

# 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.



## **TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, 25TH SEPTEMBER 2022**

### **Parish Mass Book Year C Vol 2 Page 143 Psalter Week 2**

FIRST READING: Amos 6: 1, 4-7

*Those who sprawl and those who bawl will be exiled.*

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 145: 7-10 R v 1

My soul, give praise to the Lord.

SECOND READING: 1 Timothy 6: 11-16

*Do all that you have been told until the Appearing of the Lord.*

GOSPEL: Luke 16:19-31

*Good things came your way, just as bad things came the way of Lazarus. Now he is being comforted here while you are in agony.*

COLLECT: O God, who manifest your almighty power above all by pardoning and showing mercy, bestow, we pray, your grace abundantly upon us and make those hastening to attain your promises heirs to the treasures of heaven.

### **From The Presbytery Window**

#### **It is the Lord Who Keeps Faith for ever**

Our faith in the Lord calls us to act with justice and integrity at all times. Our readings present a stark call to wake up from complacency and comfort so we may focus our lives on the Lord and respond with compassion and love to the needs of the poor. The prophet Amos warns all those who revel in fine living and the safety of material things; theirs is a false sense of security and they have no care for those less fortunate. In contrast, Psalm 145 sings of the faithfulness and justice of the Lord who feeds the hungry, sets prisoners free, heals the wounded and comforts those who mourn. In his letter to Timothy, Paul reminds us to centre our lives on Christ, in so doing be filled with faith, love, patience and gentleness. Jesus' parable echoes the Amos' warnings. Here the powerful teaching of Jesus tackles head on the perennial challenge of wealth and poverty. The wisdom of the prophets speaks of an eternal truth Jesus embodied in his Gospel values, actions and teaching. Jesus also speaks as a prophet: for some, the truth of his Gospel and Resurrection will not be enough for them to let go of their reliance on material wealth and security. This week we pray for each other so we may have the grace and strength to remain centred on Christ. May our prayer life lead us to respond with compassionate action for the needs of our less fortunate sisters and brothers across the world.

*Fr Jimmy*

#### **POPE'S PRAYER NETWORK, SEPTEMBER PRAYER INTENTIONS:**

For the abolition of the death penalty: We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country. Amen.

## **ST BERNADETTE RELIC TOUR, STEVENAGE**

The relics of St Bernadette will arrive at St Joseph's, Stevenage, on Monday 17th October at 1pm. A number of services will be celebrated on the day.

**Monday 17th October:** Welcome Liturgy 1pm; Rosary 2pm; Service of Anointing of the Sick 3pm; Mass 5pm; Angelus and Rosary at 5.45pm; Solemn Mass with Bishop Paul McAleenan at 7pm followed by Procession; Meditation at 9pm; Mass at 10pm; Rosary at 10.45pm.

On **Tuesday 18th October** Church opens at 6am; Angelus and Rosary at 6.45am; Closing Mass at 7am; Pilgrim blessing at 7.45am. The relics will then depart at 8.15am. For full details of the tour, visit [www.stbernadette.org.uk](http://www.stbernadette.org.uk)

A group of pupils from St Thomas More Primary School will visit the relics.

***THE JOURNEY WE SHARE*** faith-sharing resource by Monsignor Peter Fleetwood will be available from mid-October.

## **MORNING PRAYERS**

Every morning, Mon– Sat, at 9.10am, a group of parishioners meet before the daily Mass to say Morning Prayers. It is a wonderful opportunity to start the day refreshed and uplifted. Everyone is welcome to join.

## **UNIVERSITY CATHOLIC CHAPLAINCY**

Are you a student at university or college in London, or in Hatfield? Our Catholic Chaplaincy is for you! It's based at Newman House, 111 Gower Street, WC1E 6AR. We have Sunday Masses for students and regular events during the week. In many of the universities and colleges we also have campus-based Catholic societies and activities. Go to:

[www.universitycatholic.net](http://www.universitycatholic.net) to find out more. If you are a full-time student (undergraduate or graduate student) heading to a university outside London, then why not take a look at <https://www.catholicsatuniversity.org.uk/> to identify the Catholic chaplaincy in your place of study. Your Catholic chaplains will look forward to meeting you!

## **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

Please join us on Tue 15th November in the St Hilda's Room for a Parish Council Meeting to discuss ways to bring our community together and keep our Parish thriving. Covid put a huge dent in our resources in terms of participation and community. We would like to rekindle the wonderful spirit our congregation has had for years. We know it is still there, it just needs reigniting. How wonderful it is to be able to meet again!

