



St Hugh of Lincoln Catholic Church - Newsletter

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THIRTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 13TH NOVEMBER 2022 - YEAR C **Remembrance Sunday / World Day of the Poor**

Cladding & Climate Change

A few weeks ago a bit of cladding fell off one of Woking's skyscrapers during a gale, closing Church Walk for several days while a scaffolding tower was put up to protect shoppers from anything else that might come down. It strikes me as a good metaphor for our approach to climate change as the COP27 conference continues in Egypt. New cladding can improve appearances and provide extra insulation, but it can also betoken change which is only skin-deep. Notice also that (understandably) the landlords' first response was not to fix the building but to build a pedestrian shelter so that we could return to 'business as usual'. Are we perhaps doing likewise in the face of global warming, just dealing with surface matters, avoiding the structural issues involved in protecting our children's future? We seem to hope that some clever form of scaffolding can stop the worst effects from landing on our own heads so we can carry on living as before ...

Cue this Sunday's Gospel: Jesus tells his awe-struck followers as they visit what was surely the biggest and most glitzy building they'd ever seen, the Jerusalem Temple: "All these things you are staring at now – the time will come when not a single stone will be left on another." They can scarcely believe his words, for we human beings seem to have a marked inability to recognise the transitory nature of things. We presume the permanence of our worldview, attitudes and habits.

We Christians are no different from others in this regard. Yet, as St John Henry Newman recognised, "Here below, to live is to change and to be perfect is to have changed often." Our knowledge of Truth (and of God) is a journey. If we're not willing to learn and to change, we're not really on that journey. And, yes, the change required does include changing our lifestyles in order to reduce our carbon footprint, both individually and as a community. Likewise, this Remembrance Sunday challenges us to register anew the unacceptable horror and waste of war. In all areas of life, our faith requires that we hear and amplify "the cry of the poor and the cry of the earth", as Pope Francis puts it.

Lest this sound like a message of doom and gloom, we should note that St. Luke wrote his Gospel after the destruction of Jerusalem – which really did feel like 'the end of the world' at the time. His response was not despair but renewed determination to share the Gospel and the hope it brings in a hostile world. Thus our reading ends not with threat but with promise: "Your endurance will win you your lives."

Fr. Rob

This Sunday is Remembrance Sunday

We recall all the victims of war at all our masses, each of which will include a time of silent prayer to remember, to mourn and to commit to building a world of peace and justice.

This Sunday is also the 6th World Day of the Poor, an initiative of Pope Francis at the end of the Extraordinary Year of Mercy in 2016. You can read his message for the day here: [Sixth World Day of the Poor, 2022: For your sakes Christ became poor \(cf. 2 Cor 8:9\) | Francis \(vatican.va\)](#).

Fr. Rob's Induction as parish priest of St Hugh's will be conducted by our Dean, Fr Paul Turner on the eve of our patronal feast, **Wednesday 16th November at 7.30pm**. All are warmly invited to attend. **After the Vigil Mass there will be a party in the hall**; a plate of finger food already prepared for the sharing table would be very welcome - the hall will be open from 7.00pm to receive. Please put your name/contact details on the back of the plate so it may be returned to you.

Christmas Bazaar Saturday 26th November in the Parish Hall from 11am - 2pm

A joint event between the school and the parish, to which all are warmly invited.

- ◇ **Grand Draw tickets now on sale** £1 a book. 1st prize £100, plus many others
- ◇ **Stallholders and general help now needed**. If you can help either on the night before to help set up or on the day as a stallholder, please sign the sheet in the Narthex. We will be in touch!
- ◇ **Donations now wanted**. There is a box in the Narthex for donations of the following:
 - Multipack sweets, wrapped sweets & chocolates
 - Children's very good/new toys and games
 - Colouring books, activity books, gel pens, coloured pencils, pencils etc
 - Unwanted birthday and Christmas gifts, including toiletries
 - Bottles for the bottle tombola e.g. spirits, wines, bubbly, beer, soft drinks
 - Books, DVDs & CDs - both adults and children's in good condition
 - On the day, we would welcome homemade jams and chutneys and, of course, cakes!
 - Please NO clothes (except for Christmas jumpers), electrical items or food

Consultation on Proposed Admission Arrangements for 2024-25

Notice is hereby given in accordance with legislation that the governing body as the admission authority of St Hugh of Lincoln Catholic Primary School is formally consulting on its proposed admission arrangements including oversubscription criteria for the school year 2024-25.

The Proposed changes are:

- A parent declaration that they have attended Sunday Mass at least once a month and have done so for at least one year prior to the closing date of the application will no longer be required.
- The SIF will no longer require the Priest to confirm that Mass attendance is accurate.
- The application will still need to be supported by the Parish Priest's signature.

The proposed Admission Policy and Supplementary Information Form can be viewed on the

Admission page of our school's website – www.sthugh-of-lincoln.surrey.sch.uk.

Alternatively, if you wish to request a printed copy of the admission arrangements, please contact Michele Higgins at St Hugh of Lincoln Catholic Primary School either by email - info@sthugh-of-lincoln.surrey.sch.uk or by telephone 01483 480441.

The six week consultation began on 04/11/2022 with the closing date for submitting comments being midnight on 18th December 2022. Please send any comments on the proposed changes to Michele Higgins by 12 noon on 18th December, either by email to info@sthugh-of-lincoln.surrey.sch.uk or by letter to St Hugh of Lincoln Catholic Primary School, Five Oaks Close, St John's, Woking, GU21 8TU.

