



St Hugh of Lincoln Catholic Church Parish Newsletter

“Today let us do honour to Christ’s baptism and celebrate this feast in holiness. Be cleansed entirely and continue to be cleansed. Nothing gives such pleasure to God as the conversion and salvation of men, for whom His every word and every revelation exist.” *St Gregory of Nazianzen (330-390).*

The Baptism of the Lord - 9th January 2022

Dear Friends,

You will still see the Christmas decorations up in our church for the next few weeks. It’s not bad luck. In the Roman Rite the Baptism of the Lord has been celebrated on a separate feast for many centuries. Originally it was celebrated on January 6, the Feast of the Epiphany, but over time it was separated and assigned a different day and the third mystery connected to the Epiphany was the Wedding at Cana which never got a liturgical day sadly to celebrate. In this context it has always been a “Christmas” feast, celebrated within the Christmas cycle. However, it may seem a little strange to still



have the baby Jesus in the manger and celebrate a moment during His adult life. How often do you look at pictures of our loved ones and ourselves when we were babies; it’s still the same person. Yet, it is entirely fitting when reflecting on the mysteries of Salvation. Both the feast of the Nativity and Baptism of the Lord highlight the humility of Jesus Christ. In both instances Jesus clearly displayed his desire to become one with us, so that he can raise us up with him.

May I take this opportunity with heartfelt thanks for all your generosity with the gifts and the cards; my house is groaning with goodies. Also, thank you to all those people who worked so hard to make Christmas so Special for us. I appreciate it so much and know that I am here for you at His service.

With every blessings of Child JesusFr Gerard

Covid-19 Update reflecting the emergence of the Omicron variant with effect from Friday 10th December

In line with Government measures it is important to ensure the following points are followed throughout our churches:

- Face coverings (covering both the nose and mouth) are **compulsory** in places of worship
- People displaying any **symptoms of Covid-19** should stay at home and not travel to church or participate in person
- Hand sanitiser should be available for use on entering and leaving the church
- Good ventilation and air throughout the building; as a result of colder weather conditions, it will be important to wrap up well
- Premises should be kept clean, including common touch points
- Please support NHS Test and Trace by checking in via the NHS QR Code Poster or provide your contact details to the Welcomer (details will be kept for 21 days)

Fundraising for the Parish

HAPPY NEW YEAR! Please support our parish in this very easy way; it is FREE and makes such a BIG difference. All you need to do is use #easyfundraising to raise FREE donations every time you shop online with over 6,000 retailers. Plus if you sign up, we can get a £5 bonus donation:

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/sthughschurchknaphill/?invite=25EYUB&referral-campaign=s2s&utm_source=refsharebox

CAFOD is combining efforts with the DEC to launch the Afghanistan Crisis Appeal.

In Afghanistan, 8 million people are on the brink of famine because of drought, collapsing economy, food shortages, conflict, and COVID. CAFOD is supporting sister Caritas agencies to reach communities most in need with food, clean water, and fuel. Let us open ourselves to the needs of others, let's do all that we can to save lives. Please pray for the people of Afghanistan and you can donate on the CAFOD website: cafod.org.uk/AfghanistanAppeal.

Pulse - Family Retreat Days at SPEC Centre, Pinner HA5 3EP

Sunday 30th January 2022, 9.00am-5.00pm - Registrations opening very soon

Saturday 26th March 2022, 9.00am-5.00pm - Registrations opening end of January

Children of all ages are welcome. Organised for families by families. The retreat is structured around times of teaching and personal prayer for parents. Fr Matt Blake, Carmelite, will help the parents (re)discover the power of prayer. Children participate in a school of prayer specially tailored to their age, under the responsibility of volunteers. If you would like to register your interest or just know a little bit more, please email us: hello@pulse-retreats.com

Do not hesitate to share the information and invite friends who might be interested.

Justice & Peace Assembly 'To a Safer Shore?' It's not too late to sign up to our annual diocesan Justice & Peace Assembly 'To a Safer Shore?' taking place Saturday 15 January, 9.45am - 2pm online. The Assembly will explore the considerable difficulties and challenges faced by individuals and families who are compelled to leave their homes and seek safety - and longed for sanctuary - in countries that can be considerable distances from their homes.

NBCW : May I introduce myself as Diocesan Link with the 'National Board of Catholic Women 'NBCW'? I would love to be able to keep in contact with the women of our parishes as part of my role as Diocesan Link and a means of engaging two-way communication between the Diocese and the NBCW. Consider being the parish contact. Sue Petritz nbcw@abdiocese.org.uk Diocesan Link for Arundel & Brighton. *Actively promoting the presence, participation & responsibilities of Catholic Women.*

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The Arundel & Brighton Diocesan Trust is a Registered Charity No 252878

Christmas Collection for the support of the Clergy

The Christmas collection is applied to the parish fund for the support of clergy, this fund provides income for clergy. The maintenance of parish clergy is an inherent part of our charitable objectives. We are entitled to claim Gift Aid on these charitable donations; Gift Aid recovered on the Christmas collection will be applied to the parish fund for the support of clergy.

