



St Hugh of Lincoln Catholic Church - Newsletter

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SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 15th January 2023 - YEAR A

Peace On Earth Through Peace With Our Planet

January 1 is 'World Peace Day' but our Bishops clearly recognise that British heads may not be in the best place to tackle complex ethical issues the morning after the Hogmanay before, so it is always this Sunday which they designate as 'Peace Sunday', using the theme given by Pope Francis. This year his message is: "*No one can be saved alone. Combatting Covid-19 together, embarking together on paths of peace.*" Pope Francis recalls the suffering which the Covid-19 pandemic caused for so many and the fault-lines in society which it highlighted.

He then asks what we have learned from the crisis. The greatest lesson, he suggests, is the realisation that we all need one another and that none of us can be saved alone. Secondly, "widespread problems of inequality, injustice, poverty and marginalisation continue to fuel unrest and conflict." On the other hand, the possibility of a new 'chastened' humility and a rethinking of consumerist excesses were also offered to us, together with the example of the tireless efforts of many to serve others. So Pope Francis invites us to restore to its central place the word, 'Together'. We must seek peace together by living altruistically and in solidarity with those in need.

Set against this vision of a common effort to build peace, the war in Ukraine is seen in all its tragic horror. It not only affects the combatants but is causing collateral damage far and wide. He wryly remarks that, while we may have found vaccines against Covid-19, we have yet to find effective measures to combat the virus of war, which is rooted in human sin.

In response, Pope Francis calls on us to let our hearts be converted by the crisis and highlights the connections which link apparently disparate events – wars, the effects of climate change, inequality, widespread hunger, the world refugee crisis. We must act together to serve the common good, working for peace and to safeguard the future of our common home.

It is particularly appropriate, therefore, that we launch this weekend at St. Dunstan's our journey towards achieving a Cafod 'Live Simply' award (a journey which we hope St. Hugh's parish will also begin shortly). How to live more simply, sustainably and in greater solidarity with the poor and vulnerable is a question which must challenge us, both individually and together as a parish. This isn't about a joyless, 'hair-shirt' approach to life. It is about having grounds for hope. It is about discovering that the path to joy passes by way of caring for our common home. Do, please, get involved!

Fr Rob

Prayers - We offer our prayers for the people of Ukraine and Russia and an end to this devastating conflict. Please keep in your prayers the sick and the housebound of our parish and all those who care for them. We pray for the repose of the soul of Susan Eaton and remember her family in our prayers. May she rest in peace.

WOKING FOODBANK collection **this weekend** - deadline 10.30am.

Help get 2023 off to a great start for St Hugh's Church by signing up to support us for FREE on **#easyfundraising**. You can raise donations whenever you shop online with over 7,000 brands including John Lewis & Partners, eBay, Argos, ASOS, M&S and more. Plus, once you've raised your first £5, easyfundraising will double it! Sign up today - it will make a BIG difference this year: <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/support-a-good-cause/step-1/?invite=25EYUB&char=252616&referral->

The annual **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity** is kept from **January 18-25** each year, with the theme this year, "**Be-Longing: Praying for Unity amidst Injustice**". The focus of the week in Knaphill is a united service at **Holy Trinity church on Chobham Road at 6.30pm on Sunday, January 22**. It is a great opportunity to meet and pray with fellow Christians in the area for the healing of the wounds in Christ's broken Body, the Church. Please do try to go along.

Living Presence - a Retreat at The House of Prayer led by Jill Benet, 20-22 Jan,

Cost: £200-220. A time to connect and rest in the presence that 'surpasses all understanding'. This retreat is suitable for those establishing a practice of Centering Prayer and those who wish to spend time in quiet practice with teaching, extended periods of prayer and silence. Book [here](#).

