

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.



THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, 6TH NOVEMBER 2022

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FIRST READING: 2 Maccabees 7: 1-2, 9-14

The King of the world will raise us up to live again for ever.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 16: 1, 5-6, 8, 15 R v 15

I shall be filled, when I awake, with the sight of your glory, O Lord.

SECOND READING: 2 Thessalonians 2: 16– 3:5

May the Lord strengthen you in everything good that you do or say.

GOSPEL: Luke 20: 27-38

He is God, not of the dead, but of the living.

COLLECT: Almighty and merciful God, graciously keep us from all adversity, so that, unhindered in mind and body alike, we may pursue in freedom of heart the things that are yours.

From The Presbytery Window

Guard me as the apple of your eye. Hide me in the shadow of your wings.

As we move towards the end of the liturgical year, the readings invite us to think about endings. We do so not in a fearful way, but with an invitation to hope and trust in the God of resurrection and life. The Book of Maccabees tells of a valiant mother who, strong in her hope of the resurrection, encourages her faith-filled sons to suffer martyrdom rather than be unfaithful to God. Jesus, answering the sly question posed by the Saducees, demonstrates they have not even begun to understand the transformation of life after the resurrection. Heaven is about union with the God who is Lord of life and of the living. Paul prays our Lord and Father may strengthen the young Christian community of Thessalonica with the grace of strength, comfort and hope. He warns them to be alert to ‘the interference of bigoted and evil people’, who would prevent the Lord’s message of love spreading quickly throughout the world. Psalm 16 is a prayer of trust in God and appeals for deliverance from enemies who have wrongfully accused the psalmist. The images used to describe God are both intimate and striking. This week we pray for innocent people who suffer imprisonment, torture and death. We also pray Christ Jesus’s message of love and compassion may spread quickly throughout the world.

Fr Jimmy

POPE’S PRAYER NETWORK, NOVEMBER PRAYER INTENTIONS:

For children who suffer

We pray for children who are suffering, especially those who are homeless, orphans, and victims of war; may they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection.

FUNERALS

The Funeral Mass for Steve Weaver will be held on Monday 7th November at 10.30am. The Funeral Mass for Giuseppe Tirelli will be held on Monday 14th November at 10.30am. May they rest in peace and rise in glory. No 9.30am Mass on those days.

ST Hugh's TODDLERS' GROUP

With Fortescue Hall ready to welcome back our community, we feel it is time to start some of the wonderful parish activities we used to run before Covid. The Toddlers' Group has been, without a doubt, one of the best resources offered by our parish to the wider community. A safe, welcoming space for little children and their grown-ups. We are looking to start up again from the beginning of December. Volunteers are needed to support the Group Leader, Cecilia, as this is not a one-person role. We would also like to invite our retired parishioners to join the group for a cup of tea or coffee and maybe lend a hand getting the snacks ready for the little ones. If you are interested in taking part, email: Letchworth@rcdow.org.uk or pop in to see Emma.

MOTHER'S PRAYERS

Mother's Prayers group is held every Monday morning after 9.30am Mass in St Hilda's Room. Tea and coffee is served beforehand. All mothers and grandmothers are welcome.

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

STM QUIZ NIGHT

Fri 11th November join the STM PA for an evening of fun in support of our primary School. Make up a team of 6-10 players and see who gets First Prize or the infamous Wooden Spoon for last place. £10 a ticket buys entry and a grazing board. Doors open at 7.30pm and the quiz starts at 8pm. Email pa@stmlethworth.co.uk

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Please join us on Tue 15th November at 8pm 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!

BAPTISM COURSE: Sun 20th November after 9.30am Mass in the St Hilda's Room.

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.

HOMES FOR UKRAINE

The government asked families in the UK to open their homes to Ukrainian refugees for a minimum of 6 months. Many UK families generously hosted for this amount of time. The BAAAU (Baldock and Ashwell Action Aid-Ukraine) are now looking for new homes in this area. A mother and 15 year old daughter need a home as soon as possible. If you are interested in hosting or know someone who might be interested please contact: Aygulka at paygulechka21@gmail.com, Vivienne Reed 07815308124 or Clare Davis 07816061416

JOURNEY OF FAITH - RCIA

Many people know someone amongst their family or friends who has expressed an interest in becoming a Catholic; maybe you are a non-Catholic Christian accompanying your family to Church and now feel drawn to become part of this community of faith. Perhaps your roots are in another religion, or none. Maybe you are a Baptised Catholic but never received the Sacrament of Confirmation. We encourage you to make contact with Fr Jimmy at the Parish House to discuss becoming a Catholic, or to encourage the person you know to do so.

