

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 20th October 2024, World Mission Sunday

Parish Mass Book Year B Vol 2 page 146 Psalter week 1

FIRST READING: Isaiah 53: 10-11

If he offers his life in atonement, he shall see his heirs, he shall have a long life.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 32: 4-5, 18-20, 22 response v 22

May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you .

SECOND READING: Hebrews 4: 14-16

Let us be confident in approaching the throne of grace.

GOSPEL: Mark 10: 35-45

The Son of Man came to give his life as a ransom for many.

COLLECT: Almighty ever-living Lord, grant that we may always conform our will to yours and serve your majesty in sincerity of heart. 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.

ANYONE WHO WANTS TO BECOME GREAT AMONG YOU MUST BE YOUR SERVANT

As we contemplate Jesus as the Servant King, our readings challenge us to consider themes of service and sacrifice. Our First Reading comes from Isaiah's fourth song of the suffering servant. Although the servant is rejected because of the message he proclaims, and will suffer because of it, his sufferings will 'justify many'. The beautiful Psalm 32, encourages us to look with hope to the Lord always, especially in challenging times. We can trust in his merciful and loving help, for he is 'our help and our shield'.

The Letter to the Hebrews reminds us we can trust in finding mercy and grace in times of trouble because Jesus shared in our humanity. Although he remained without sin, he knows everything human nature brings, including temptation. The Gospel brings us full circle as Jesus again speaks of the sacrifice he, 'the Son of Man', will make. We see James and John approach Jesus seeking a share in his glory. Jesus foretells the suffering they, like him, will face, and reminds us, above all else, we must serve those in need. This week take time to review the ways in which we serve the needs of others. Knowing the Lord will always hear us, we can ask for the grace and strength we need to do his will. ***Prego & Fr Jimmy***

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.

FUNERAL

The funeral mass for Geraldine Pulham will take place on Monday 28th October at 2pm. May she rest in peace and rise in glory.

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 avocation 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.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW WELCOMER

Our Saturday Vigil Mass crowd are very lucky to have our golden Trio, Trish, Judith and Simone to welcome them every week. Our Sunday lot now will be welcomed by a lovely young man who is a pupil at SJHN. As part of his Duke of Edinburgh Award, Jonathan has signed up to be a Welcomer at church. Make sure you give him some encouragement, he will be handing out books and tidying them up after Mass. There are plenty of other jobs to be had, so if anyone else is interested in volunteering as part of their Award, get in touch with the office.

CAKES FOR THE HOSPICE

For the past few years, the kind ladies of St Hug have provided cakes for our hospice. We provide cakes for the whole month of November, in order for patients and visitors to enjoy a treat with afternoon tea. Home made or shop bought are equally gratefully received. Home made cakes should be accompanied by a list of ingredients, please. Contact Trish on 07709029220. Cakes are needed by 5th November.

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 and email your team names to 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.

PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS

The office will be closed on Tue 22nd October but open on Wed 23rd October. This is due to a diocesan inspection.

MASS IN ST HILDA ROOM

In order to save on heating our heating bill, weekday Mass will be moved to St Hilda from Tuesday 29th October (after the clocks change). Weekend, Feast and school masses will be held in Church as normal.

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**. 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

OUR LADY QUEEN OF APOSTLES, WELWYN

Cardinal Vincent has appointed Our Lady, Welwyn as Jubilee Church for Herts. No doubt, Canon Norbert, our Dean, who is ever busy and extremely hard-working and efficient will do a grand job of welcoming pilgrims. Congratulations to our Welwyn neighbours!

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 19th to Sun 27th October 2024

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

Monday 21st October

9.30am: Holy Souls

Tuesday 22nd October

9.30am: Holy Souls

Wednesday 23rd October

9.30am: Holy Souls

Thursday 24th October

9.30am: Holy Souls

Friday 25th October

9.30am: Cosimino Rizzo RIP

Saturday 26th October

6pm: Kathleen Bourke RIP

Sunday 27th October - Thirtieth Ordinary Time

9.30am: People of the Parish

11.30am: Rosaleen Garvey RIP

MASS BOOKINGS

Weekday Masses are available from December and Weekend Masses from January 25. 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 email: Trish Bonnett at trishbonnett@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, we will visit the Shrine of St. Margaret Clitherow, her relics at the Bar Convent and the place of her execution. To book onto this FREE pilgrimage please go to:- <https://bookwhen.com/youngcatholicadults-yorkpilgrimage2024>

CIRCUIT TRAINING CLASS AT FOR-TESCUE

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.

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. 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:

Tue 29th Oct	From today, weekday Mass will be said in St Hilda
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 10.30am 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—Junior Readers
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

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.