

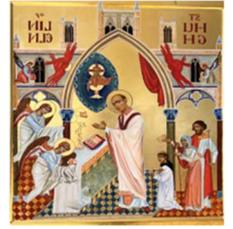


ST DUNSTAN'S CHURCH, *Woking*
ST HUGH OF LINCOLN CHURCH, *Knaphill*

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Deacon Russell Young, Deacon Rob Wellbelove



Second 'Transfiguration' Sunday in Lent, Sunday 1st March

The Cross And The Crown Of The Christian Vocation

The saying 'no Cross, no Crown' becomes our slogan as we Christians continue to journey into the Lenten Season. This is an acceptable time and a day of salvation (cf. 2 Cor 6:2) to repent and meditate on the suffering of our Lord, Jesus Christ. He told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me." (Matt 16:24)

In the first reading, God called Abraham to leave his home, relatives, tribe and country to go to another place unknown to him where God would bless him and make him a great nation. He did not mind the suffering on the way but embarked upon this journey without hesitation. Like Abraham, every Christian is called to serve God and bring the knowledge of God to his neighbours. Missionaries are specifically called to leave their relatives and country to go to a distant land which God chooses for their Apostolate. Others are called to bear witness to the gospel in their different Vocations.

In the second reading, St. Paul called Timothy to join him in his missionary work. St. Paul let him know that he would suffer as a loyal soldier of Christ in preaching the word of God. Likewise, Christians are called to follow Christ wholeheartedly; preaching the word of God with their lives without fear. God, who called us, "did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline." (2 Tim 1:7)

In the gospel, Jesus called the three of his Disciples, Peter, James and John, and led them up the mountain. As they were praying, Jesus was transfigured and there appeared to them Moses and Elijah speaking with Jesus. Moses represented the Law and Elijah represented the Prophets while Jesus became the fulfilment of what the Scripture said about both of them.

This momentary vision was given to strengthen them to face the suffering that would come their way as followers of Christ. "For we have been given the privilege of not only believing in him but also suffering for him." (Phil 1:29) Jesus suffered and later rose from the dead. If we share in his suffering, we are going to share in the glory of his resurrection.

In conclusion, all these readings extol the importance of suffering and self-mortification in our lives as followers of Christ. Without Good Friday, there will be no Easter. In our different Vocations, let us continue to carry our Cross in order to get the Crown of Glory in the end. May the grace of God be enough for us (cf. 2 Cor 12:9) for a fruitful Lenten Observance. *Fr Linus*

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK especially for those whose names are on our prayer board.

SERVICES DURING LENT

Stations of the Cross

At **St Hugh's** on Fridays starting Friday 20th February at 7.30 pm in English and 8.15 pm in Polish.

At **St Dunstan's** on Tuesdays after 10.00 am Mass and on Sundays at 4.00 pm.

At **St Dunstan's** on Wednesdays at 6.30 pm in Italian.

Parish Reconciliation Service

The Parish Reconciliation Service will take place at **St Dunstan's** on Friday 27th March at 7.30 pm.

SVP LENTEN LUNCHES

The SVP are hosting Lenten Lunches on Fridays of Lent, until 27th March, 12.30-2.30 pm. Will include a speaker. Soup, roll and cheese, tea and coffee. A donation of £5 would be appreciated. Parishioners from Our Lady's, West Byfleet, St Dunstan's and St Hugh's are very welcome. Do bring a friend. The speaker on the 6th March will be from LiveSimply.

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY COLLECTION

Please donate to our Family Fast Day retiring collection this weekend and live out the Gospel call to love your neighbour. By doing so you join in Christ's compassion and help another family put food on the table. Your donation can help families around the world grow food in difficult conditions – such as on flood-resistant floating gardens or using solar-powered water pumps in times of drought.



Collect a CAFOD envelope to bless others with your support, donate online at cafod.org.uk/envelope or call **0303 303 3030**. Text **CAFODLENT to 70085** to donate £10 or after Mass use the QR code on the lanyard worn by a member of the Cafod Team. If you missed the Cafod video, here is the link vimeo.com/1158327367/79d30720d4

UPCOMING FUNERALS

Requiem Mass for Ken Haigh RIP at St Dunstan's on Thursday 26th March at 12 noon.

FIRST RECONCILIATION

Please pray for the young people in our parish who will be celebrating their First Reconciliation this weekend. Please pray also for their families at this very special time. Please note there will be no Sacrament of Reconciliation after Saturday morning Mass at St Dunstan's on 28th February.

