

# 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 10.00-10.30am. Confession Saturday 5.15 to 5.45pm & on request.



## **FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 10th July 2022**

### **Parish Mass Book Year C Vol 2 Page 108 Psalter Week 3**

FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 30:10-14

*The word is very near to you for your observance.*

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 68:14.17. 30-31. 33-34. 36-37. R v.33

Seek the Lord, you who are poor, and your hearts will revive.

SECOND READING: Colossians 1:15-20

*All things were created through Christ for him.*

GOSPEL: Luke 10: 25-37

*Who is my neighbour?*

COLLECT: O God, who show the light of your truth to those who go astray, so that they may return to the right path, give all who for the faith they profess are accounted Christians the grace to reject whatever is contrary to the name of Christ and to strive after all that does it honour.

### **From The Presbytery Window And Who is my Neighbour?**

Our readings celebrate the Lord's closeness to us. Created through God and for God, we are drawn ever closer to God by peace and reconciliation. More than this, we are called to become like the Lord in our service of other people, especially the poor. The author of the Book of Deuteronomy commands us to love and gives us the means to do so. The law, or the word, is not beyond our reach but is as close to us as our hearts. The help and compassion of the Lord for the poor and needy will be seen through our service; in this way, says the Psalmist in Psalm 68, our hearts will revive. Writing to the community of the Church at Colossae, Paul makes clear all is made possible by Christ and his cross. He holds everything in being from the beginning and, even now, is drawing us together in deeper unity. The well-known parable of the Good Samaritan, which only Luke shares with us, shows us a concrete example of what service, the command to love without bias or prejudice, looks like. We pray this week we may have renewed trust, hope and confidence in the Good Samaritan who comes close to us in our need. May we reach out so God's desire for all people be clearly seen by our loving response. We pray too for the peace of the world and for all who suffer as a result of war, conflict and violent attack. *Fr Jimmy*

### **Praying with Pope Francis**

#### **POPE'S PRAYER NETWORK: JULY INTENTIONS - For The Elderly**

We pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of a people; may their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility. Amen.

When an elderly person dies, a library burns to the ground— African proverb

## FUNERALS

21st July 10.30am, Funeral Mass for Stella Galivan RIP at St Hugh of Lincoln.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Antoinette Franken who passed away aged 60 and whose body will be repatriated to County Kildare, Ireland.

22nd July: Crematorium Service for the repose of the soul of Louise Symonds who passed away aged 56. Mass times will NOT be affected.

Please pray for the repose of Louise's soul.

## NO Mass on 15th, 18th and 29th July

## 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. **Unless you are sick or housebound, following Mass online does not count as attendance.** The full text is available here: [IN PERSON MASS ATTENDANCE – Roman Catholic Parish of Letchworth Garden City \(rcdow.org.uk\)](#)

## STM SUMMER SPECTACULAR

**Today, 10th July**, is the day! Come down to STM **from 1pm to 4pm** 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 and businesses and tickets to the Royal Albert Hall! <https://go.rallyup.com/stm>

## 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 \(rcdow.org.uk\)](#)

## 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)).

## JHN PUPIL IN NEED OF HELP

Emilka is a 15 year old pupil at our secondary school, The Saint John Henry Newman. She suffers from a rare autoimmune disease which has compromised her kidneys and left her dependent on dialysis. Regrettably, her family members are not a match and are not suitable for the transplant she needs. If you would consider donating a kidney to help boost Emilka or would like to know more information please email [anita.copley@gstt.nhs.uk](mailto:anita.copley@gstt.nhs.uk). For the full article, please check our website [Courageous Emilka Styczynska, is facing the fight of her life in a bid to land a vital organ transplant. – Roman Catholic Parish of Letchworth Garden City \(rcdow.org.uk\)](#)

## Kew Gardens Outing to the 'Food Forever Festival' with Westminster Justice & Peace, CAFOD and Caritas.

Protecting sustainable food sources is a major theme of social justice of great concern to CAFOD, Caritas and Justice & Peace. Join us at Kew Gardens on 9<sup>th</sup> August at 11am. You are welcome to walk with us or to explore the gardens at your own pace. There will be the option to bring a picnic to eat together (weather permitting!) or you can go to any of Kew's restaurants or food outlets. You will need to book your own tickets at the earliest opportunity. Prices vary: standard single adult ticket online is £15; special rates for children, families, young people, students, visitors with disabilities and senior citizens 65+; £1 for people on Universal Credit, Pension Credit or Employment and Support Allowance (ESA).

For more information, or to let us know you will be joining us, please contact Collette Joyce [colettejoyce@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:colettejoyce@rcdow.org.uk) or call her on 07593 434 905

## SICK & HOUSEBOUND

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

## **MASS INTENTIONS -**

*Saturday 9th July to Sunday 17th July 2022*

Saturday 9th July

Vigil Mass, 6pm: Harry and Maureen McCann RIP

**Sunday 10th July**

9.30am: People of the Parish

11.30am: Frankie Campbell RIP

Monday 11th July

9.30am: Julie Cranston RIP

Tuesday 12th July

9.30am: Richard Smithers RIP

Wednesday 13th July

9.30am: Claire Dwyer RIP

Thursday 14th July

9.30am: Claire Dwyer RIP

Friday 15th July

9.30am: NO MASS

Saturday 16th July

9.30am: Anthony Towey RIP

6.00pm: Claire Dwyer RIP

**Sunday 17th July**

9.30am: People of the Parish

11.30am: Constance Fernandes 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 August.

## **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>

## **FR JIMMY’S ANNUAL LEAVE**

Fr Jimmy is on annual leave from Thursday

7th July to Thursday 4th August. Fr Stephen will be looking after the parish apart from Sunday 24th July when Fr Tony Convery will celebrate the 9.30am and 11.30am Masses. The Office will remain open during this time at the usual times. Monday 9am to 2.30pm, Tuesday 9am to 2pm and Thursday 9am to 2.30pm.

## **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.

## **CATHOLIC CONCERN FOR ANIMALS**

The Catechism of the Catholic Church (n. 2416) tells us that “Animals are God’s creatures. By their mere existence they bless Him and give Him glory. Thus men owe them kindness.” God created the earth and all that lives on it, and is calling human beings to cherish and care for all of this creation. Catholic Concern for Animals (CCA) exists to help all people of faith, and Catholics in particular, to realise this vocation. Through publications (*The Ark*) and talks, CCA produces educational material on the empathetic treatment of animals. CCA also supports small animal charities and sanctuaries in developing nations through the Phyllis Mary Trust. For more info or to become a supporter visit [www.catholic-animals.com](http://www.catholic-animals.com)

## **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 See their website here: <https://care4calais.org/news/rwanda-deportees-are-increasing-desperate/>

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

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

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

**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.rcdow.org.uk/letchworth](http://www.pariah.rcdow.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 June 2022:** in church collection total: £2135.83. Thank you for your generosity and continued support.

**Dates for your diary:**

Sun 10th July	STM Summer Spectacular 1-4pm. Open to all parishioners.
Sun 14th Aug	<b>Solemnity of the Assumption of The Blessed Virgin Mary</b>
Mon 5th Sept	Start of Autumn Term at our Catholic Schools, STM and JHN

**Our Catholic Schools**

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

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

**The Saint 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.