



## St Hugh of Lincoln Catholic Church

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### **Fifteenth and Sixteenth Sundays of Ordinary Time - 12th/19th July 2020**

It was moving to have people at Holy Mass last Sunday and to hear people pray, especially when it came to the Hail Mary, which brought me to ask the question why is this prayer so important? And to hear it out loud after so many Rosaries and Hail Mary's on my own since the beginning of lockdown. What is it about this prayer, why do we need it so much? It struck me that the Hail Mary is something that we need to know more about in order to understand its effect on us and for the needs of the whole world. The opening line is taken directly from the Scriptures in the divine meeting of Archangel Gabriel to Mary during the Annunciation of the Lord (Luke 1:28), informing her that she will become pregnant by the Holy Spirit. When he greets her he says "Hail Mary, full of Grace, the Lord is with you." Here the Archangel is declaring his admiration to Mary for being born full of God's grace, without original sin and thus being the woman worthy of praise for being chosen by God to carry our Saviour Jesus Christ in her womb, "the Lord is with you."

The Hail Mary is divided into two, the call and the response. The first part is a knitting together of the Scripture to help us recognise Our Lady as the sinless mother of Jesus, the one who gave birth to our Saviour the 'fruit of her womb', who plays an active role in our salvation. The second part is the response; in asking Our Lady to pray for us "now and at the hour of our death," and to be our intercessor before her son. In the prayer that we know so well, we see the mysteries of Christ revealed to us; this prayer is Christ centred and is Christ focused. It's a mini statement of our faith, as we see Our Lady visiting her cousin Elizabeth, who also has been touched by God's hand. Elizabeth is a symbol of the dryness of the Old Testament that is made fruitful in the restoration that is opened for us by the coming of Christ and His saving work. As soon as Elizabeth laid eyes on Mary, she said with awe and wonder, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus." (Luke 1:41). Elizabeth doesn't treat Mary like a film star, she treats her with love and compassion that we in our days should treat the mother of God. The secret here is the relationship of a family member and our faith shows us that we are the children of God. The incarnation brings us to a divine intimacy, a relationship with God that was never seen until that day of the visitation, a personal relationship with God. St Elizabeth sees in Mary the most "blessed" of all women and being the only one worthy of carrying Jesus, in her womb. St Pope John Paul explains "although the Hail Mary is addressed to Our Lady, it is to Jesus that the act of love is ultimately directed." Through their words, the Archangel Gabriel and St Elizabeth praise God for the Incarnation and the revelations of the mysteries of our faith: that God was born among us, walked the earth, and ultimately died on the cross for us and rose from the dead.

The second part of the prayer is where we declare and respond to God's actions through Our Lady. We acknowledge as at confession that we are sinners in need of divine help. We know that our life will end and that our task on earth is to get ready for heaven. It's not morbid, it's just true. A life of sin can stand in the way of our salvation. We ask Our Lady to pray for us on our behalf to her son, Our Lord, now, and most importantly, at the hour of our death and every death. We do not worship her, she is not God; but ask her as our mother to take us to him in the quickest way as a mother can only do, ask of our need for His Mercy and Love, at every moment of our life. We take satisfaction that She is the "Mother of God," whom like Her we acknowledge as being the Most High. He only can forgive us our sins.

Reciting prayers over and over, can often lose their impact unless we stop and let the meaning of the words sink in. When you pray the Hail Mary next, say it slowly, reflect on it. Think about a life with no Jesus or Mary. If you think about it in this way, you can't help but join Elizabeth and the Archangel Gabriel in praising Blessed Mary for her willingness to play her part in God the Father's plan for our salvation. Mother Mary helps us to be Team Christ.

In Jesus and Mary .....Fr Gerard

## **CHURCH OPENING**

**Private Prayer : Tuesdays 2.00pm - 4.00pm**

**Public Mass : Fridays 6.00pm; Sunday Mass - 8.00am, 10.00am & 5.00pm**

Here are the Guidelines when visiting the Church.