If you would like to contribute, you can do so as follows:

- Collect a blue 'Christmas Collection envelope' as you leave the Church
- Via the static contactless device in the Narthex - this device also accepts Gift Aid donations
- Directly into our Bank Account: HSBC / 40 05 20 / 01247611 / RCD A&B Knaphill *ref Clergy*
- Via Gift Aid (tax payer) see parish website for full details or contact Ian Dallas on 07966183107 or iandallas47@gmail.com
- Via cash / cheque payable as above through the Presbytery door or post to the Parish Office at 95 Victoria Road, Knaphill, Woking GU21 2AA

Admission to St Hugh's Primary School September 2022

A reminder that the national closing date for Reception Class applications for September 2022 entry is **15th January 2022**. Online applications are encouraged via <https://www.eadmissions.org.uk/eAdmissions/app>. Parents can apply online from a smartphone, tablet or laptop. If unable to apply online, you will need to request a paper application form via the Surrey Schools & Childcare Service (0300 200 1004, Mon-Fri 9am-5pm). The completed paper application form must be received by Admissions (Quadrant Court address) by 15th January; allow time for the post to reach them.

If parents need to apply on paper, it is recommended that applications are sent by recorded post.

Full information is available on Surrey's website at www.surreycc.gov.uk/primaryadmissions.

The Surrey Schools & Childcare Service can also provide impartial help in completing an application.

Applications received after the closing date without an exceptional reason will be treated as late and will not be considered until all on time applications have been processed. This may jeopardise the chance of a parent being offered one of their preferred schools for their child.

In addition to the online application, St Hugh's School has a supplementary application form that can be found on their website www.sthugh-of-lincoln.surrey.sch.uk and should be submitted directly to the school office.

Give Home, Give Hope this Winter

Imagine having no home, an unsafe home or struggling to keep your home.

Shelter are working with more and more people to fight for a safe and affordable home for everyone.

To learn more visit www.shelter.org.uk.

Congratulations to the Christmas Hamper winners, Emily Temple and Joanne Welsh.

Thank you to all who bought tickets and Christmas Treats, which supported both the Parish and School.

Prayers for the Sick and the Housebound: We offer our prayers for all who are ill as well as those unable to attend church due to Covid-19. May the New Year bring hope, fortitude and endurance.

Admission to St Hugh's School September 2022: Fr Gerard will be available at the
Presbytery for the signing of the SIF on **Monday 10th January 2022, 7.00pm - 8.30pm.**

Parking: Please be considerate to our neighbours and other road users by not parking across drives
or on the pavement. Also, bear in mind that buses and delivery trucks pass along Victoria Road during
Mass times (even on Sundays) so please do not park opposite a parked car - the road isn't wide enough!

Mass Intentions: Mass Intentions available for the months of **January and February 2022**,
can be booked via email to the Parish Office or telephone 01483 472404. Donations can be made
by Envelope, the Dona button on the Parish Website or by payment into the Parish Bank Account.

MASS TIMES and INTENTIONS

Sunday and weekday Masses will be livestreamed via YouTube or Facebook.

There will be **half an hour Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** prior to weekday Masses

Saturday 8th January - Saturday after Epiphany

6.00pm Vigil Mass John O'Mahoney RIP

***SUNDAY 9TH JANUARY - THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD* - YEAR C 2022**

8.00am Latin Mass EF (Holy Family) People of the Parish

9.30am Holy Mass Intentions of pupils and staff of St Hugh's School

11.30am Holy Mass For the Intentions of Children

Monday 10th January - *Feria in Ordinary Time

No Mass ****

Tuesday 11th January - *Feria in Ordinary Time

10.00am Holy Mass For the intentions of Mary Tartaglia

Wednesday 12th January - *St Ælred of Rivaulx, Abbot

6.00pm Holy Mass Mary Taylor RIP

Thursday 13th January - *The Baptism of The Lord

7.30pm Holy Mass - Latin EF Jerry Reynolds RIP

Friday 14th January - *Feria in Ordinary Time

6.00pm Holy Mass For the Intentions of Margaret Ridley

Saturday 15th January - *Our Lady on Saturday

6.00pm Vigil Mass Jim & Florence Moore RIP

***SUNDAY 16TH JANUARY - SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME* - YEAR C 2022**

8.00am Latin Mass EF People of the Parish

9.30am Holy Mass For the Intentions of Vincent Hathway

11.30am Holy Mass For the recovery of Fiona Williams



The Month of January is dedicated to the Holy Name of Jesus

Prayer Petition to the Holy Name of Jesus

God, You appointed Your only-begotten Son to be the Saviour of mankind, and You commanded His Name to be Jesus. I beg that a most ardent love of Your Divine Son imprint that Name upon my heart; that it always be on my mind, and frequently on my lips; that it be my defence in temptation, my refuge in danger, and my consolation and strength in the hour of my death.