



## St Hugh of Lincoln Catholic Church

“The Holy Apostle John the Theologian says that the commandments of God are not difficult, but easy (1 John, 5:3). But they are only easy because of love, while they are all difficult if there is no love.”

*St Silouan the Athonite*

### **Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B 5th September 2021 - The Year of St Joseph**

Dear Friends,

“Holy Mother, pierce me through, in my heart, each wound renew, of my Saviour, Crucified.” These words are from the Stabat Mater and makes me weep.

September is a month where we celebrate the beginning and the end of things. With the beginning of a new school year and the end of the holidays, summer turns into autumn, the growth of what has been planted is now to be harvested. The words from the hymn ‘Immortal Invisible’ ‘We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree, and wither and perish, but nought changeth Thee.’

The Church helps us to go deeper in our understanding of life and death, in giving and receiving, in sowing and reaping by the birth of Our Lady and Her Sorrows, not only her Son, but of all her children to which this month is dedicated.

On September 8th, we rejoice at the birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary. There is, nothing in the scriptures about Our Lady’s birth, so what we know comes from tradition and the visions of Blessed Anne Catherine Emmerich (1774-1824). The feast originated in Jerusalem in the fifth century in association with the dedication of the Basilica Sanctae Mariae ubi nata est, the Basilica of Holy Mary where she was born in Jerusalem. The Basilica, is today known as the Basilica of St Anne, the house where Sts Joachim and Anne lived.

Our Lady’s birth was a miracle; her parents Joachim and Anne were already advanced in age, but they hadn’t given up their hope to have a child. However, God had different plans, and Our Lady was conceived without sin to be the Mother of God’s Son who was to redeem the world. Her birth brought consolation and joy to the world by preparing it for the coming of Christ. That is why we celebrate it. This September, more than ever, the world needs to find consolation and joy. We need to find consolation and joy.

In a homily from St John Damascene he says “How many miracles converged in this child! How many alliances formed in her! The daughter of infertile parents, she would become the fertile virgin. In her will be made the union of divinity and humanity, of impassibility and suffering, of life and death, so that in everything, what was evil may be defeated by what is best.”

In Jesus, Mary and Joseph .....Fr Gerard

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## The First Holy Communion Programme for 2021/22

Online registration is NOW OPEN on the parish website under the "Children" tab. For further information please contact our First Holy Communion Co-ordinators via [sthugh.fhc@gmail.com](mailto:sthugh.fhc@gmail.com).

**Children's Adoration:** Starting 9th September, Thursdays 3.45pm at St Hugh of Lincoln Church. Parents are invited to come after school with their children for a short period of Adoration of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament followed by Benediction. There will be suggested activities for the children to aid independent prayer and contemplation. Suitable for all ages. Aim is to finish by 4.30pm. The hope is that this regular session will help children grow in their own relationship with God and help them prepare for and benefit from the Sacraments of Holy Communion and Confirmation.

## 'Life in the Spirit' Seminars - (Hosted by the Siloam Prayer Group – by Zoom)

The Siloam Prayer Group have been prompted to run another course of 'Life in the Spirit' Seminars starting in September. These seminars are not just any old course, they are life changing and will lead you to a place where you can ask Jesus to reveal himself to you in a very personal, unique and life changing encounter. You will experience how you are, just for who you are. Speakers, who are just ordinary people, will inspire you by their talks and testimonies of their own experience and, over several weeks, will open up God's love, how he gives his Spirit to you and where you go from there.

This 'one off' is on Tuesday **7th September** at 8pm. To get your Zoom access codes, please email [marypbest@hotmail.com](mailto:marypbest@hotmail.com). After "Come and See", you can sign up for the remainder of the course which will be from 14th September to 26th October with two follow-on sessions on the 2nd & 9th November.

For more information contact Roger via [rogandmad.furnell@btinternet.com](mailto:rogandmad.furnell@btinternet.com) or 07501056679.

## St Hugh's Autumn Fayre

In the absence of a Summer Fayre for the past two years, we are going to hold an event **on Saturday 18th September from 12 noon - 3.00pm** on the school field.

- It will be a joint social with a bar, barbecue, refreshments and many fun things to keep us entertained; the proceeds of which will be shared equally between the School and the Parish.
- Donations in **very good condition** of children's fancy dress costumes, children's books, new and unwanted gifts, soft toys and bottles would be greatly appreciated.
- Please no bric-a-brac, foods or electrical items. There is a box in the narthex to receive your donations.
- If you would like to help on the day with setting up, clearing away or helping on a stall, please contact Anne [am.rushton@btopenworld.com](mailto:am.rushton@btopenworld.com) or the Parish Office asap.

**Baptism Preparation Course:** The next course is on Tuesday **21st September** and Tuesday **28th September** from 8pm for approximately an hour in the Parish Hall. If you wish to have your child Baptised and have not attended a Baptism Preparation Course before, please contact the Parish Office at [knaphill@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:knaphill@abdiocese.org.uk) to register for this course and to complete a Baptism Information Request form. Further details of the course will be provided nearer the time.

