

ST HUGH OF LINCOLN RC CHURCH

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Parish Office Opening Hours: 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 & 7pm.

Weekday Mass: Monday to Friday 9.30am. Morning Prayer: Monday to Friday 9.10am. Adoration & Confession Wednesday 10.00-10.45am; Benediction Thursday 10.45. Confession Saturday 5.15 to 5.45pm & on request.

SUNDAY 6th July 2025, FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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FIRST READING: Isaiah 66:10-14

Behold, I will extend peace to her like a river.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 66

Cry out with joy to god, all the earth.

SECOND READING: Galatians: 6: 14-18

I bear on my body the marks of Jesus.

GOSPEL: Luke 10: 1-12, 17-20

Your peace will rest upon him.

COLLECT: O God, who in the abasement of your Son have raised up a fallen world, fill your faithful with holy joy, for on those you have rescued from slavery to sin you bestow eternal gladness. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who live and reign with God the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

CRY OUT WITH JOY TO GOD.

Our readings for this Sunday resound with joy and peace. The Opening Prayer, the First Reading and the Psalm all speak of joy, which we have celebrated at Mass throughout Eastertide and beyond, and which now overflows into Ordinary Time. It's the joy the disciples experience when they see the Risen Christ, the joy we experience when we celebrate the Eucharist. Isaiah proclaims a peace flowing 'like a river', a peace which accompanies the disciples in the Gospel, as they travel through the different towns, curing the sick and announcing the Good News. Psalm 66 (65) encourages us to, 'cry out with joy', and echoes the rejoicing we see in the readings. Although Paul doesn't mention joy in his letter to the Galatians, he reflects on the peace and mercy experienced by those who are part of 'the new creation'. As Pilgrims of Hope in this Jubilee Year, we pray for all who, like the disciples, take the joy of the Gospel to people yet to meet Christ. We pray too for those unable to experience joy and peace in their lives. *Prego & Fr. Jimmy*

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTIONS

July 2025:

For formation in discernment

Let us pray that we might again learn how to discern, to know how to choose paths of life and reject everything that leads us away from Christ and the Gospel. Amen.

COLLECTION FOR PETER'S PENCE

Thank you to our congregation for supporting the second collection last weekend. We raised £330. The Holy See's website explains the significance of Peter's Pence: "It is an offering that may be small, but is of great symbolic value: it expresses the sense of belonging to the Church and love and trust for the Holy Father. It is a tangible sign of communion with Him, as Peter's Successor, and also of attention to the needs of the most disadvantaged, for whom the Pope always cares." Thank you for supporting this collection.

WELCOME MGR HARRY TURNER

Mgr Turner often comes to look after us when Fr Jimmy is unavailable. He will be hearing confessions from 5.15pm on Saturday 5th July and celebrating the Vigil Mass at 6pm that evening. We thank him for his time and for his readiness to come and help in our parish.

WELCOME

If you are new to our parish, please pop along to a coffee morning after Sunday Mass and meet some fellow parishioners. We are friendly bunch and are always glad to see new faces. New parishioner's forms are available at the back of church.

ROSARY FOR PEACE

Every Friday at 10am, after Mass.

WALSINGHAM, 20TH SEPTEMBER

The ticket options for this year are as follows: adult £35; child 6 to 12year old £15; child 0 to 5year old, free. The ticket is inclusive of travel on a executive coach and the pilgrim's levy. Please book your place to avoid disappointment. A notice has gone out to our neighbouring parishes and, being a Jubilee year, we expect demand for seats to go up.

NO VIGIL MASS

NEW PARISH MASS BOOKS

The new, rather brightly coloured cycle of Parish Mass books is here and will be in use from next week. As you know, this is quite an expense for parishes. You can sponsor a Parish Mass book with £5 and dedicate it to a loved one who has passed. An inscription "In loving memory of...", "Please pray for the repose of the soul of ..." or similar will be put in the book. Please contact the office if you wish to dedicate a book or would like

more info.

STEVENAGE DEANERY GATHERING PILGRIMS OF HOPE JUBILEE YEAR

Sunday 6th July Our Lady Queen of Apostles, Welwyn Garden City with Cardinal Vincent Nichols. 3pm Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession); 4pm Cardinal's Catechesis; 5pm Mass; 6pm Light refreshments. Please note the date.

MEN'S EVENING OF RECOLLECTION

There will be an evening of recollection for men on Monday 14th July from 6:30pm till about 8:30pm here in our church. The preacher will be Fr Bernard Marsh, a priest of Opus Dei. It's like a mini-retreat, with time for directed and private prayer, concluding with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Tea/coffee will be available from 6:15pm. No need to book: just turn up.

KISS ISLE OF WIGHT COASTAL PATH CHALLENGE

Thank you so very much to all our sponsors throughout the parish and beyond who helped us to raise a magnificent **£5,694.38** for KISS. The funds raised will give a tremendous boost to their precious resources and will enable much good work to be done for some of the most disadvantaged children in the world. Thank you again for all your support.