RCIA is both a learning and teaching programme helping those who would like to know more about the Catholic faith and might be thinking about becoming a Catholic. To be a full member of the Catholic Church you need to complete the process of Christian Initiation, which includes receiving the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and the Eucharist.

MASS INTENTIONS -

Saturday 5th to Sunday 13th November 2022

Saturday 5th November

6.00pm: Kajetan Migdal RIP

Sunday 6th November

9.30am: People of the Parish

11.30am: Leonardo Antonaci RIP

Monday 7th November

10.30am: Funeral Mass Steve Weaver RIP

Tuesday 8th November

9.30am Maureen Bukle INT

Wednesday 9th November

9.30am: Tom Sinnott INT

Thursday 10th November

9.30am: Maria Grant INT

Friday 11th November

9.30am Giulio Parravicini RIP

Saturday 12th November

9.30: Catherine & Kenneth Lowthian RIP

6.00pm: Saverio & Giuseppa RIP

Sunday 13th November

9.30am: Francesco & Emma Pucci RIP

11.30am: People of the Parish

MASS BOOKINGS are available from the second week of December.

CAFOD PAKISTAN APPEAL

Record monsoon rains and flash flooding across Pakistan have affected thirty million people. To donate to the Pakistan Floods Appeal: [Catholic international development charity](https://www.catholicinternationaldevelopmentcharity.org.uk/) | [CAFOD](https://www.cafod.org/)

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](https://cafod.org.uk/Give/Donate-to-Emergencies/Ukraine-Humanitarian-Appeal)

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

Open to all. Every Wednesday 2-3pm at Our Lady's Church Hitchin- inside church. Meet like-minded people and have a moment to connect with God contact Rob for more information: roberthitchcock@rcdow.org.uk or 07862 764 884

THE SICK & RETIRED PRIESTS' COLLECTION IS TODAY

The second collection today (Sun 6.11.22) will be for the sick and retired priests of our Diocese. Most priests offer their resignation at 75, but many continue to serve in our schools, hospitals, hospices and parishes. By supporting the Sick & Retired Priests' Fund, you can help cover essential costs and give them peace of mind that in the event of an emergency, their needs will be met. This is our chance to say thank you to our sick and retired priests who have given so much. You will find a donation envelope at the back of the church today. We will keep our collection going for the next two weeks to give everyone ample opportunity to make a contribution. Please continue to pray for the wellbeing of all of our clergy: active, retired and ill. You can donate online at www.rcdow.org.uk/donations - the envelopes and posters feature a 'QR Code' that you can scan with a phone camera to give online.

SASH (Seniors at St. Hugh)

The next meeting is on 10th November we will discuss 'Military service (anytime, anywhere) in our family'. Future meetings: 24th November - making an Advent arrangement; 8th December – Scrabble; 22nd December - Family tips for Christmas, plus Carols and mince pies.

If you have recently retired, or moved to this Parish or used to attend the group before the dreaded Covid, or for any other reason, then why not give us a try? The SASH group meets on Thu at 2.30pm in the St Hilda's Room.

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	Sarah Moore

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.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 October 2022: the total collection for the month of October is £7542.03, including standing orders and in church donations. Thank you for your

Dates for your diary:

Tue 15th Nov	Parish Council Meeting 8pm
Thu 17th Nov	Memorial of St Hugh of Lincoln
Sun 20th Nov	Baptism Course after 9.30am Mass in the St Hilda's Room
Sun 27th Nov	STM Christmas Market at Fortescue Hall 10am - 3pm
Thu 8th Dec	Solemnity of The Immaculate Conception

Our Catholic Schools

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

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

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

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

Safeguarding Officer - Rebecca Clarke 01462 646636 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

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.