It is essential that all kindly adhere to the following:

### General guidelines for all services:

- Enter the Church by the main door
- If capacity is reached, you may be asked to wait
- Please use the sanitiser provided as you enter the Church
- Please maintain a distance of 2 metres/6 feet apart at all times
- You will be asked for your name and contact number in case of need
- If you wish to light a candle, ask the Steward as you enter and you will be given one
- Please note your votive candle should be lit on your way out
- Please sit alone where indicated in the Church unless you belong to the same household
- Please do not touch any statues, crucifixes or shrines
- Access to the Sacristy and Narthex will not be allowed, toilets will not be available
- If you wish to wear a face covering, please do so
- Exit by Our Lady's altar only and please use the sanitiser provided as you exit.

### Additional guidelines for Mass:

- ◆ Please book your place by emailing the Parish Office at [knaphill@ab-diocese.org.uk](mailto:knaphill@ab-diocese.org.uk) stating your preferred time of Mass; you will receive an email confirming your place.
- ◆ Deadline for booking will be 6.00pm on the Friday evening. It is important to book as we do not want to turn anyone away. Please note: Between Friday 10th July and Monday 27th July only, contact Anne at [am.rushton@btopenworld.com](mailto:am.rushton@btopenworld.com) or 01483 480677 to book your place
- ◆ Capacity is 16 places i.e. 1 person is one place, a family or a couple is one place. Sadly, we will be unable to allow people to stand in the aisles, at the back or in the Narthex
- ◆ The Church will open no earlier than 15 minutes before the start of Holy Mass
- ◆ You will be asked your name by the Steward, who will guide you to your place
- ◆ Holy Communion will be after the Final Blessing. Where we would normally say 'Amen' when receiving the Sacred Host, from now until we are told, we receive the Lord in silence
- ◆ Holy Communion will be distributed silently, with the communicant standing with outstretched arms and avoiding any physical contact

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## **CHURCH OPENING - Private Prayer and Public Mass**

- ◆ Please wait in the pew until instructed to move forward to the Priest for Holy Communion by the Steward, taking into account the regulations on social distancing
- ◆ Straight after receiving the Sacred Host, please depart via the side door
- ◆ As you leave you will have an opportunity to put your envelopes or cash offerings in the basket. Alternatively, you can donate online or via standing order. Please see <https://sthughoflincoln.com / Gift Aid/Giving>
- ◆ The Church will then be closed for cleaning to take place ready for the next Mass

**Volunteer Stewards/Cleaners** - both needed on Fridays and Sundays on a regular basis. Steward for 20 minutes before the start of Mass and a few minutes after and Cleaners for an hour after Mass. On Tuesdays, Stewards are needed from 1.45pm - 4.00pm and Cleaners from 4.00pm - 5.00pm. Please contact Anne on 01483 480677 for further details.

In line with the guidance, volunteers should NOT participate in the following circumstances:

If they, or a member of their household is currently unwell with symptoms of Coronavirus, vulnerable due to age or underlying health issues or if they live with someone who is extremely vulnerable.

**Ministers of the Word** also needed for all Masses. Contact Anne as above

## **Financial Giving to the Parish**

- Please seriously think about how you can support your Parish at this difficult time. Here are some options for giving. You can easily set up a Standing Order using the links on our website [www.stughoflincoln.comGiftAid/Giving](http://www.stughoflincoln.comGiftAid/Giving) or by using online banking. You have control over the amount donated.  
Our Bank account details are below:  
Bank: HSBC  
Account name: Roman Catholic Diocese of Arundel and Brighton St Hugh of Lincoln Knaphill Gift Aid  
Account number 31077384  
Sort code 40 05 20
- If you wish to Gift Aid your donation, please complete the Gift Aid Declaration form on the website Gift Aid/Giving Tab. Completed forms should be returned to Ian Dallas, 47 High Street, Knaphill, Woking GU21 2PX
- One off donations can also be made either by online or telephone banking using the same bank details as for Standing Orders above.
- A cheque made payable to the parish as above and sent to the parish office 95 Victoria Road, Knaphill, Woking GU21 2AA

Any donations that you make will be greatly appreciated

## Dates for your Diary - July 2020

Monday 13th July to Saturday 25th July, except Thursdays 16th & 23rd - Rosary and Adoration at 8pm.