## **CAFOD PAKISTAN APPEAL**

Record monsoon rains and flash flooding across Pakistan have affected thirty million people have, with 10 million people left homeless, 200 bridges and roads have collapsed and around 800,000 livestock have perished. Donate to the Pakistan Floods Appeal to support those affected and get funds to local experts who are already working alongside communities helping those most in need. Your gift will support people with immediate food and emergency medical assistance. [Catholic international development charity | CAFOD](http://Catholic international development charity | CAFOD)

## **SJHN OPEN EVENING**

The Saint John Henry Newman School warmly invites parents of Year 6 pupils to an Open Evening on Thursday 29th September, from 5.30 – 8.30 pm. Prospectuses and Application Forms will be available on the evening and there will be two opportunities to attend the Headteacher's address at 6.30pm and 7:30pm. There will be opportunities for parents to view the School the following week. The last tour will be at 7:00pm and the school will close to visitors once the final Headteacher's address starts at 7:30pm.

## **MARRIAGE PREPARATION**

At Our Lady's in Hitchin on Saturday 29 October 2022, 10am to 4pm. Anyone considering marriage in the church in 2023 should book onto a course. To book please email [catholicmarriageprep@outlook.com](mailto:catholicmarriageprep@outlook.com) with your full names. **The fee is £60 per couple.**

## **MASS INTENTIONS -**

*Saturday 24th September to Sunday 2nd October 2022*

Saturday 24th September

6.00pm: Maria Calcasola RIP

**Sunday 25th September**

9.30am: People of the Parish

11.30am: Pam Whyte RIP

Monday 26th September

9.30am: Fr John O'Malley SJ RIP

Tuesday 27th September

9.30am: Cara Meehan RIP

Wednesday 28th September

9.30am: Laurie Symonds INT

Thursday 29th September

9.30am: Margaret Richards RIP

Friday 30th September

9.30am Leslie and Betty Henry RIP

Saturday 1st October

9.30: Mary Quinn RIP

6.00pm: People of the Parish

**Sunday 2nd October**

9.30am: Paolo & Massimo Puosi RIP

11.30am: Leonardo Antonaci RIP

**MASS BOOKINGS** are available for the month of October.

## **CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY**

Family Fast Day is on **Friday 7 October**. Join together with your parish, friends and family so that families around the world survive today and have food for all their tomorrows. By sharing a simple meal and giving what you save, you'll be standing in solidarity with vulnerable people who are threatened by the global food crisis. No-one deserves to go hungry. Tania Dalton will be speaking about the fantastic work of CAFOD at Masses on 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Oct.

## **EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS NEEDED**

We are very lucky to have a great Eucharistic Ministers Team. Please consider joining them so we can reach out to more house-bound parishioners. This is a flexible commitment and very rewarding.

## **NEW STATUES of BVM**

Our parish has recently been entrusted with two beautiful statues of the Blessed Virgin

Mary. These were part of St Michael the Archangel CoE Church, which sadly was closed down. The congregation turned to us to ask if we could keep the statues safe for them and, if possible, display them for St Michael's parishioners to come and pray. One statue is of Our Lady of Walsingham. The other statue is of Our Lady with the Infant Jesus. Please check our website for more info on them. We are happy to be entrusted by the Anglican Diocese of St Alban's with the care and safe-keeping of these beautiful pieces and we are touched that St Michael's congregation turned to us, their neighbours across the Broadway Gardens. We hope they will feel welcome to come and join us any time they want and they will find a bit of "Home" in our midst.

## **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>

## **St HUGH's CHILDREN'S LITURGY**

Our Children's Liturgy team are currently seeking volunteers to help run the Sunday morning sessions during 9.30 mass. If you love working with children and are able to commit to at least one Sunday per half term, please come along to one of our sessions and have a chat with a member of the team. Or email us at [sthughschildrensliturgy@gmail.com](mailto:sthughschildrensliturgy@gmail.com)

## **FLAME 2023 – CATHOLIC YOUTH MINISTRY EVENT AT WEMBLEY**

The theme of Flame 2023 is "Rise Up!" An impressive line-up of musicians, speakers and entertainers. The Early Bird Price, £24, is available till 31<sup>st</sup> Oct. Age: 14 and over. Book here: [Flame 2023 Passes – Early Bird – CYMFed](#)

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

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

**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 August 2022:** in church collection total: £2066.15. Thank you for your generosity and continued support.

**Dates for your diary:**

Sun 25th Sept	World Day of Migrants and Refugees
Mon 17th -Tue 18th Oct	Relics of St Bernadette at St Joseph's, Stevenage
Fri 7th Oct	Cafod Harvest Fast Day
Sun 23rd Oct	World Mission Day
Tue 15th Nov	Parish Council Meeting 8pm

**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)

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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.