

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-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, 13TH NOVEMBER 2022

Parish Mass Book Year C Vol 2 Page 164 Psalter Week 1

FIRST READING: Malachi 3:19-20

For you the sun of righteousness will shine out.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 97: 5-9 cf v 9

The Lord comes to rule the peoples with fairness.

SECOND READING: 2 Thessalonians 3: 7-12

Do not let anyone have food if he refuses to work.

GOSPEL: Luke 21: 5-19

Your endurance will win you your lives.

COLLECT: Grant us, we pray, O Lord our God, the constant gladness of being devoted to you, for it is full and lasting happiness to serve with constancy the author of all that is good.

From The Presbytery Window

For You the Sun of Righteousness will Shine Out with Healing in its Rays

As we approach the end of the Church's year, our readings lead us to think about the passage of time and the end of the world. Though outwardly daunting, they provide a message of hope for those who stay faithful to God's love. The prophet Malachi uses stark imagery to portray the fate of those who do not respect the Lord. But the ones who remain faithful to him will see the day which is coming as a time of joy and healing. Jesus predicts the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem, but tells us not to fear wars, persecution and natural disasters. While these things may seem like the end, in fact they are not. He cautions us not to be deceived by those claiming, 'the time has come'. Even when in difficulty, we are not to worry about what to say, the Spirit of Jesus will give us words and wisdom as we bear witness to Christ. By staying secure in the love God has for us, we will be held safe. Paul presents himself as a model to the Thessalonian church, spreading the Good News and earning his keep. He stresses the importance of the whole community working for the good of all, rather than sitting around thinking about the future. Psalm 97 provides the certainty of the Lord's coming, when justice will prevail. All creation is invited to join in the joyful proclamation of that coming. This week we can pray for trust and inner strength, keeping Christ at our side and responding to him in every moment of our lives, as we continue to pray for the peace of 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. Amen.

FUNERALS

The Funeral Mass for Giuseppe Tirelli will be held on Monday 14th November at 10.30am. May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

Sr JOAN's MEMORIAL MASS

A Memorial Mass for Sr Joan will be held at St Francis College Chapel on 17th December at 10.30am. Parishioners are invited to attend. Please note that a Mass for Sr Joan is also being offered at St Hugh on 20th November at 11.30am.

ST Hugh's TODDLERS' GROUP

Our Toddlers' Group is set 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. This is an invaluable resource our parish has offered for many years to the wider community. In the current crisis, it is particularly important to offer a warm, safe space for young families. 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.

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 sthughschilchildrensliturgy@gmail.com

STM CHRISTMAS MARKET

On Sunday 27th November, the congregation is invited to the Christmas Market organised by the St Thomas More Parents' Association. A great line-up of local traders and artisans, lovely food and wonderful entertainment for the children. It is the best way to kick off the Christmas Season with this traditional community event. If you can support this initiative by volunteering an hour of your time to man one of the PA stalls or the kitchen, please get in touch with the parish office. All help is very gratefully received.

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 -

Sat 12th to Sun 20th November 2022

Saturday 12th November

6.00pm: Saverio & Giuseppa RIP

Sunday 12th November

9.30am: Francesco & Emma Pucci RIP

11.30am: People of the Parish

Monday 14th November

10.30am: Funeral Mass Giuseppe Tirelli RIP

Tuesday 15th November

9.30am Holy Souls

Wednesday 16th November

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Thursday 17th November - St Hugh of Lincoln

9.30am: People of the Parish

Friday 18th November

9.30am Luigi Rizzo RIP

Saturday 19th November

9.30: Veronica Mary Barry RIP

6.00pm: Kathleen Bourke RIP

Sunday 20th November

9.30am: People of the Parish

11.30am: Sr Joan Yates SCJM RIP

MASS BOOKINGS are available from the first week of January.

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 | CAFOD](https://www.catholicinternationaldevelopmentcharity.org.uk/)

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.caritaswestminster.org.uk/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

SASH (Seniors at St. Hugh)

SASH 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.

WEEKDAY MASS IN ST HILDA ROOM

In an effort to save on the cost of utilities, weekday Masses are now celebrated in the St Hilda Room. Funeral Masses and Masses attended by our school will be held in church as normal.

MASS TIME CHANGE

On Wed 7th December and Saturday 24th December, morning Mass will start at 9am.

CHRISTMAS RECONCILIATION SERVICE

Wed 14th December at 7.30pm.

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.

HOMELESS NETWORK MEETING - TRAUMA INFORMED CARE

Thursday 24th November 2022, 15:30 - 17:00, Online

For info: [Homeless Network meeting - Trauma Informed Care | Caritas Westminster](#)

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
Liam Prendergast	

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

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

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
Wed 14th Dec	Parish Reconciliation Service 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 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.