

# 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.



## **THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST 19th June 2022 Parish Mass Book Year C Vol 2 Page 83 Ps Week 4**

FIRST READING: Kings 19:16,19-21  
*Elisha rose and followed Elijah.*

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 15:1-2, 5, 7-11. R v.5  
O Lord, it is you who are my portion.

SECOND READING: Galatians, 5:1, 13-18  
*You were called to liberty.*

GOSPEL: Luke 9: 51-62  
*Jesus resolutely took the road for Jerusalem. I will follow you wherever you go.*

COLLECT: O God, who through the grace of adoption chose us to be children of light, grant, we pray, that we may not be wrapped in the darkness of error but always be seen to stand in the bring light of truth.

### **FROM THE PRESBYTERY WINDOW**

**“FOLLOW ME”** - This Sunday’s readings focus on the commitment needed to respond to the Lord’s call, a reminder that true faith comes from the heart. The Gospel tells of the whole-hearted commitment required by Jesus of his followers – not coercion, as suggested by James and John. Jesus makes the three who come forward aware of what following him really means: it is not to be imagined as a part-time or ‘easy’ option. Jesus does not want his disciples to hesitate.

In the First Reading, Elisha responds quickly to being ‘anointed’ by Elijah. He shows his desire to serve the Lord by leaving his livelihood and home.

In the Second Reading, St Paul emphasizes the importance of freedom. However, he warns the Galatians, and us too, this is not an excuse for self-indulgence. The Spirit will guide us so that we love our neighbours as ourselves. Living in freedom encourages us to take total responsibility for our own lives, rather than blame others for any personal difficulties.

If, like the Psalmist, we trust and follow the Lord’s path of life, it will lead us to eternal joy.

Let’s pray this week for the grace of freedom in being able to accept unconditionally God’s will for us. We also continue to pray for peace throughout the whole world, and especially for the people of Ukraine and Eastern Europe.

### **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**

Kajetan Migdal was a loving, joy-filled young man with a bright future, known for his love of dance, animals and strong friendships. On Wed 22nd June, we gathered as one big family to celebrate his Funeral. As a parishioner put it, "It was our community at its best, at our worst of times".

Words could never express just how very sorry each one of us is that such an atrocious fate should befall a fine, stunning and talented young man. At a time when it would be easy to doubt, we find that our shared faith truly brings us together and that, I hope, will bring some comfort.

If it is true that one can be judged by the company they keep, we can rest assured the Migdals are fantastic as they are surrounded by amazing friends who have rallied around them at this tragic time.

Thank you to all those who have contributed in any way to the organization of Kajetan's Funeral. Lots of people helped, even by helping in everyday matters (school&clubs runs springs to mind) those who were organizing and enabling them to be available.

Please continue to keep Kajetan, his family and friends in your prayer.

### **PLENARY RESOLUTION: IN PERSON ATTENDANCE**

Unless you are sick or housebound, following Mass online no longer counts as attendance. The full text is available here:

[IN PERSON MASS ATTENDANCE – Roman Catholic Parish of Letchworth Garden City \(rcdow.org.uk\)](https://www.rcdow.org.uk/in-person-mass-attendance-roman-catholic-parish-of-letchworth-garden-city)

### **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://www.rcdow.org.uk/wanted-urgently-foodbank-warehouse-manager-roman-catholic-parish-of-letchworth-garden-city)

## **STM SUMMER SPECTACULAR**

The STM children and PA are delighted to invite you to their first post-Covid Summer Festival on Sunday 10th July. Come and see how the school has transformed with lots of amazing additions and improvements. There is a fantastic line-up to entertain you with live music, dance performances and more. Lots of stalls run by local businesses, delicious food and fun activities for the children and the grown-ups, too. And don't forget to buy raffle tickets: the prizes are phenomenal and include vouchers for local shops, restaurants businesses and tickets to the Royal Albert Hall! Tickets will be available to purchase online and in person via PA members and the parish office.

## **ASYLUM SEEKER DEPORTATION TO RWANDA**

Plans to send asylum seekers to Rwanda have been criticised by Christian leaders including Bishop Paul McAleenan. The organisation Care4Calais is proceeding with a legal challenge to this policy and are giving voice to many of the 100 people who are due to be deported, potentially within days. See their website here: <https://care4calais.org/news/rwanda-deportees-are-increasing-desperate/>

There is a petition on the parliamentary petition website, which you may like to sign and share: <https://petition.parliament.uk/petitions/614913>

## **MEDITATION GROUP**

Our parish meditation group meets on Tuesdays at 5 30 pm for an hour in St Hilda's room. ([www.wccm.org](http://www.wccm.org)).

## **ALLIANCE OF CATHOLIC MARRIAGE**

The Alliance of Catholic Marriage Organisations was formed with intention of providing couples and families with an easily accessible platform of resources to form, nurture, enrich and support them to grow in their vocation. On their website | [www.Alliance of Catholic Marriage Organisations.org.uk](http://www.AllianceofCatholicMarriageOrganisations.org.uk) you can find resources and pastoral care to support married life.

**MASS INTENTIONS - Saturday 25th June to Sunday 3rd July 2022**

Saturday 25th June

Vigil Mass, 6pm: People of the Parish

**Sunday 26th June**

9.30am: Paddy O'Donnell RIP

11.30am: Christopher Gillham RIP

Monday 27th June

9.30am: Mary Child RIP

Tuesday 28th June

9.30am: Julian Brotherton RIP

**Wednesday 29th June, SS Peter and Paul**

9.30am People of the Parish

7.30pm Audrey Dwyer RIP

Thursday 30th June

9.30am: Andrew Keogh and Eva Sadowska INT

Friday 1st July

9.30am: Patrick Geoghegan INT

Saturday 2nd July

9.30am: Maurice & Janet Jacques RIP

6.00pm: People of the Parish

**Sunday 3rd July, 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9.30am: Rosie Child INT

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 July.

### **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>

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

We are STILL 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.

### **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.

### **WILL YOU TAKE THE FIRST STEP?**

CAFOD's Gap year programme, Step into the Gap is a great opportunity for Young Adults aged between 18-30 to immerse themselves in interactive experiences, develop leadership skills while exploring their faith, and meeting new people. This is a chance to reflect on your role in global society while spending a year inspiring other to act for the poor and most marginalised. Based in the UK in a retreat centre or Catholic Secondary school with accommodation, travel and stipend included. Take the first step and find out more information and how to apply for September 2022 go to [cafod.org.uk/gapyear](https://cafod.org.uk/gapyear)

### **RCIA TESTIMONY**

If you were received into the Church this Easter or in the past, the Agency for Evangelisation would like to hear from you. They would like to hear to something about your journey, of what has brought you to the point of conversion in order to build up some testimonies of faith stories. Leave your contacts with the parish office and you will be put in touch with a diocesan catechetical adviser.

**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	Barry Brown
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.parish.redow.org.uk/letchworth](http://www.parish.redow.org.uk/letchworth)  
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 29th June	<b>Solemnity of SS Peter and Paul Holy Day of Obligation</b> Masses 9.30am & 7.30pm
Sun 14th Aug	<b>Solemnity of the Assumption of The Blessed Virgin Mary</b>

**Our Catholic Schools**

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

Tel: 01462 620670    [www.strejmi.herts.sch.uk](http://www.strejmi.herts.sch.uk)

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

Tel: 01438 314643    [www.jhn.herts.sch.uk](http://www.jhn.herts.sch.uk)

**Safeguarding Officer** - Rebecca Clarke 01462 646636 [letchworthsg@safeguardrcdow.org.uk](mailto:letchworthsg@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](mailto: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.