CARITAS SEED HUB DONATIONS WANTED

Caritas is opening their very first Charity Shop in London this September! On Sunday 13th and 20th July we will be collecting clothes and accessories on behalf of Caritas. We are taking part in a donation drive to collect good-quality, wearable and usable items that can be sold in the shop. All proceeds will go directly towards Caritas Westminster's vital work in our parishes and Caritas Westminster Services.

What can you donate?

Clean clothes, shoes, handbags, and Accessories, jewellery, belts, scarves, and hats

Please do NOT donate:

Electrical items, Furniture or large bulky items, Children's toys, Books.

PLEASE ENSURE ITEMS ARE IN GOOD, USABLE CONDITION.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 5th July to Sun 13th July 2025

Saturday 5th July

6pm: Michael & Breege Kerrane RIP

Sunday 6th July

9.30am: People of the parish

11.30am: Annie-Kate O'Donnell RIP

Monday 7th July

9.30am: Holy souls

Tuesday 8th July

9.30am: Josie McElroy RIP

Wednesday 9th July

9am: Holy Souls

Thursday 10th July

9.30am: Harry & Maureen McCann RIP

Friday 11th July

9.30am: Julie Cranston RIP

Saturday 12th July

6pm: Julie Cranston RIP

Sunday 13th July—

9.30am: People of the parish

11.30am: Paddy O'Donnell RIP

MASS BOOKINGS

Weekdays Mass bookings are available from August, Sunday Masses from September and Vigil Masses from October. Please consider Gift-aiding by filling in a form from the Office or the porch.

ADVANCE NOTICE

No Saturday morning Mass until Advent. From Sunday 20th July to Sunday 31st August inclusive, there will be one Sunday morning Mass at 10.30am.

REPOSITORY

Mass Cards, cards celebrating the sacraments, new babies and other occasions are located in the St Hilda Room. Prices vary, please check the dividers and leave money in the honesty box.

SASH GROUP

A friendly group for seniors to chat and spend time in company. Please come and join us every other Thursday at 2pm in St Hilda Room. Refreshments available. **Next meeting 9th July.**

MOTHER'S PRAYERS

This lovely prayer 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.

PLAYGROUP: We are now looking for volunteers to take over the running of St Hugh of Lincoln toddler group. If we do not get any volunteers the group will sadly have to close which will be a big loss to over 30 children every week. If you think you can help please get in touch with us at Ceciliajmj@googlemail.com

THE CHILDREN'S LITURGY TEAM are looking for more volunteers to help lead our sessions from September. Full training will be provided and you will always be paired with an experienced catechist. Come along to one of our sessions on the 6th or 13th July to see what we do! LJ will be available after Mass to answer any questions, or you can email her on ljross@rcdow.org.uk for further info.

ADULT SELF DEFENCE CLASSES are being held weekly in Fortescue Hall. The first class is free, everyone welcome. For more information please contact Mel on 07802 283 542.

PRO-LIFE PILGRIMAGE TO WAL-SINGHAM, led by Rt. Rev. John Keenan, Bishop of Paisley, is on Saturday, 2nd August, 2025. The coach departs from Harpenden at 7.30 am, St Bartholomew's, Vesta Avenue at 7.50 am and St Hugh's Church, Letchworth at 8.35 am. Adults £30, Child/Student £12

LONDON CATHOLIC SOCIAL GROUP have a number of upcoming events for Catholic adults over 30. Saturday July 12th, Monthly Social at the One Tun pub, Goodge Street. Sunday 20th July, from 12, Mass, Italian Street Fête and Procession of Our Lady of Saint Carmel in Clerkenwell. Saturday 26th July, day trip to Waddesdon Manor. Sunday 3rd August, picnic in Regent's Park. Contact us on: WhatsApp Brendan 07425549408, Facebook – 'London Catholic Social Group'

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

Nora Ivers	Andrea Boncristiani
Richard Parker	Anne Hudson
Angela Horne	Fr Kevin Fox SJ
Aron Haughton	Anthony Horne
George Marston	Philomena Johnson
Joe Fernandes	Margaret Haywood
Willie Hudson	Kay McKenna
Mary Wallace	Harper Draper
Hannah Draper	Charles McCann
Phil Garvey-McGovern	Bob Pitman
Eric Bunson	Kristina Ullrich
Pauline Doran	Anne Moran
Battista	Maureen Breslin
Cathy McKenna	Mary O'Connor
Audrey Donnelly	Carol O'Brien

Easy Giving: Via the Contactless machine in the porch or 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.

FOODBANK DONATIONS LIST:

We're aiming to get a better mix of food-stuffs to cater for people with special dietary requirements.

Plain Noodles, Plain Rice, Cooking Oil 1 ltr bottle, Tinned Tomatoes, Tomato Puree, Vegetable Stock Cubes, Pulses, Toilet Rolls, Biscuits, 500gm bags of sugar . Thank you for your continued support.

Collection Total June: £9,357.47 . This is inclusive of standing orders, contactless and collections. Thank you for your continued generosity.

Dates for your Diary:

6th July	Stevenage Deanery Gathering Pilgrims of Hope Jubilee Year, Our Lady's Welwyn; from 3pm onwards
15th August	Assumption of BVM, Mass at 9.30am and 7pm
16th August	Cream Tea for Kanyike, Fortescue Hall (details to follow)
20th September	Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham

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.