Sunday 12th, 19th and 26th July - Vespers and Benediction at 3.00pm, via Facebook.

Please pray the Rosary every night at 8.00pm and it's on live stream on the days above.

## MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Parishioners will be able to watch all the Masses live stream through YouTube or Facebook.

### Fifteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time 12th July 2020 - Year A

|     |    |         |                                       |                                  |
|-----|----|---------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Sun | 12 | 8.00am  | Latin Mass                            | People of the Parish             |
|     |    | 10.00am | Morning Mass                          | Intentions of Deacon Thomas Kent |
|     |    | 5.00pm  | Evening Mass                          | Canon Christopher Tuckwell RIP   |
| Mon | 13 | 11.00am | St Henry                              | Francis McMullan RIP             |
| Tue | 14 | 11.00am | St Camillus of Lellis                 | Intentions of John D'Cruz        |
| Wed | 15 | Private | St Bonaventure, Bishop, Doctor        | Ian Mattison RIP                 |
| Thu | 16 | 7.30pm  | Our Lady of Mount Carmel - Latin Mass | Robert Omasta RIP                |
| Fri | 17 | 6.00pm  | Evening Mass                          | Robert Neill RIP                 |
| Sat | 18 | 11.00am | Our Lady on Saturday                  | Edith and James Moore RIP        |

### Sixteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time 19th July 2020 - Year A

|     |    |         |                                      |                                                 |
|-----|----|---------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| Sun | 19 | 8.00am  | Latin Mass                           | People of the Parish                            |
|     |    | 10.00am | Morning Mass                         | Therese Davis RIP                               |
|     |    | 5.00pm  | Evening Mass                         | Paul Sherry RIP                                 |
| Mon | 20 | 11.00am | St Apollinaris, Bishop, Martyr       | Intentions of my loving sister Josephine Albert |
| Tue | 21 | 11.00am | St Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest, Dr. | Our loving parents Lawrence & Elizabeth RIP     |
| Wed | 22 | Private | St Mary Magdalene                    | In celebration of the life of Robert Doneux     |
| Thu | 23 | 7.30pm  | St Bridget of Sweden - Latin Mass    | People of the Parish                            |
| Fri | 24 | 6.00pm  | Evening Mass                         | Christine Paoli RIP                             |
| Sat | 25 | 11.00am | Our Lady on Saturday                 | Sick and injured Parishioners of St Hugh's      |

### Seventeenth Sunday of Ordinary Time 26th July 2020 - Year A

|     |    |         |              |                                            |
|-----|----|---------|--------------|--------------------------------------------|
| Sun | 26 | 8.00am  | Latin Mass   | Rev Fr John Healey RIP                     |
|     |    | 10.00am | Morning Mass | For conversion and healing of our children |
|     |    | 5.00pm  | Evening Mass | People of the Parish                       |

**Mass Intentions** available for the months of August and September. This can be done via email to [knaphill@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:knaphill@abdiocese.org.uk) or leave a message on the Office phone 01483 472404 and we can call you back, if required. Stipends/Donations for Father can be forwarded at later date. Thank you

**Offertory Collection for last week:** Standing Orders £588.33 which was Gift Aided. Many Thanks.



## The Anima Christi

Soul of Christ, sanctify me;  
Body of Christ, save me;  
Blood of Christ, inebriate me;  
Water from the side of Christ, wash me;  
Passion of Christ, strengthen me;  
O good Jesus hear me;  
Within your wounds hide me; separated from you, let me never be;  
From the evil one protect me;  
At the hour of my death, call me;  
And close to you bid me;  
That with your saints, I may be praising you forever and ever. Amen.