

ST HUGH OF LINCOLN RC CHURCH

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Parish Office: Monday 9.00-2.30pm, Tuesday 9.00 -2pm and Thursday 9.00-2.30pm

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.



SUNDAY 23rd June 2024, 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Parish Mass Book Year B Vol 2 page 98 Psalter week 4

FIRST READING: Job 38: 1, 8-11

Here your proud waves shall break.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 106: 23-26, 28-31 response v 1

O give thanks to the Lord, for his love endures forever.

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 5: 14-17

Now the new creation is here

GOSPEL: Mark 4: 35-41

Who can this be? Even the wind and the sea obey him.

COLLECT: Grant, O Lord, that we may always revere and love your holy name, for you never deprive of your guidance those you set firm on the foundation of your love. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

'Who can this man be?'

Our readings provide an opportunity to focus on trust in God with great courage and hope. Three of the texts demonstrate the Lord's power over the sea, and his care for us. The Lord responds to Job's complaints that he has been punished unjustly. God reminds Job of God's divine power over creation. God's control over nature is echoed in the Gospel as Jesus calms the storm on the lake. The disciples panic as the gale takes hold, awakening Jesus, who chides them for their lack of faith. They are filled with awe as Jesus stills the waves, asking, 'Who can this be?' Psalm 106 tells of sailors' fear as their frail boats are buffeted by the winds and waves, but they give thanks to the Lord for his loving care as he leads them to a safe haven. St Paul expresses his gratitude for the overwhelming love of Christ, through whose life, death and resurrection we are offered a new creation. This week we pray for an increasing awareness of the Lord's constant presence in our lives. We can express our gratitude for his love in the words of Psalm 104's refrain; O give thanks to the Lord, for his love endures for ever. *St Beuno's Outreach*

POPE'S JUNE INTENTIONS—FOR MIGRANTS FLEEING THEIR HOMES

We pray that migrants fleeing from war or hunger, forced to undertake journeys full of danger and violence, find welcome and new opportunities in the countries that receive them.

Amen

FUNERAL MASS

We pray for the peaceful repose of Eddie Keogh, for his wife Joan and for all his family and friends, and parishioners who mourn his passing. Eddie died on 10th June. Reception of his Body will be on Sun 30th June at 5pm and the Funeral Mass on Mon 1st July at 10.30am.

FRIDAY 5th July Mass will be celebrated at 11.30am

SUMMER MASS TIMES

From Sunday 28th July to Sunday 25th August, inclusive, the 9.30am and 11.30am Masses on Sunday, will be combined into one sung Mass at 10.30am.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM

The annual Diocesan pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady at Walsingham will take place this year on Saturday, 21st September. Fr Philip from Royston will be accompanying us. Tickets are £25 per adult, £15 for children from 6 to 12 years of age and free under 6. Half the seats have already been pre-booked by Royston so please hurry and reserve a seat if you intend to go. We will leave at 8am from our church's carpark and make one stop only at Royston. Departure from Walsingham is expected to be around 4/4.30pm and again we will stop at Royston on the way back. Please contact the office to book your seat.

STM END OF THE SCHOOL YEAR AND YEAR 6 LEAVERS MASS

This Mass is at 2.00pm on Friday 12th July will mark the retirement the head-teacher, Mrs. Jane Perry after eleven years as Head and will be followed by a Reception in Fortescue Hall. Please note, there is no 9.30am Mass on this day.

STM SUMMER SPECTACULAR

We are all invited to this fantastic event on Sunday 7th July at St Thomas More school from 1pm to 4pm. Lots of entertainment, food, fun for all and a good wholesome family atmosphere. Lots of amazing prizes in the raffle, too, including vouchers for L'Artista, Royal Albert Hall tickets, gym passes, personal Training sessions and more. Please come along and support the school.

PARISH SHARED LUNCH

Come along and share lunch with fellow parishioners on Sun 21st July. More details to follow but please save the date for a fun, relaxed event among friends.

ROSARY for peace Every Friday at 10am

NORTH HERTS BOWLS CLUB

This club is looking for new members. The club runs at the Lower Green Norton Common every Monday from 2pm to 4pm. To celebrate the Letchworth Festival, an open afternoon on 24th June has been organised from 2pm to 4pm. No experience necessary and all equipment & tuition is provided. You're sure of a friendly welcome! Just turn up or ring John on 01462 684914.

LETCHWORTH OPEN GARDENS

Sunday 30th June 2024 from 11am to 5pm. Gardens will be open to visitors in the world's first Garden City covering every aspect of gardening and size of gardens. Some have quirky features, others more cottage style, some set around 1905 cottages. All proceeds to British Red Cross, the Garden House Hospice and other local charities. Tickets are £10.00 per adult and can be bought on the day from any garden (some gardens will have contactless payment facilities - see map on website) or in advance from David's Bookshop or Bickerdike's Garden Centre. There is a park and ride minibus service operating from the Arena carpark, entrance off Eastcheap, near Broadway cinema, operating approx. every 30mins.

THANKS FROM MISSIO

The National Director of Missio, Fr Anthony Chantry has written expressing his thanks to the diocese for the sum of £396,808 donated in 2023. The sum of £173,602 came from Missio's Red Boxes and £91,422 from the Mission Sunday collection. The Cardinal is equally grateful to all who have contributed to and continue to support the various aspects of Missio's work worldwide.

Fr TOM O'BRIEN'S 50th ANNIVERSARY

Fr Tom from Hitchin parish is celebrating 50 years of priesthood on Saturday 6th July at 12noon with a Mass at Our Lady's. Please keep him in your prayers on this truly remarkable milestone!

