



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

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## 24<sup>TH</sup> AND 25<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAYS OF THE YEAR

*Divine Psalter: Week 4/1*

## 15<sup>TH</sup> and 22<sup>ND</sup> September 2019

- 14<sup>th</sup> Saturday:** Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday  
4.30-4.45: Confessions  
5.00: Mass
- 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday:** 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year  
9.00: Mass
- 16<sup>th</sup> Monday:** Ss Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs  
9.30: Mass
- 18<sup>th</sup> Wednesday:** feria  
**9.30: Service of the Word**
- 20<sup>th</sup> Friday:** Ss Andrew Kim Tae-Gon, Priest, Paul Chong Ha-sang & Companions, Martyrs  
9.30: Mass
- 21<sup>st</sup> Saturday:** Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday  
4.30-4.45: Confessions  
5.00: Mass
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday:** 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year  
9.00: Mass
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Monday:** feria  
9.30: Mass
- 25<sup>th</sup> Wednesday:** feria  
**9.30: Service of the Word**
- 27<sup>th</sup> Friday:** St Vincent de Paul, Priest  
9.30: Mass
- 28<sup>th</sup> Saturday:** Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday  
4.30-4.45: Confessions  
5.00: Mass
- 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday:** 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year  
9.00: Mass

### Sunday Reading Cycle: Year C

Weekday Readings: 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> Weeks of Year 1

24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the Year

### WE REMEMBER THOSE WHO ARE SICK IN HOSPITAL, THOSE UNDERGOING TREATMENT, OR CONVALESCING:

Richard Swarbrick, Emer Leonard, James (Seamus) Grant,  
Clarence Cotte, Mary McGee, Joe Coughlin, Noel Holton,  
Eileen Greasby, Betty Cox, Monica Brown & Kathy Dickenson.

**May the Lord grant them healing and strength**

### CONFIRMATION IN 2020 REGISTER NOW

Registration Forms available from the Grove Road Porch. Candidates for Confirmation in 2020 should be in Year 9 (or older) and members of Transfiguration Parish.

**Registration Forms should be returned to the Presbytery no later than Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2019.**

### PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM

On Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> 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, 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.

### SCIMP HARVEST LUNCH ON 29TH SEPTEMBER

At All Saints Church Hall, The Oval, starting at 1:00pm. Tickets £4.00 per person or £10.00 for a family of 4. Small 'sharing' deserts welcome but not 'essential'. Tickets will be available after some Masses or can be reserved by calling Cris on 07589103193.

**Parish Secretary in the office next week**  
**Wednesday 10:00am-1:00pm & Friday 11:00am-2:00pm**  
**If your enquiry is urgent please email the Secretary**  
[stevenageoldtown@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:stevenageoldtown@rcdow.org.uk)  
 (email accessed daily)

**SACRISTANS:-**

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> : Lorriane De Klerk  
 Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> : Paula Osmond  
 Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> : Teresa Jones  
 Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> : Sue & Peter Coy  
 Cleaning Rota : Virginia & Poniano Motilla  
 : Sara Shepherd & Barbara O'Boy  
 Please see Cleaning Instructions on cleaning cupboard door  
 Linen for September : Rebecca Walsh

**BETTY VASSE RIP**

The funeral Mass for Betty Vasse takes place on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September at St Hilda's, Shephall at 11:00am followed by burial at Weston Road.  
 May she rest in eternal peace.

**THERESA OVENS RIP**

Theresa Ovens passed away recently at home. May she rest in eternal peace. Funeral details to follow.

**EAMON MCARDLE RIP**

Eamon McArdle passed away recently. May he rest in eternal peace. Funeral details to follows.

**HOME MISSION 2<sup>ND</sup> COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND**

The Home Mission Office is a national organisation that helps the local Church engage in the vital mission of Evangelisation. **This weekend, they ask for our prayers and our financial support through the second collection.**

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME 2020**

Meeting for Parents only on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 8:00pm in the Church.

**WALSINGHAM ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE FOR THE SANCTITY OF LIFE**

On Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2019. Please contact Paul Vooght to reserve a place on 07861949101. Please see the poster on the notice board for further details.

**CARITAS WESTMINSTER**

Invites anyone interested in volunteering to a free session covering the basic need-to-knows about becoming a volunteer on 25<sup>th</sup> September 2019, 6:30-8:30pm.

Refreshments from 6pm, at Vaughan House, 46 Francis Street, London SW1P 1QN. Please RSVP by calling 020 7931 6077, emailing [caritaswestminster@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:caritaswestminster@rcdow.org.uk) or search the title "[Volunteering in the Community: Getting Started](#)" on Eventbrite.

**PRAYER GROUP**

The next Meeting takes place on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September at 2:30pm in the Presbytery. Please telephone Colleen on 01438 359402 for information. **All welcome.**

**IRISH NETWORK STEVENAGE FILM CLUB**

Takes place on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September at The Sherma Batson Centre, Bedwell 12.30-3.00pm. An afternoon of old time films and classics with tea, coffee and fresh homemade scones. Entry £2.00. For information please contact Elaine Connolly in the INS office on 01438 725400.

**Healthy Exercise Class, Fridays 1.30-2.30pm. For further details please see the poster on the notice board.**

**CLEANING ROTA**

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

**NURSERY APPLICATIONS FOR 2020 (CHILDREN BORN BETWEEN 1ST SEPTEMBER 2016 AND 31ST AUGUST 2017)**

Nursery applications for the two Catholic schools in Stevenage are now open for September 2020. Please visit the schools' websites for more details.  
[www.clitherow.herts.sch.uk](http://www.clitherow.herts.sch.uk) or [www.stvincent.herts.sch.uk](http://www.stvincent.herts.sch.uk)  
 or Tel: 01438 729555. Both schools will be offering 15 and 30 hours provision. **Application deadline is Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2019.**

**NURSERY 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.

**ASCENT GROUP**

There will be no more Ascent Group Meetings. Colin thanks everyone for all the support he has had over the years.  
 God Bless. Colin B

**HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER**

**Universal:** That politicians, scientists and economists work together to protect the world's seas and oceans.

**WEEKDAY MASSES AT ST JOSEPH'S W/C 16<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER**

Wednesday 7:00pm and Friday 9:15am

**WEEKDAY MASSES AT ST JOSEPH'S W/C 23<sup>RD</sup> SEPTEMBER**

Wednesday 7:00pm, Thursday and Friday 9:15am

**WEEKDAY MASSES AT ST HILDA'S W/C 16<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER**

Monday and Tuesday 9.30am

**WEEKDAY MASSES AT ST HILDA'S W/C 23<sup>RD</sup> SEPTEMBER**

Monday 9.30am & Thursday 8:00pm