

# 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 and 11.30am; 1pm Mass in Polish. Holy Day

Mass 9.30am & 7.30pm. Weekday Mass: Monday to Friday 9.30am. Morning Prayer: Monday to Friday

9.10am. Adoration & Confession Wednesday 10.00-10.30am Confession Saturday 5.15 to 5.45pm & on re-

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## **SUNDAY 13th October 2024, 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

### **Parish Mass Book Year B Vol 2 page 143 Psalter week 4**

FIRST READING: Wisdom 7: 7-11

Compared with wisdom, I held riches as nothing.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 89: 12-17 response v 14

Fill us with your love that we may rejoice.

SECOND READING: Hebrews 4: 12-13

The word of God can judge secret emotions and thoughts.

GOSPEL: Mark 10: 17-30

Go and sell everything you own and follow me.

COLLECT: May your grace, O Lord, we pray, at all times go before us and follow after and make us always determined to carry out good works. 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.**

## **‘FOR PEOPLE IT IS IMPOSSIBLE ... BUT EVERYTHING IS POSSIBLE FOR GOD.’**

Today’s readings stress the need for wisdom when discerning our priorities. They challenge us to see the world and our place in it through the lens of wisdom.

The First Reading says that wisdom, God’s greatest gift, is more valuable than anything else; having wisdom means possessing all things. Wisdom is personified; she is God’s own self for us.

The Psalm teaches us to value our days and to use wisely the gifts therein.

The Second Reading shows how God’s word can read our deepest thoughts and intentions. It is the Word of God, enfleshed in Jesus of Nazareth, that discerns the priorities of the rich young man in the Gospel. Because nothing is hidden from God, the wealthy man is seen, and sees himself held accountable. He is invited to perceive the distractions his great wealth brings, and to receive the riches of deep relationship with Christ.

This week, let’s pray that we might be open to the irresistible Word and Wisdom of God; that we might let ourselves be discerned and challenged; that we may become truly rich in Christ. *St Beuno Prego*

## **FOR A SHARED MISSION - October 2024**

We pray that the Church continue to sustain in all ways a Synodal lifestyle, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, the communion and the mission shared among priests, religious and lay people.

**SATURDAY MORNING** No Mass, Adoration or Benediction till Advent.

## **ROSARY**

Every Friday at 10am, after Mass.

## **OCTOBER - ROSARY MONTH**

October is the "Month of the Rosary" because in this month the Church celebrates the Marian advocacy of "Our Lady of the Rosary" on 7th October. St. John Paul II called the rosary his favourite prayer, "in which we meditate with Mary upon the mysteries which she as a Mother meditated on in her heart (Lk. 2:19)." You are warmly invited to join our Rosary group on Friday.

## **THANK YOU**

Alex and Allegra for representing St Hugh of Lincoln at the National Mass for Altar Servers at Westminster Cathedral on Sat 5th October.



Thank you to STM Year 6 and Year 5 for coming to Mass on Mon and Thu. We look forward to seeing other classes next week. Thanks to all who supported the Eagles Football club's bake sale: a wonderful £600 was raised from the cakes and the associated online fundraiser.

## **SUNDAY 17th NOVEMBER—St Hugh Of Lincoln's Feast**

On the Feast of St Hugh of Lincoln, there will be one Sunday morning High Mass at 10.30am presided by Bishop Hudson. In addition to celebrating our patron Saint, we will

be celebrating our beloved Alex Rebello who is finally getting his long overdue **Guild of St Stephen Gold Medal**. Please join us in Fortescue Hall after Mass for refreshments and a chance to see the original architectural drawings of our Hall commissioned by Fr Fortescue. Please let the parish office know if you have an easel we can borrow to display the drawings. We will need at least four.

**STM QUIZ NIGHT:** Friday 18th October This is such a fun night out. Tickets are £6 per person, which includes nibbles. Doors open at 7.30pm, quiz starts at 8pm. Card only payments at the bar please. Teams must be 6-10 people. To book go to [st-thomas-more-pa.sumupstore.com](http://st-thomas-more-pa.sumupstore.com) and email your team names to [pa@stmletchworth.co.uk](mailto:pa@stmletchworth.co.uk)

## **PARISH ACCOUNTS**

Financial results for 2022 and 2023 are now published on the parish website under Parish Finance Committee.

## **BAPTISM PREPARATION SESSION**

24th November 2024 after the Family Mass in the St Hilda Room.

## **COUNTERS NEEDED**

Please consider volunteering your time to be part of a counting team. Money collected each week needs to be counted and takings recorded. The counting takes approximately 1h and is done in teams. Each team counts once a month. Times are flexible so please consider putting your name forward, we can find you a team to suit your requirements. If you are interested in taking this role up, please contact the parish office.