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 22nd to Sun 30th June 2024

Saturday 22nd June

6pm: Mabel & Jack Mills RIP

Sunday 23rd June—11th Ordinary Time

9.30am: Richard Smithers RIP

11.30am: People of the Parish

Monday 24th June—Nativity of St John the Baptist

9.30am: Hilary & Therese Brohier

Tuesday 25th June

11.30am: Private Intention

Wednesday 26th June

9.30am: Pauline Doran INT

Thursday 27th June

9.30am: Fr George Towler RIP

Friday 28th June

9.30am: Godfrey Canagasuriam RIP

Saturday 29th June

9.30am: Pauline Doran INT

6pm: Denis Marrinan RIP

Sunday 30th June—SS Peter & Paul

9.30am: People of the parish

11.30am: Iris Pompey RIP

MASS BOOKINGS are available from July. When booking a Mass, please let the office know if you are able to Gift Aid.

REPOSITORY

Cards for various occasions. The boxes are located in the St Hilda Room. Prices vary, please check the dividers and leave money in the honesty box. Thank you.

CATHOLIC MEDITATION GROUP

Our group meets on Tuesdays at 5pm for an hour in the St Hilda room. Meetings consist of a short reading, followed by meditation and conclude with a time of reflection and discussion. All welcome.

MOTHER'S PRAYERS

This lovely group for mothers of all ages is held every Monday morning after 9.30am Mass in St Hilda Room. It isn't a playgroup, but a chance to socialise and pray together for mothers and grandmothers. Tea and coffee available. In case of a Funeral on Monday, the group will be held on the Tuesday.

DANCE FITNESS CLASSES FOR SENIORS

Fortescue Hall on Friday 10.45am after morning Mass. Come and have fun with upbeat music routines. This class can be taken standing or

sitting down. It's a chance to keep fit and catch up with friends. £5 per session on the day, no need to subscribe or pay in advance. Classes have been confirmed till October half term.

BAPTISM PREPARATION SESSION:

15th September 2024 after 9.30am Mass in the St Hilda Room..

FOODBANK SHORTAGES

All donations are, as always, welcome. The items listed are the most urgently needed for the current month. UHT Milk (Whole or Semi-Skimmed), Dried Milk, Tinned Potatoes, 500gm Sugar, Tinned Tomatoes, Hair Conditioner. Thank you for your continued support.

EUCCHARISTIC FESTIVAL AT WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL

On Saturday 14th September, the Feast of the Holy Cross, Cardinal Nichols invites everyone to a Eucharistic Festival in the Cathedral, starting at 2pm and finishing around 4pm. The afternoon will include Adoration, Rosary, Confessions and a Procession of the Blessed Sacrament, as well as sermons from Fr Alan Robinson, Rector of the Diocesan Shrine of the Blessed Sacrament in Maiden Lane, and Bishop Nicholas Hudson, who will impart Pontifical Benediction at the end of the Procession. There will be an opportunity for everyone to venerate a relic of Bl Carlo Acutis, whose Canonisation has recently been announced.

SPONSOR A LOURDES WHEELCHAIR

The diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes is in need of new wheelchairs to transport the Assisted Pilgrims during the pilgrimage. Each wheelchair costs £139. If anyone would like to sponsor a wheelchair in memory of someone, then please contact Elizabeth Uwalaka in the Pilgrimage Office on: elizabethuwalaka@rcdow.org.uk or 0207 798 9173 for further details.

RESTORE NATURE NOW is a peaceful, family-friendly march on Saturday June 22 to demand that all political parties commit to do the right thing for nature in the run up to the General Election. The march is supported by over 250 conservation and environmental organisations. There will be an ecumenical service at Farm Street church at 11 a.m.

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

Nora Ivers	Pat Davies
Richard Parker	Anne Hudson
Stephen Prohaszka	Angela Horne
Aron Haughton	Anthony Horne
George Marston	Philomena Johnson
Joe Fernandes	Margaret Haywood
Willie Hudson	Kay McKenna
Mary Wallace	Rosie Child
Harper Draper	Hannah Draper
Charles McCann	Phil Garvey-McGovern
Mary Sutton	Bob Pitman

Easy Giving: We are in the process of fixing the Contactless Machine in the Church porch. In the meantime, you may give via our parish website; www.pariah.rcdow.org.uk/letchworth . If you are in a position to Gift Aid your donations, please email the office to complete a declaration. Gift Aid allows us to claim some money back at no extra cost to you. Thank you for your generosity.

Standing Order: Making your offering to the Church by Standing Order is simple and enables the Finance Committee with Fr Jimmy to plan parish finances accurately. Please contact the Parish Office if you would like information about giving by Standing Order.

Collection Total June: £7,368.83 inclusive of standing orders, contactless and collections. Thank you for your continued generosity.

UNIVERSAL CATHOLIC WEEKLY: copies of this Catholic newspaper are now on sale in the porch, £3.50 per copy. Thank you.

Dates for your Diary:

Sun 7th Jul	STM Summer Spectacular 1pm to 4 pm
Fri 12th Jul	STM Year Six Leavers' Mass, 2pm
Sun 21st Jul	Parish Shared Lunch, more details to follow
Sat 10th Aug	Cream Tea for Kanyike, Fortescue Hall 3-5pm
Sun 8th Sept	Education Sunday
Sun 15th Sep	Baptism Preparation Course, St Hilda Room after 9.30am Mass
Sat 21st Sep	Pilgrimage to Walsingham—departure from St Hugh of Lincoln car park 8am.

Our Catholic Schools

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

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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.