Time Out: Self-Guided Retreat at Worth Abbey, 20-22 Jan, Cost: £90 per night. Enjoy the rhythm of monastic prayer and liturgy, time in reflection, and the peace of the Sussex countryside. Optional daily Lectio Divina with the monastic timetable of divine office, liturgy, and the opportunity for a 1:1 meeting with a member of the monastic community. To book; E: retreats@worth.org.uk or T: 01342 710318

Who are You, O God, and Who am I!? A Retreat at the [Franciscan Centre Ladywell](#), 25-29 Jan, led by Br Paul Rout OFM, Cost: £100 non resident, £300 resident (inc food). This retreat will draw upon the inspiration of the writings of Saints Francis, Clare of Assisi and Bonaventure, and Pope Francis. For info or to book; E: franciscancentre@ladywell.org.uk or T: 01483 675575

Sharing the Church's Story, 11 Feb, 10am-5pm, QEII Centre, SW1P 3EE.

[Catholic Voices](#) and [Word on Fire](#) are hosting a one-day conference with dynamic speakers - including the internationally renowned Bishop Robert Barron. Whether you are a volunteer, parent, catechist, clergy, religious, or just want a boost for your faith life - this conference is for YOU. [Register here](#).

Youth Ministry Training Course (CCRS), with David Beresford of the Catholic Bible School, 25 Feb, 9.30am - 4:30pm at The St Philip Howard Centre, Crawley. Topics will include: relational authority, running effective ministry, praying and communicating with young people and what to do when there isn't a captive audience. [Email Lizzie](#) to find out more

Caritas Social Action Network, the Social Action Agency of the Catholic Church in England & Wales, has issued a statement about the autumn budget statement, highlighting concerns about the extreme hardship faced by many at this time, the failure to lift the two-child cap on Universal Credit payments and the delay in reforming the social care system, while acknowledging some advances made. They urge Catholics to write to their MPs on these matters.

See [Caritas Social Action Network - Caritas Social Action Network - CSAN](#)

Jackpot Club - Congratulations to Doug Rushton and Noah Harris on winning £49.50/£24.50 respectively in the December Draw. To join the Jackpot Club please contact the Parish Office.

The Alpha Course is starting again at St Dunstan's on **Monday 16th January 2023** from **7.15pm-9.00pm** in the Function Room and will run weekly for 11 weeks. This is a great opportunity to renew and re-energise your faith at the start of the New Year. It is open to anyone: existing parishioners, previous Alpha participants or those at the start of their Christian journey - to explore the building blocks of our faith with topics such as Who is Jesus?, How Can I Have Faith? Why and How Do I Pray? Each meeting starts with a shared light meal, followed by a talk on video and then small group discussion in an informal and relaxed atmosphere. To sign up for the course or request further info, contact woking@abdiocese.org.uk

**Day of Reflection for Ministers of the Word led by Bishop Richard,
21 January 11am - 4pm at [St Bernadette's Church Crawley](#).**

The day will include talks on the Scriptures, the Lectionary and its use in the Liturgy, the Liturgy of the Word, preparing to read, using microphones, Lectio Divina, and Mass. To register your free place click [here](#) or [contact](#) our Liturgy & Music Adviser, Catherine Christmas.

Annual Justice and Peace Assembly

Hungry for Change Saturday **28 January 2023** 9.30am-1.30pm at The Philip Howard Centre, Crawley, RH10 6RP. Join us at our Annual Justice and Peace assembly which will explore food and conflict and positive steps we can make. With Bishop Richard and speakers from CAFOD, Pax Christi and the Ecological Conversion Group. It is free of charge but booking is requested, so that we have an idea of numbers. This can be done through the Diocesan website. For more information, please contact Tessa Ricketts at Tessa.Ricketts@abdiocese.org.uk.

Request for Baptism

If you would like to enquire about receiving the sacrament of Baptism here at St Hugh's, then please download, and complete the Baptism Information Form from the "Children" tab on the Parish Website. Please contact the parish office if you require further details.

Please note Baptisms are normally celebrated on Sunday afternoons at 1pm.

