



Church of the Transfiguration of Our Lord in Old Town, Stevenage

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18TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

Divine Psalter: Week 2
4th August 2019

- 3rd Saturday:** Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday
4.30-4.45: Confessions
5.00: Mass
- 4th Sunday:** 18th Sunday of the Year
9.00: Mass
- 5th Monday:** FEAST OF THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD
Changed from the 6th August
9.30: Ted Mass
- 7th Wednesday:** Ss Sixtus II, Pope, & Companions, Martyrs
9.30: No Service of the Word
- 9th Friday:** ST TERESA BENEDICTA OF THE CROSS,
Virgin & Martyr, Patron of Europe
9.30: Mass
- 10th Saturday:** Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday
4.30-4.45: Confessions
5.00: Mass
- 11th Sunday:** 19th Sunday of the Year
9.00: Mass

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Sunday Reading Cycle: Year C  
Weekday Readings: 18<sup>th</sup> Week of Year 1  
18<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year  
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**WE REMEMBER THOSE WHO ARE SICK IN HOSPITAL,
THOSE UNDERGOING TREATMENT, OR CONVALESCING:**

May the Lord grant them healing and strength

Parish Secretary in the office next week

Tuesday 8:45-11.30am, Wednesday 10:00am-1:00pm &
Friday 8:45am-2:00pm

If your enquiry is urgent please email the Secretary
stevenageoldtown@rcdow.org.uk
(email accessed daily)

**MESSAGE FROM FR MICHAEL
FAREWELL CELEBRATION
FOR FR BRIAN
TODAY SUNDAY 4TH AUGUST 1:00PM
following the 12:15pm Mass
at St Joseph's, Bedwell.
The celebration is for all 3 parishes.
Everyone most welcome.**

**OUR PARISH FEAST
OF THE TRANSFIGURATION
Will be celebrated on Monday 5th August
at the 9:30am Mass.**

*The Church is out of action on Tuesday and
Wednesday with electrical installation taking
place.*

*Please note there will be **NO** Service of the Word
On Wednesday 7th August.
Mass as normal at 9:30am on Friday 9th August*

SACRISTANS:-

Saturday 10th : Janet Crafton
Sunday 11th : Donna Holton
Cleaning Rota : Sara Shepherd & Barbara O'Boy
Please see Cleaning Instructions on cleaning cupboard door
Linen for August : Mary McCrory

PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM

On Saturday 21st September. The Knights of St Columba have a coach going to the Diocesan Pilgrimage leaving St Joseph's Church at 8:00am and returning around 8:00pm. Adults £20.00, children £10.00. Please bring a picnic lunch. Please write your name and telephone number on the clip board on top of the organ or telephone Vincent Scheuber on 01438 361138.

HOLY COMMUNION REGISTRATION 2020

Registration forms are now available from the Grove Road Porch. Please note the closing date!

THE JOHN HENRY NEWMAN SCHOOL ADMISSIONS 2020

CERTIFICATES OF CATHOLIC PRACTICE

Forms are available from the Bookshelf and the Grove Road Porch.

Please complete both forms and post through the Presbytery letterbox. Completed forms will be available from the tray in the Sacristy.

Requests must be made by Sunday 15th September please. So get them in quickly!

SCHOOL GOVERNORS NEEDED AT ST VINCENT DE PAUL SCHOOL, BEDWELL

The School are seeking new School Governors. Please take an information letter from the bookshelf.

AUGUST ROTA

For Readers and Eucharistic Ministers available from the wall beside the tabernacle.

ATTENDING MASS WHEN ON HOLIDAY

As Catholics, we come to Mass every week out of love for God and in thanks for all that he has done for us in Jesus. I know that you will want to put God first in all your choices when you are on holiday and set a good example for your children, through Mass attendance. It is an act of love for the love we have been given by Him. This website is a good help, though you may want to contact the church just to confirm its advertised Mass times: <https://masstimes.org/>

APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA

Thank you for your generosity, our Parish raised £283.32.

LADIES LUNCH

Takes place on Wednesday 7th August 12noon for 12:15pm at **The Coopers next door to Sainsbury's** at the Poplars, SB1 terminates there. Good meals at very reasonable prices, warm welcome of new and old diners, plenty of chat and laughter. All welcome.
Raffle prizes welcome.

NO MASS REGISTRATION UNTIL SEPTEMBER

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

A big thank you to Caroline Cowen and her assistants for running the Children's Liturgy. Caroline has now stepped down. If you would like to volunteer to lead the Children's Liturgy at the 9:00am Mass from September, please email the Parish Office stevenageoldtown@rcdow.org.uk

IRISH NETWORK, STEVENAGE

On Friday afternoons 1.30pm to 2.30pm, our So Healthy Exercise Class. This is a gentle chair based exercise class at Bedwell Community Centre and is £2.00. The benefits of exercising can make a massive difference to your life and well-being. For more information, please contact Elaine Connolly in the Irish Network Office on 01438 725400.

FOOD BANK COLLECTION

Thank you for your continuing weekly contributions to the Stevenage Food Bank. Many Stevenage families are fed from the food bank and your continuing generosity in donating food items every week is true Christian Love in Action!

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR AUGUST

Universal: That families, through their life of prayer and love, become ever more clearly 'schools of true human growth'.

WEEKDAY MASSES AT ST JOSEPH'S:

Wednesday 7:00pm & Thursday 9:15am

WEEKDAY MASSES AT ST HILDA'S

Monday, Tuesday 9.30am & Thursday 8:00pm