

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 14th July 2024, 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time Parish Mass Book Year B Vol 2 page 106 Psalter week 3

FIRST READING: Amos 7: 12-15

Go, prophesy to my people.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 84: 9-14 response v 8

Let us see, O Lord, your mercy and give us your saving help.

SECOND READING: Ephesians 1: 3-14

Before the world was made, God chose us.

GOSPEL: Mark 6: 7-13

He began to send them out.

COLLECT: O God, who show the light of your truth to those who go astray, so that they may return to the right path, give all who for the faith they profess are accounted Christians the grace to reject whatever is contrary to the name of Christ and to strive after all that does it honour. 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.**

‘TAKE NOTHING FOR THE JOURNEY EXCEPT A STAFF’

Our readings invite us to reflect on the wonder of being chosen to be part of God’s plan. We hear how Amos, a shepherd, responds to God’s call to bear witness despite not being welcomed. He stands his ground, knowing his mission comes from the Lord. The Psalmist, giving thanks for the blessings his people have received, rejoices in the peace, justice, mercy, faithfulness and prosperity God gives to those who trust in him. St Paul explains to the Ephesians how we have always been a part of God’s plan. Because of the grace and blessings showered upon us, we have been freed from our sins and become adopted children of God. Mark relates how Jesus sends out his disciples to teach his message of love and forgiveness. Carrying nothing but a staff, they are to trust they will find welcome and hospitality in many places and remain undeterred by the rejection they will find elsewhere. We pray for the wisdom and insight to recognise the call of the Lord in our own lives. However ill-equipped we might feel, we ask for the courage and strength to step out, safe in the knowledge we are never alone and God will provide for us. *St Beunos Prego & Fr. Jimmy*

POPE’S JULY INTENTIONS—For the pastoral care of the sick

We pray that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick confer to those who receive it and their loved ones the power of the Lord and become ever more a visible sign of compassion and hope for all. Amen.

SATURDAY MORNING

No Mass, Adoration or Benediction till 31st August.

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 WAL-SINGHAM

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.

A MESSAGE from PAULINE

“Dear friends, I wish to thank all who were at my lunch on Sunday 30th June. I had a really lovely day and I hope that you enjoyed it, too. My sincere thanks to all of you for your lovely gifts and the wonderful Masses I received for my own intentions, and all the good wishes. Thank you for your kind gifts to my special charities, Cafod and Guide Dogs. Your kindness is very much appreciated. I was very honoured to have our two dear priests, Rev Frs Jimmy and Stephen (and you, too, Stella) as well as two lovely sisters, Elizabeth and Helen. Thank you so much for coming. There was a lot of laughter, so I think they all enjoyed the afternoon. You could say it was holy/happy event and I couldn't have asked for more. I also want to say a special thank you to my dear friends Trish and Bob who gave me so much help and without whom I could not have coped with it all. Thank you my darlings and God bless you always. Thanks again to all and may God bless you all.” *Our beloved Pauline, who has volunteered in this parish and her previous parishes all her life, turned 93*

on Saint Peter & Paul Day.

PARISH SHARED LUNCH

Parish Shared lunch, Fortescue Hall Sunday 21st June. Hall open from 12pm. Please bring a savoury or sweet dish to share and perhaps something to drink (tea, coffee and juice will be available in the hall) - we will aim to eat from 12.30 onwards. Everyone of any age very, very welcome. Come along for a relaxing friendly Sunday lunch.

BAPTISM PREPARATION SESSION:

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

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE IN HITCHIN

On Saturday 26th October from 10am-4pm.

Interested couples can get details and book by going onto the website

<https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/hitchin/sacramental-prep/marriage/>

For any questions email Trish Bonnett at trishbonnett@rcdow.org.uk

APPRENTISHIP WANTED

Thanks very much to our parishioners for all their support in providing much needed bikes, stationery and other bits for our refugee community. They have been much appreciated. Currently, am trying to find an apprenticeship for a very conscientious, hard-working 19 year old Syrian who is training to be a mechanic. He is fluent in English. Ideally, he would welcome work four days a week as has college on a Friday. If you, or anyone you know, could help, please email Sarah Martinelli at smartimjg@gmail.com and will send through his CV.

A NEW FUND IN MEMORY OF Fr DOMINIC McKENNA

We are delighted to announce that a parishioner of our Diocese, committed to food poverty and inspired by the true leadership of a wonderful priest, has helped establish a fund in memory of Fr Dominic McKenna (RIP) who devoted much of his ministry to support the poor and those who are victim of domestic abuse. The fund will underwrite Caritas Westminster's vouchers scheme with £100,000 for each of the next five years. We are excited that a pilot programme will be launched over the coming months.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 13th July to Sun 21st July 2024

Saturday 13th July

6pm: Claire Dwyer RIP

Sunday 14th July - 15th Sunday Ordinary Time

9.30am: People of the Parish

11.30am: Pauline Doran INT

Monday 15th July

9.30am: Claire Dwyer RIP

Tuesday 16th July

9.30am: Claire Dwyer RIP

Wednesday 17th July

9.30am: Fr Cedric Stanley RIP

Thursday 18th July

9.30am: Jim Whelan RIP

Friday 19th July

9.30am: Hilda Hogan RIP

Saturday 20th July

6pm: Luigi Rizzo RIP

Sunday 21st July—16th Sunday Ordinary Time

9.30am: People of the parish

11.30am: John Harrison RIP

MASS BOOKINGS : weekday Masses are available from the end of July; Weekend Masses are available from mid-September. When booking a Mass, please let the office know if you are able to Gift Aid.

ROSARY for peace Every Friday at 10am

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.

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.

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.

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.

TOGETHER FOR THE COMMON GOOD.

15 July, 6.30pm: Online Lecture with Jon Kuhrt, in memory of Frank Field - 'Grace, Truth and the Common Good: The Future of Christian Social Action'. Book tickets here [Grace, Truth and the Common Good: the Future of Christian Social Action Tickets, Mon 15 Jul 2024 at 18:30 | Eventbrite](#)

THE PRIEST'S TALE.

8 August, 7.30-9.30pm: Play with Q&A at the end. An evening remembering Hiroshima and Nagasaki. The riveting story of a miraculous suitcase, a daring escape and the devastation wreaked on a city in one instant by one bomb. Fr Wilhelm was a German Jesuit priest living in Hiroshima, who survived the blast but witnessed much of the destruction. He later succumbed to radiation sickness. Live musical accompaniment will be provided by London-based Japanese violinist Chihiro Ono. This event is supported by CND, donations shared by Sands Films and CND. Studio main stage, 82 St Marychurch Street, London, SE16 4HZ. [Book tickets](#)

FOODBANK SHORTAGES

All donations are, as always, welcome. The items listed are the most urgently needed for the current month. Pasta Sauce Instant Coffee (small & medium jars) Tinned Potatoes (medium tins), Tinned Rice/Custard, Tinned Soup, 500gm Sugar.

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: £6,786.97 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 21st Jul	Parish Shared Lunch, more details to follow
Sat 10th Aug	Cream Tea for Kanyike, Fortescue Hall 3-5pm
Thu 15th Aug	Assumption of BVM, Holy Day of Obligation. Masses 9.30am and 7.30pm
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

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 (retiring), Kate Hewitson (in training) 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.