

# 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.



## **LAST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, 20TH NOVEMBER 2022**

### **OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE**

#### **Parish Mass Book Year C Vol 2 Page 167 Psalter Week 2**

FIRST READING: Samuel 5:1-3

*They anointed David king of Israel.*

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 121: 1-5. cf v 2

I rejoiced when I heard them say:” Let us go to God’s house.”

SECOND READING: Colossians 1: 12-20

*He has created a place for us in the kingdom of the Son that he loves.*

GOSPEL: Luke 23: 35-43

*Lord remember me when you come into your kingdom.*

COLLECT: Almighty ever-living God, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the King of the universe, grant, we pray, that the whole creation, set free from slavery, may render your majesty service and ceaselessly proclaim your praise.

### **From The Presbytery Window**

#### **Lord Jesus, Remember Me**

As we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King we prepare to crown a new King for the United Kingdom. May we learn what being ‘King’ means for Jesus. We may be surprised! The second book of Samuel describes the anointing of David as King of Israel. His people see him as ‘one of us’, a person who has led and shepherded them. The Gospel describes the reactions of people to the crucifixion of Jesus. We witness the humility of the thief who recognises his poverty and wrongdoing, quietly asking Jesus to remember him. Psalm 121 is full of rejoicing and praise as the people of God sing in procession to the house of the Lord to celebrate their freedom. Paul speaks of the grace and joy which comes to us through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. In Christ, we gain our freedom through the forgiveness of our sin. We pray to know from the depths of our heart we are loved and forgiven sinners, welcomed by God into the light of his glory and joy. We continue to pray for the peace of the world and for all who suffer.

*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.

Please watch His Holiness message here: [The Pope Video, November Intentions – Roman Catholic Parish of Letchworth Garden City \(rcdow.org.uk\)](#)

### **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](mailto:Letchworth@rcdow.org.uk) or pop in to see Emma.

### **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, refreshments 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 donating a bottle towards our Tombola get in touch with the parish office. All help is very gratefully received.

### **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.

### **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.

### **FINANCE COMMITTEE NEWS**

We welcome Morlai and Eugene who have stepped up and taken on, respectively, the roles of Gift Aid Coordinator and Data Protection

Officer. These are mandatory roles each parish must have in place. Join us in keeping Morlai, Eugene and their families in our prayers of thanksgiving for their ministry.

### **PARISH MEETING**

Thank you to all who came and supported the parish on Tuesday evening. It was a good turn out and many valid points were raised. The parish is open to suggestions and looking forward to welcoming our wider community. Attendance is up and having Fortescue Hall back will significantly and positively impact the way our congregation comes together. We look forward to seeing many more of you at the next Parish Meeting on 31st January 2023 at 8pm.

### **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](mailto:paygulechka21@gmail.com), Vivienne Reed 07815308124 or Clare Davis 07816061416

### **THANK YOU FROM GARDEN HOUSE HOSPICE**

Thank you to all the parishioners that supported the Cakes for the Hospice initiative. We received a lovely card from the team there and they are very grateful for the support. We thank Trish Haines for organising this lovely outreach initiative.

### **FORTESCUE HALL**

Our hall is now available to be hired. Our new rates are: Mon- Fri Parishioner: £17; Organisation:£20.

Saturday/Sunday daytime only: Parishioner: £20; Organisation: £25

### **MASS INTENTIONS -**

*Sat 19th to Sun 27th November 2022*

Saturday 19th November

6.00pm: Kathleen Bourke RIP

**Sunday 20th November**

9.30am: People of the Parish

11.30am: Sr Joan Yates SCJM RIP

Monday 21st November

10.30am: Holy Souls

Tuesday 22nd November

9.30am Mary Quinn RIP

Wednesday 23rd November

9.30am: Holy Souls

Thursday 24th November

9.30am: Holy Souls

Friday 25th November

9.30am Holy Souls

Saturday 26th November

9.30: Tonina Rizzo RIP

6.00pm: Ramatoulie Faye INT

**Sunday 27th November**

9.30am: People of the Parish

11.30am: Margaret Fitzgerald INT

**MASS BOOKINGS** are available from the second 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.caritasvs.org.uk/refugee-response.php), : <https://www.caritasvs.org.uk/refugee-response.php>

Ukrainian Eparchy's financial appeal:

<https://www.ucc-gb.com/post/helpukraine-emergency-appeal> [CAFOD:https://www.cafod.org.uk/Give/Donate-to-Emergencies/Ukraine-Humanitarian-Appeal](https://www.cafod.org.uk/Give/Donate-to-Emergencies/Ukraine-Humanitarian-Appeal)

### **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.

### **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.

### **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](https://www.caritaswestminster.org.uk/homeless-network-meeting-trauma-informed-care)

### **CAFOD WORLD GIFTS**

Give a gift of hope this Christmas. In Advent, let's share the promise of hope that has been made to us with our sisters and brothers around the world. You can buy CAFOD's World Gifts for family and friends this Christmas online at [https:// world-gifts.cafod.org.uk/](https://world-gifts.cafod.org.uk/) or pick up a catalogue in church. World Gifts such as "super soup kitchens", "trees for life", or "water for a family" will help transform lives in a world filled with challenges.

### **WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT**

Christmas Celebration The annual Christmas Celebration concerts at Westminster Cathedral will take place this year on Tuesday 20th and Wednesday 21st December. For tickets, visit [www.westminstercathedral.org.uk](http://www.westminstercathedral.org.uk).

**SVP Awareness** The SVP offer a range of free online taster sessions including : 'care leavers', 'end of life companionship', 'social justice', 'holiday camps', and 'support for refugees and migrants'. For further information visit [www.svp.org.uk/discover](http://www.svp.org.uk/discover). If you are aware of a need, please contact them at [request@svp.org.uk](mailto:request@svp.org.uk).

**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	Brenda Kedge

**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](http://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 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:**

Sun 20th Nov	Baptism Course after 9.30am Mass in the St Hilda 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
Tue 31st Jan	Parish Meeting 8pm, St Hilda Room

**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.