



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

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6th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A Psalter: Week 2 16th February 2020

15th Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday

5:00: Mass

16th Sunday: 6TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

9:00: Mass

17th Monday: feria

9:30: Mass

followed by Bible Study in the Church

19th Wednesday: feria

9.30: Service of the Word

21st Friday: feria

9.30: Mass

22nd Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday

5:00: Mass

23rd Sunday: 7TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

9:00: Mass

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Sunday Reading Cycle: Year A

Weekday Readings: 6<sup>th</sup> week of Year 2

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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 11:00am-1:00pm &
Friday 8:45am-2:00pm

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

*This weekend we welcome
Fr Chris Connor to the
Saturday evening Mass.*

PASTORAL LETTER FROM CARDINAL VINCENT NICHOLS

*Please take a copy of the Pastoral Letter from
the table at the back of the Church. An article
on the Dowry of Mary is available from
[https://rcdow.org.uk/news/england-is-marys-
dowry-a-new-dedication-for-today/](https://rcdow.org.uk/news/england-is-marys-dowry-a-new-dedication-for-today/)*

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

*"We teach what scripture calls:
the things that no eye has seen and
no ear has heard, all that God has prepared
for those who love him."
(1 Corinthians 2:9)*

YEAR OF THE WORD

Reading the Bible together ("Lectio Divina")

*Every Monday after 9.30am Mass, in the
Church of the Transfiguration, Old Town Parish,
with Fr Nigel. Tea & coffee provided.*

All welcome.

ROTAS:

Saturday 22nd : Janet Crafton
Sunday 23rd : Donna Holton
Cleaning Rota : Sara Shepherd & Barbara O'Boy
Please see Cleaning Instructions on cleaning cupboard door
Linen for February : Jean Potter

SACRISTAN ROTA AND CLEANING ROTA

Sacristan Rota January to June and Cleaning Rota
February to June now available from the Sacristy.

WEEKDAY MASSES AT ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH

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

WEEKDAY MASSES AT ST HILDA'S CHURCH

Tuesday 9:30am & Thursday 8:00pm

**TO PREPARE FOR THE RE-DEDICATION OF ENGLAND AS
MARY'S DOWRY**

As encouraged by the Bishops - all who wish can begin a
personal 33-day consecration to Jesus through Mary
following the method of St Louis de Montfort, starting on
Friday 21st February and finishing on the Feast of the
Annunciation (25th March). For details, visit the diocesan
website or visit: <http://33daystomorningglory.com>

SCIMP NEWS

SCIMP is delighted to announce the successful completion
of our Cambodian project. Thanks to your support and
generosity, the school children of two rural Cambodian
villages now have shelter from the sun and the monsoon
rains as they partake in lessons. Please take a SCIMP
newsletter after Mass to learn more about the projects and
SCIMP. If you like what you see, why not join the committee
and make a difference to people's lives.

Lent Extra: £2.50. Walk with Me Lent Booklets: £1.00.
Available from the top of the organ.

**FAMILY HOLIDAY CLUB, FEBRUARY HALF TERM
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

On Tuesday 18th February, from 11am-2pm Caritas
Westminster will be running the Stevenage Family Holiday
Club. The club will include lots of fun activities for families
to enjoy, followed by a hot nutritious lunch and food to take
home and cook together, all for free. Caritas launched their
clubs very successfully in October 2019, serving over 400
meals to families. However, Caritas rely on volunteers to
make the clubs happen, so to make sure they can run again
in February they really need your help! If you would be
able to volunteer on Tuesday 18th February,
between 9am-3pm at St Vincent de Paul Primary
School (SG1 1NJ) to support with kids activities, admin, or
cooking the lunch please email cfc@rcdow.org.uk or call 020
7931 6077 to let us know. You can also get in touch if you
would like to attend the club with your children.

**ANNUAL MASS OF THANKSGIVING FOR THE SACRAMENT
OF MATRIMONY, WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL,
SATURDAY 30TH MAY 3:00PM**

The Cardinal will be inviting to this Mass all couples in the
Diocese who are celebrating their 5th, 10th, 25th, 30th, 40th,
50th and 60th (and every year over 60) Wedding Anniversary
of Catholic Marriage in 2020. If you are celebrating an
Anniversary, please write your details on a sheet of paper
and post it through the Presbytery door or email
stevenageoldtown@rcdow.org.uk. Name of husband and
wife, wedding date, full postal address and email (or
telephone number if no email).
Information by Sunday 15th March.

**INVIGILATORS WITH THE ROLE OF SCRIBE &
READER REQUIRED**

At The John Henry Newman School from February 2020.
Please contact Heidi Foyle at foyleh@jhn.herts.sch.uk.
Please see the poster on the notice board for further details.

THE SVP ARE DISTRIBUTING 11,500 VINNIE PACKS

Containing cold weather essentials to the homeless this
winter. Please could you consider sponsoring packs at a
suggested donation of £3.50 per pack? Donations can be
sent to Vinnie Packs, PO Box 72264, London SW1P 9EZ with
cheques made out to SVP or by bank transfer to Nat West
sort code 60-60-04, account no. 4608 8237. Thank you so
much for your support."

MASS REGISTRATION

Please remember to sign in your Pre-School to Year 6 child
BEFORE or AFTER Mass on the registration sheet, which can
be found on the table near the organ. This information is
used for the completion of the Certificate of Catholic
Practice Form for school admissions.

Please only sign if your child is with you at Mass.

**GREAT CHARITY CONCERT AT ST JOSEPH'S, BEDWELL
PETER'S WAY OF THE CROSS 28TH FEBRUARY 7:30PM**

The Westminster Lourdes Choir and the Catholic Association
of the Performing Arts to perform Peter's Way of the Cross
here at St Joseph's. The choir have performed this piece in
Lourdes, in Killarney Cathedral, the Old Bailey and will be at
Westminster Cathedral in March. **Please come and support
the work of the pilgrimage, there will be a collection at the
end of the performance for donations.**

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR FEBRUARY

Universal: Listen to the Migrants' Cries:
We pray that the cries of our migrant brothers and
sisters, victims of criminal trafficking,
may be heard and considered.