTLY 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)

SICK & HOUSEBOUND

If a relative or neighbour cannot come to church, please get in touch with the parish office. We can arrange for a Eucharistic Minister to visit them and bring them Communion. A visit from a member of the parish can alleviate loneliness and lift the spirit.

MEDITATION GROUP

Our parish meditation group meets on Tuesdays at 5 30 pm for an hour in St Hilda's room. We follow the practice of the World Community for Christian Meditation (www.wccm.org) Our meetings consist of a short reading, followed by meditation and conclude with a time of reflection and discussion. All are welcome.

“Be still and know that I am God” Psalm 46:10

Meditation is a way of simplicity, stillness and silence, a way of deepening spiritual life that is open to all. It is a universal wisdom found at the core of all great religious traditions. At the heart of the practice are the words of Jesus:

But you, when you pray go into your inner room, shut your door, and pray to your Father who is unseen.

And your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you. Matt 6: 6-7

The great challenge to us in learning to meditate is its radical simplicity. The daily practice may take time to develop. Be patient, if you give up, start again. We meditate in order to take the attention off ourselves and as Jesus said “to leave self behind”. The basis of meditation is personal practice and is a journey calling for commitment, which will bear fruit in its own time.

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.

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”.

For further information please phone Patsy Marshall on 01462 620397

MASS INTENTIONS - Saturday 4th June to Sunday 12th June 2022

Saturday 4th June

Vigil Mass, 6pm: People of the Parish

Sunday 5th June, Pentecost

9.30am: Confirmation Candidates and their families

11.30am: Leonardo Antonaci RIP

Monday 6th June

9.30am: Theresa Dowsett RIP

Tuesday 7th June

9.30am: Mary Geoghegan RIP

Wednesday 8th June

9.30am: Holy Souls

Thursday 9th June

9.30am: Dorothy McBride RIP

Friday 10th June

9.30am: Anastasia Dep RIP

Saturday 11th June

9.30am: Julian Brotherton RIP

6.00pm: Seamus and James Palmer RIP

Sunday 12th June, Trinity Sunday

9.30am: People of the Parish

11.30am: Dominic, Raymond and Jacqueline 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 third week of June.

UKRAINIAN REFUGEES SUPPORT

Reset’s resources and tool kits for people wishing to host Ukrainian refugees: <https://resetuk.org/toolkits/homes-for-ukraine/useful-links>

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

Ukrainian Eparchy’s financial appeal: <https://www.ucc-gb.com/post/helpukraine-emergency-appeal>

CAFOD: <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.

THANKSGIVING MASS

Please be reminded that 9.30am Mass on Corpus et Sanguis Christi (19th June) will be celebrated to give thanks for our First Holy Communion Children. Please keep them and their families in your prayers.

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.recow.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 MAY 2022: in church collection: £3391.49. Thank you for your generosity and continued support.

Dates for your diary:

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.
Wed 29th June	Solemnity of SS Peter and Paul - Holy Day of Obligation Masses at 9.30am and 7.30pm

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.