November Lists: The November Lists are now available in the narthex. Please add the names of your deceased loved ones and place the list into the basket on the altar this week. All these names will be offered up for prayer during masses throughout November, the month of the Holy Souls.

Blessing of Graves: It is customary in many cultures to visit the graves of deceased relatives during the month of November. If you would like to take part in a short service and time of prayer, a member of the clergy team will attend at the following times:

Sunday	13th November	12.45pm	Brookwood Cemetery
Sunday	20th November	3.00pm	Chobham Cemetery

St Hugh of Lincoln Primary School is looking to appoint a Learning Support Assistant

For details <https://www.eteach.com/careers/sthugh-of-lincoln-surrey/job/learning-support-assistant-1285359>. The closing date is 18th November 2022 at 04:59 PM.

Looking for a Reception Class place at St Hugh's School, Five Oaks Close, St John's for September 2023? To book a visit, call 01483 480441 or email info@sthugh-of-lincoln.surrey.sch.uk.

Divine Renovation: Becoming a Church of Closeness, The Challenges and Opportunities of Synodality, **18th November 6pm**, online. What does Pope Francis mean when calling the Church to become a Church of closeness? What is synodality? What are the challenges and opportunities it presents for a parish living out its evangelising mission? Join Fr James Mallon, Sr Nathalie Becquart and Dr Hannah Vaughan-Spruce - [Register now!](#)

Diocesan Catechists' Day, 19th November, 11am - 4pm at Worth School

Fr Rob warmly commends to you the diocesan gathering for catechists who are already involved or interested in working with Children's Liturgy, Baptism, First Holy Communion and Reconciliation, Confirmation or RCIA. You can read more about the day here: [Catechists' Day \(19-Nov-2022\) - ChurchSuite Events](#). The parish will make the requested contribution for anyone who attends. Just let us know via the Parish Office if you are going. It may be possible to organise car-sharing, too.

Conference of Catholic Women at Ushaw, Durham

"Women at the Periphery taking Centre Stage" is the title of a forthcoming conference by the National Board of Catholic Women (NBCW) from **Friday 25th November - Sunday 27th November 2022**.

An invitation for the women of our diocese to attend this conference at Ushaw Historic house, Woodland Road, DH7 9RH. Worth making the journey to join Catholic women from England and Wales to connect, support and share knowledge with one another. Key speakers include Pat Jones and Karen Kilby from Durham University and Sr Maria Kolby General Secretariat of the Synod of Bishops. Bookings to Barbara Cookson nbcwtreasurer@gmail.com (there is no cost for this event but donations welcome).

St Vincent De Paul Society (SVP) is a voluntary organisation with over 7000 members in England and Wales with an active branch at St Dunstan's Woking. SVP specialise in person to person contact, visiting vulnerable people offering them friendship and support. If you, or you know someone struggling or lonely or wish to get involved, please contact via email: wokingsvp@gmail.com.

CAFOD Community Rosary: Every Thursday morning, 9:00am - 9:40am - Online

Join us on Thursday mornings at 9:00am on Zoom, as we pray the Joyful Mysteries of the rosary for the Care of Creation together as a CAFOD community. [Register](#) to join us.

Parking: Following complaints from residents, we are urging our parishioners to 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!

The Retiring Collection next Sunday is for the Arundel Cathedral Maintenance Fund (Gift Aid).

Mass Times and Intentions - ST HUGH OF LINCOLN CHURCH

Sunday Masses will be livestreamed via the Parish YouTube channel.

Confessions on Saturdays - 5.15pm to 5.45pm

Saturday 12th November - St Josaphat, Bishop, Martyr

6.00pm Vigil Mass Le Sanglier, Jefke, Marcel, Victor RIP

***SUNDAY 13TH NOVEMBER - THIRTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME* - YEAR C 2022**

9.30am Holy Mass People of the Parish

Monday 14th November - Feria in Ordinary Time, Week 33

No Mass

Tuesday 15th November - St Albert the Great, Bishop, Doctor

No Mass

Wednesday 16th November - St Edmund of Abingdon, Bishop

7.30pm Vigil of St Hugh of Lincoln Induction of Canon Rob Esdaile

Thursday 17th November - FEAST OF ST HUGH OF LINCOLN, BISHOP

10.00am Holy Mass Sue Haigh Birthday intentions

Friday 18th November - Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts Peter and Paul, Apostles

No Mass

Saturday 19th November - Our Lady on Saturday

6.00pm Vigil Mass Ann Magee RIP

***SUNDAY 20TH NOVEMBER - CHRIST THE KING* - YEAR C 2022**

9.30am Holy Mass People of the Parish

Last Week's Offertory Collection: Baskets - £344.46, Contactless - £30.00
and Standing Orders - £588.33, which were Gift Aided. Total - £962.79. Many thanks.

Weekday Mass Times and Intentions - ST DUNSTAN'S CHURCH

Weekend MASS TIMES - visit www.st-dunstans.org

Monday 14th November - Feria in Ordinary Time, Week 33

10.00am Holy Mass Hildegard Heuvelman RIP

Wednesday 16th November - St Edmund of Abingdon, Bishop

10.00am Holy Mass The Wingham Family

Thursday 17th November - Feast of St Hugh of Lincoln, Bishop

10.00am Holy Mass Kathleen Bingham (née McCloskey) RIP

Friday 18th November - Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts Peter and Paul, Apostles

10.00am Holy Mass David Townsend RIP



Prayer of St. Gertrude for the Souls in Purgatory

“Eternal Father, I offer you the most precious blood of your divine son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the Holy Souls in purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal church, those in my own home and within my family.

Amen.”