CRIB COLLECTION FOR THE CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

The Catholic Children's Society (CCS) is helping local disadvantaged families facing severe hardship due to the cost-of-living crisis. Through their A&B Crisis Fund, CCS is providing immediate, practical support to families in need. There are many vulnerable families in need of support with parishes across Arundel & Brighton donating their Crib Offering to support this important work.

Every penny donated will be given out via CCS's A&B Crisis Fund to support local families in need.

You can donate at the Crib or via the CCS website www.cathchild.org.uk/crib.

The **Catholic Union** - which is dedicated to the defence of Catholic values in Parliament and public life - is encouraging people across our community to make their voices heard in a new Parliamentary inquiry into assisted suicide. The House of Commons Health and Care Committee recently launched an inquiry into [assisted dying/assisted suicide](#) with a call for evidence open until 20 January 2023.

In response to the inquiry, the Catholic Union has launched a short survey giving people the opportunity to share their views and experiences - encouraging those with a particular interest or expertise to submit evidence directly to the Committee, which is made up of a cross-party group of MPs. The Committee is expected to report and make recommendations to the UK Government in spring next year, with responses from the survey shaping the Union's evidence to the inquiry.

You can access the survey [here](#). *Information on how to support someone who is dying can be found on the Art of Dying Well website [here](#). The Diocese has a trained network of bereavement supporters based across our parishes, you can find out more by talking to your parish priest or contacting our Marriage and Family Life Project Officer, [Simon South](#).*

TODAY is Peace Sunday. The Retiring Collection is for Pax Christi

This year the message from Pope Francis tells us: 'No one can be saved alone. Combatting Covid-19 together, embarking together on paths of peace'. He asks us: 'What did we learn from the pandemic? What new paths should we follow to cast off the shackles of our old habits, to be better prepared, to dare new things? What signs of life and hope can we see, to help us move forward and try to make our world a better place?' A vaccine has been found for Covid-19, says the Holy Father, but we still need to tackle the virus of war, and of inequality, and this can only be done together. In this country we have an active Catholic peace movement in Pax Christi, which aims at working together to promote peace through parishes, schools and social media. Their website suggests ways we can all become better peacemakers. There are activities for families to do at home, including a peace liturgy for young children. paxchristi.org.uk/peace-sunday-2023. Pax Christi needs our support to keep going. You can make a donation using the Dona machine in the Narthex. To make a donation directly, follow tinyurl.com/yxfcw67x or send a cheque payable to 'Pax Christi' to: Pax Christi, St Joseph's, Watford Way, London NW4 4TY.

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 14th January - Our Lady on Saturday

12.00noon Holy Mass

For the Bereaved

6.00pm Vigil Mass

Jim & Florence Moore RIP

SUNDAY 15TH JANUARY - SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A 2023

9.30am Holy Mass

For the intentions of Vincent Hathway

Monday 16th January - Feria in Ordinary Time Week 2

No Mass

Tuesday 17th January - St Antony, Abbot

10.00am Holy Mass

People of the Parish

Wednesday 18th January - Feria in Ordinary Time Week 2

No Mass

Thursday 19th January - St Wulstan, Bishop

No Mass

Friday 20th January - St Fabian Pope, Martyr

10.00am Holy Mass

Sylvia Ferrie RIP

Saturday 21st January - St Agnes, Virgin, Martyr

6.00pm Vigil Mass

Mary Richards RIP

SUNDAY 22ND JANUARY - THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A 2023

9.30am Holy Mass

People of the Parish

Last Week's Offertory Collection: Baskets - £370.39, Contactless - £0.00 and Average Weekly Standing Orders - £588.33, which were Gift Aided. Total - £958.72. Many thanks.

Weekday Mass Times and Intentions - ST DUNSTAN'S CHURCH

Weekend Mass Times - visit www.st-dunstans.org

Monday	16th January	10.00am	Jimmy Gibbons RIP
Tuesday	17th January	No mass	
Wednesday	18th January	12noon	Requiem Mass—Francesco Frabocchio RIP
Thursday	19th January	10.00am	Requiem Mass— Maisie Bolton RIP
Friday	20th January	No Mass	

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.