



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

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21ST SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

Divine Psalter: Week 1
25th August 2019

- 24th Saturday:** Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday
4.30-4.45: Confessions
5.00: Mass
- 25th Sunday:** 21st Sunday of the Year
9.00: Mass
- 26th Monday:** feria
9.30: Service of the Word
- 28th Wednesday:** St Augustine, Bishop & Doctor
9.30: Service of the Word
- 30th Friday:** Ss Margaret Clitherow, Anne Line and Margaret Ward, Martyrs
9.30: Mass
- 31st Saturday:** Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday
4.30-4.45: Confessions
5.00: Mass
- 1st Sunday:** 22nd Sunday of the Year
9.00: Mass

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Sunday Reading Cycle: Year C  
Weekday Readings: 21<sup>st</sup> Week of Year 1  
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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)

ANNUAL GARDEN PARTY ON SATURDAY 7TH SEPTEMBER

12:30-3:30PM

Our great annual summer event when we come together socially as a parish. This year's party will have the added opportunity to meet our new Priest Fr Nigel who will be arriving in Stevenage a few days before. The parish Filipino Community have kindly agreed to organise the catering so we look forward to a great day.

***This weekend we welcome
Fr Peter Maher
to the 9:00am Mass***

PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM

On Saturday 21st September. The Knights of St Columba have a coach going to the Diocesan Pilgrimage as we prepare for the annual rededication of England to our Lady as her dowry. The coach leaves 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.

SACRISTANS:-

Saturday 31st : Teresa Jones
Sunday 1st : Sue and Peter Coy
Cleaning Rota : Peter & Joyce Stones
Please see Cleaning Instructions on cleaning cupboard door
Linen for September : Rebecca Walsh

DUNCAN CAMERON RIP

The Funeral Mass for Duncan Cameron takes place on Thursday 29th August at 2:30pm at St Joseph's Church, Bedwell, followed by committal at Harwood Park. May he rest in eternal peace.

HOLY COMMUNION REGISTRATION 2020

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

NILAND CONFERENCE CENTRE, ROSARY PRIORY, 93 ELSTREE ROAD, BUSHEY HEATH, HERTS, WD23 4EE CONFLICT AND PEACE

Morning reflection with Sister Regina McGarry OP & Monika Cleaver. How Jesus teaches us to engage healthily with conflict. **Monday, 9 September** 10-12.30 (suggested donation £6) Tel: 07746 707 247

BE STILL AND KNOW THAT I AM GOD

An introduction to Christian Meditation led by Brijji Waterfield from The World Community for Christian Meditation - WCCM. To be held on Saturday 14th September 11.00am-1.00pm. Coffee from 10.30am at **St Hugh of Lincoln Catholic Church Letchworth SG6 3UF**. Meditation is a form of prayer that has been part of the Christian tradition since the early Church.

Brijji will look at how it has been revitalised and practiced today. There will be space for discussion and quiet time for meditation. **All are welcome.** WCCM is an ecumenical community. To find out more visit www.christianmeditation.org.uk Contact: Patricia on 07967152556 or Andrew on 07929785115

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.

NO MASS REGISTRATION UNTIL SEPTEMBER

SEPTEMBER ROTA

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

CLEANING ROTA

The new Cleaning Rotas are now available for collection from the top of the safe in the Sacristy.

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!

DIOCESAN JOB VACANCIES

Please visit <http://rcdow.org.uk/diocese/jobs/> where you can view current vacancies.

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 NEXT WEEK

Thursday 9:15am and Funeral Mass at 2:30pm and Friday 9:15am

WEEKDAY MASSES AT ST HILDA'S

Monday, Tuesday 9.30am & Thursday 8:00pm