



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

Grove Road, Stevenage Old Town, Hertfordshire.

Postal Address: 4 Basils Road, Stevenage, SG1 3PX, Telephone: 01438 226857 Email: stevenageoldtown@rcdow.org.uk

Web Address: <http://parish.rcdow.org.uk/stevenagetransfiguration>

Parish Priest of THE COMBINED STEVENAGE PARISHES: Fr Michael Doherty, SDS, resident at St Hilda's, Shephall, SG2 9SQ, Tel: 01438 352182

Assistant Priest Fr Nigel Woollen, resident at St Joseph's, Bedwell, SG1 1NJ, Tel: 01438 351243

Lister Hospital: The Catholic Chaplain can be contacted on 01438 285138 (24/7 urgent need 01438 314333) or via text message 0788 418 7463

Archbishop's Safeguarding Service Co-ordinator: Confidential phone numbers 01582 712245 or 07814 879129

Parish Safeguarding Representative: John Sloan 01438 226857 / 0790 013 8371 or Email: stevenageshephallsq@safeguardrcdow.org.uk

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A Psalter: Week 3 23rd February 2020

22nd Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday

5:00: Mass

23rd Sunday: 7TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

9:00: Mass

24th Monday: feria

9.30: Mass for a Special Intention

followed by Bible Study in the Church

26th Wednesday: Ash Wednesday

First Day of Lent Day of Fasting and Abstinence

7.30: Mass and Distribution of Ashes

28th Friday: feria

9.30: Mass

Stations of the Cross following Mass

29th Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday

5:00: Mass

1st Sunday: 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

9:00: Mass

~~~~~  
Sunday Reading Cycle: Year A

Weekday Readings: 7<sup>th</sup> week of Year 2

7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year  
~~~~~

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)

ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES 26TH FEBRUARY

In the three Stevenage Churches

St Hilda's	9:30am Fr Michael
St Margaret Clitherow	
Mass in School (All welcome)	2:00pm Fr Michael
St Joseph's	9:15am Fr Nigel
St Joseph's	7:00pm Fr Nigel
Transfiguration	7:30pm Fr Michael

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.

GREAT CHARITY CONCERT AT

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

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 to the work of the pilgrimage.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

"He does not treat us according to our sins
nor repay us according to our faults."
(Psalm 102:10)

ROTAS:

Saturday 29th : Mary Smithers & Philipia Paulus
Sunday 1st : Stephanie Elliott
Cleaning Rota : Simon Williams & Tara Hallett
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 9:15am & 7:00pm, Thursday and Friday 9:15am

WEEKDAY MASSES AT ST HILDA'S CHURCH

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday 9:30am & Thursday 8:00pm

MEN'S BRUNCH

Calling all men! Join Fr Nigel for brunch or just a cuppa at
10am on Saturday 29th February at Toby Carvery (London Road
SG2 8DT - next to Tesco). We all pay our own –
all welcome!

SETTLED STATUS FOR EUROPEAN CITIZENS

All EU, EEA and Swiss citizens living in the UK are required by
the government to apply through its Settlement Scheme to
continue living, working and accessing services here. The
deadline for applications is 30th June 2021. Details and links to
the application process can be found at: gov.uk/eusettledstatus
Please bring this to the attention of friends, family members
and fellow parishioners who may need to apply. Information
on assistance for those who may have difficulty applying is
available at: gov.uk/help-eu-settlement-scheme The Catholic
Church in England and Wales stands in solidarity with all
European citizens who have made their homes here. They are
a valued part of our parishes, schools and communities.

CORONAVIRUS

For more information, visit:

www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/

CATCH IT: Germs spread easily. Always carry tissues and use
them to catch your cough or sneeze.

BIN IT: Germs can live for several hours on tissues. Dispose of
your tissue as soon as possible.

KILL IT: Hands can transfer germs to every surface you touch.
Clean your hands as soon as you can.

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.

MY DAY BY DAY LENT BOOKLETS: £1.00

Available from the top of the organ.

IRISH NETWORK, STEVENAGE: Afternoon Social on Wednesday
26th January at Bedwell Community Centre, 1-3pm. An
afternoon of live music, dancing and entertainment, raffle and
refreshments. **All welcome.**

Please contact Elaine Connolly in the INS Office on 01438
725400 for more information regarding events.

MEDITATION DAY AT OUR LADY'S, CHURCH, HITCHIN:

People of all faiths and none are invited to an experience of Christian
Meditation on Saturday 21ST March at 10.30 for 11 until
2pm. Martin Zetter of The World Community for Christian
Meditation (WCCM) will be our leader for the day. There will
be books for sale and literature to take away and a shared
lunch will be provided. If you would like to come or need more
for information, please contact Mary Dawson: 01462 713872
or mdpegs@yahoo.co.uk

PRAYER GROUP

The next Meeting takes place on Friday 28th February at
2:30pm in the Presbytery. Please telephone Colleen on 01438
359402 for information. **All welcome.**

**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.

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.

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.