## Covid-19 Route Map Stage 4 Guidance What it means for us?

- **With immediate effect bookings for all Masses will not be necessary.**
- For all Sunday Masses, to register your Mass attendance, if you have the 'Test, Track and Trace' NHS Covid-19 App, please scan the QR code found here, in the narthex or in the display cabinet outside the church.
- To download the App, please see the simple instructions on the noticeboard in the narthex.
- If you do not have the App, please register with the Steward.
- As there is no legal requirement on social distancing, the tape has been removed. We will, of course, need to be respectful of those around us.
- At the Vigil and 10.00am Mass, you will be guided by the Steward as to when to move forward for Holy Communion, returning to your place via the side aisle as before.
- For all other Masses, please move forward for Holy Communion one row at a time and reasonably distanced, returning to your place via the side aisle.
- The obligation to attend Mass will be restored by the First Sunday of Advent.



### The Bishops' Conference of England & Wales ask:

As face coverings help to mitigate the risk of spreading Covid, they are still strongly recommended to be worn in church covering both the nose and mouth.

Please use hand sanitiser provided as you enter and leave the church and please also consider social distance.

The church will continue to be well ventilated to reduce the risk of spreading the virus and will continue to be cleaned.

We offer our **Prayers for the Sick and the Housebound** and all those who are unable to attend church due to Covid-19. We pray that all able countries around the world will provide humanitarian assistance in every possible way to all the people who are in desperate need of help in Afghanistan.

### **Thanksgiving Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland**

Four Nights starting from 13th September, 4th October, and 11th October at £699 per person sharing.

Price includes return flights from London Luton, Stanstead, East Midlands. Liverpool, Manchester, Bristol and Edinburgh; all transfers, 4 nights accommodation in 3\* Knock House Hotel with full Irish Breakfast, and four course Dinner. Also all entertainment, excursions and guided tours included.

For booking etc, contact Patricia; 01268 762278, 07740 175557, or [knockpilgrimage@gmail.com](mailto:knockpilgrimage@gmail.com)

### **Notice for Revised Mass Schedule**

We are currently preparing for a welcome return to our original Sunday schedule (8am (Latin), 9.30am and 11.30am) and also our weekday Mass schedule.

No date has been set for this, but it will be soon! We do still require various forms of help. There will be a few weeks' notice given prior to any changes to the schedule and as always please check the Parish Newsletter for further updates.

## Help needed for Revised Mass Schedule

(6pm Vigil Mass / Sunday 8am in the EF / Sunday 9.30am & 11.30am - to be implemented shortly)

- Altar Servers - Training will be arranged for new Servers & existing Servers. Speak with Fr Gerard
- Sacristan needed before Masses
- Ministers of Word, Welcome (Stewards) and Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist
- Cleaners needed after all Masses
- Please contact the Parish Office or Anne [am.rushton@btopenworld.com](mailto:am.rushton@btopenworld.com) stating which Mass you are available for and you will be placed on a rota

**Mass Intentions:** Mass Intentions available for the months of **October and November 2021**, can be booked via email to the Parish Office or telephone 01483 472404.

## MASS TIMES and INTENTIONS

Parishioners will be able to watch Sunday 10am Mass and Weekday Masses via YouTube and Facebook

### \*Saturday 4th September - Our Lady on Saturday\*

6.00pm Vigil Mass - St Cuthbert, Bishop Intentions of the Larkham Family

### \*SUNDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER - TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME\* - YEAR B 2021

8.00am Latin Mass EF People of the Parish  
10.00am Morning Mass Luigi and Vincenzo Coppola RIP

### \*Monday 6th September - Feria in Ordinary Time Week 23\*

6.00pm Holy Mass Nick Harvey RIP

### \*Tuesday 7th September - Feria in Ordinary Time Week 23\*

No Mass \*\*\*\*

### \*Wednesday 8th September - Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary\*

6.00pm Holy Mass Intentions of Giuseppe & family

### \*Thursday 9th September - Feria IV \*

7.30pm Holy Mass - Latin EF Intentions of Ralph and Sylvia Morrison

### \*Friday 10th September - Feria in Ordinary Time Week 23\*

6.00pm Holy Mass Saliba Family for the grace of Peace and Harmony

### \*Saturday 11th September - Our Lady on Saturday\*

6.00pm Vigil Mass Viera Tripska RIP

### \*SUNDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER - TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME \* - YEAR B 2021

8.00am Latin Mass EF People of the Parish  
10.00am Morning Mass Intentions of Maria Coppola

**Offertory Collections for the last 2 weeks:** Baskets £318.56, Contactless £216.28 and £1176.66 Standing Orders, which were Gift Aided. Many Thanks



## September is the Month of Our Lady of Sorrows

### The Memorare

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thine intercession was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my mother; to thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.