## **SJHN FOUNDATION GOVERNOR**

We currently have a vacancy for a Foundation Governor, **who would need to be a practising catholic and also not have any children at the School**. The Saint John Henry Newman Catholic School is a popular 11 – 18 Catholic Comprehensive School in Stevenage. The current roll is 1599 including 396 in the Sixth Form. Our current team of Governors are highly committed, talented and aspirational and form a Governing Body which sees its purpose as one of service to our School community and the wider community. The role of Governor is an essential

element of managing a school of this size and is key to our success, as recognised in the Schools recent Ofsted report. If you would be interested in this role or like to know more about the role please contact Mrs Lesley Radcliffe radcliffel@jhn.herts.sch.uk

### **FREE MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS CARDS**

STM Year 6 pupils have been busy making cards to mark Mental Health Awareness Day on Thu 10th October. The cards are available in the porch for parishioners free of charge. Thank you children and Mrs Barnes for organising this.

### **MASS INTENTIONS**

*Sat 12th to Sun 20th October 2024*

Saturday 12th October

6pm: Vincenzo & Immacolata Forte RIP

**Sunday 13th October - Twenty-eighth Ordinary**

**Time**

9.30am: Michael & Brege Kerrane RIP

11.30am: People of the Parish

Monday 14th October

9.30am: Holy Souls

Tuesday 15th October

9.30am: Holy Souls

Wednesday 16th October

9.30am: Alan Scouller RIP

Thursday 17th October

9.30am: Holy Souls

Friday 18th October

9.30am: Holy Souls

Saturday 19th October

6pm: Luigi Rizzo RIP

**Sunday 20th October - Twenty-ninth Ordinary**

**Time**

9.30am: Alan & Angela Scouller RIP

11.30am: People of the Parish

### **MASS BOOKINGS**

Weekday Masses and Weekend Masses are available from December. When booking a Mass, please let the office know if you are able to Gift Aid.

### **REPOSITORY**

Cards for various occasions- located in the St Hilda Room. Prices vary, please check the dividers and leave money in the honesty box.

### **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.

### **CATHOLIC MEDITATION GROUP**

On Tuesday 5-6pm, St Hilda room. Meetings consist of a short reading, followed by meditation and conclude with a time of reflection and discussion. All welcome.

### **FOODBANK DONATIONS LIST**

Sponge Puddings, Sanitary Towels, Dog Food, Women's deodorant roll on and aerosol, Washing liquid, Carrier bags, Bags for life . All donations are very gratefully received.

### **MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE IN HITCHIN**

On Sat 26th October 10am-4pm. <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/hitchin/sacramental-prep/marriage/> email: Trish Bonnett at trish-bonnett@rcdow.org.uk to book or if you have any questions.

### **DANCE FITNESS CLASSES FOR SENIORS**

These are drop in sessions and do not require pre-booking. Just turn up at Fortescue Hall on Fri morning at 10.45am.

### **ST. MARGARET CLITHEROW PILGRIMAGE**

On 26th and 27th October 2024, there will be a St. Margaret Clitherow themed pilgrimage, we will visit the Shrine of St. Margaret Clitherow, visit her relics at the Bar Convent and visit the place of her execution. Please come to as much or as little of the pilgrimage as you want. To book onto this FREE pilgrimage please go to:- <https://bookwhen.com/youngcatholicadults-yorkpilgrimage2024>

### **CIRCUIT TRAINING CLASS AT FORTESCUE**

We are starting this new group in October - participants of any age and fitness levels are welcome. An experienced fitness trainer will tailor the sessions to suit all individual needs. Two sessions are available: Wednesday 12.15 - 13.00 (St Hugh of Lincoln RC Church). Cost £5 per session. Please contact Steve asap if you would like to join us Steve Green 07710542803; [circuit-training@lalg.org.uk](mailto:circuit-training@lalg.org.uk).

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

Nora Ivers	Andrea Boncristiani
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
Eric Bunson	Kristina Ullrich
Kevin Duignan	James & Josie McElroy
Pauline Doran	

**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](http://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 August: £5,144.74** inclusive of standing orders, contactless and collections. Thank you for your continued generosity.

The September total will be available next week.

**Dates for your Diary:**

Fri 1st Nov	All Saints—Holy Day of Obligation. Mass at 9.30 and 7pm
Sat 2nd Nov	All Souls—Mass for the Deceased of the Parish 11am. Refreshments afterwards in St Hilda Room.
Sun 17th Nov	Feast of St Hugh of Lincoln, Mass at <b>10.30am</b> presided by bishop emeritus Nicholas Hudson, refreshments afterwards in Fortescue Hall.
Sun 24th Nov	STM Christmas Market at Fortescue Hall, 10am to 2pm
Sun 1st Dec	First Sunday of Advent
Sat 7th Dec	Christmas Concert for Kanyike, Fortescue Hall.

**Our Catholic Schools**

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

Tel: 01462 620670 [www.strejmi.herts.sch.uk](http://www.strejmi.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 (retiring), Kate Hewitson (in training) [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.