CONFIRMATION RITE OF ENROLMENT

Our Confirmation candidates will affirm their commitment and be presented to the parish this Sunday during the 5.30pm Mass. Please hold them in your prayers as they take the next step on their journey towards the sacrament.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR ENGAGED COUPLES

The parish would like to congratulate the following engaged couples who have recently completed their marriage preparation course: Katie & Ryan, Almudena & Declan, Elisha & Jonathon, Claudia & Ben, Marina & David, Maria Chiara & Gaetano, Laura & Tim. We wish them every blessing as they continue their journey towards Holy Matrimony. We also extend our sincere thanks to the catechist team who so generously gave their time and energies to prepare them.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Weekday Lectionary Cycle Year 1, Sunday Lectionary Cycle Year A

St Dunstan's Church: Weekday Mass with Morning Prayer at 9.45am then the Rosary

Saturday 28th February, Saturday of the First Week in Lent

10.00 am	St Dunstan	Mass	<i>The Gallagher Family</i>
10.00 am	St Hugh	Mass	<i>For the family & friends of Peter Doneux</i>
3.00 pm	St Dunstan	Ukrainian Eucharist	
6.00 pm	St Dunstan	Mass	<i>Frank & Eunice Connelly RIP</i>
6.00 pm	St Hugh	Mass	<i>Deceased members of the O'Riordan family</i>
7.15 pm	St Dunstan	Mass in Portuguese	

Sunday 1st March, Second 'Transfiguration' Sunday of Lent

9.00 am	St Dunstan	Mass	<i>T.V. Joseph RIP</i>
9.30 am	St Hugh	Mass	<i>People of the Parish</i>
10.30 am	St Dunstan	Mass	<i>Roy Richard Searle RIP</i>
12.00 pm	St Dunstan	Mass in Italian	
4.00 pm	St Dunstan	Stations of the Cross	
5.30 pm	St Dunstan	Mass	<i>All Parishioners</i>

Monday 2nd March, Monday of the Second Week in Lent

10.00 am	St Dunstan	Mass	<i>Anne Riddock RIP</i>
10.30 am	St Dunstan	Rosary & Adoration Until 2pm	

Tuesday 3rd March, Tuesday of the Second Week in Lent

10.00 am	St Dunstan	Mass	<i>Mrs Honora Corrierie (née McPherson) RIP</i>
10.30 am	St Dunstan	Stations of the Cross (no Rosary)	
10.00 am	St Hugh	Mass	<i>Margaret Earley RIP</i>

Wednesday 4th March, Wednesday of the Second Week in Lent

6.30 pm	St Dunstan	Stations of the Cross in Italian	
5.45 pm	St Hugh	Holy Hour	
7.00 pm	St Hugh	Mass	<i>Pawel Jarzabek</i>

Thursday 5th March, Thursday of the Second Week in Lent

10.00 am	St Dunstan	Mass	<i>Luisa Irranca RIP</i>
10.00 am	St Hugh	Mass	<i>Michael Alexander Roach RIP</i>

Friday 6th March, Friday of the Second Week in Lent

10.00 am	St Dunstan	Mass	<i>Felix Quinn RIP</i>
10.00 am	St Hugh	Mass	<i>Bruna Moore RIP</i>
7.30 pm	St Hugh	Stations of the Cross	
8.15 pm	St Hugh	Stations of the Cross in Polish	

Saturday 7th March, Saturday of the Second Week in Lent

10.00 am	St Dunstan	Mass	<i>Vincent Hogan RIP</i>
10.00 am	St Hugh	Mass	<i>For the election of a Bishop</i>
3.00 pm	St Dunstan	Ukrainian Eucharist	
6.00 pm	St Dunstan	Mass	<i>All Parishioners</i>
6.00 pm	St Hugh	Mass	<i>Jim & Edith Moore RIP</i>
7.15 pm	St Dunstan	Mass in Portuguese	

Sunday 8th March, Third Sunday of Lent

9.00 am	St Dunstan	Mass	<i>James Moreland RIP</i>
9.30 am	St Hugh	Mass	<i>People of the Parish</i>
10.30 am	St Dunstan	Mass	<i>Manfred Gramstadt RIP</i>
12.00 pm	St Dunstan	Mass in Italian	
4.00 pm	St Dunstan	Stations of the Cross	
5.30 pm	St Dunstan	Mass	<i>For the Intentions of Mary Young</i>

Sacrament of Reconciliation

St Dunstan's Church – After the Saturday 10.00 am Mass or by Appointment

St Hugh of Lincoln Church – After the Saturday 10.00 am Mass or before the Saturday Vigil Mass at 5.15pm to 5.45pm

CRAFT CLUB

The craft club will meet on Wednesday 4th March from 1.30 - 4:00 pm in the function room at St Dunstan's.

FOOD BANK

There will be a food bank collection at both St Dunstan's and St Hugh's next weekend, 7th/8th March. They are in particular need of Toilet Rolls, Cooking Oil, Pot Noodles, Small Cartons of Laundry Detergent, Tinned Corned Beef, Long Life Sponge Puddings and Washing Up Liquid. The deadline for donations at St Hugh's is after the 9:30am Mass on Sunday 5th. Thank you for your ongoing support.

ST DUNSTAN'S EASTER HAMPER RAFFLE

The Easter Hamper Raffle returns this year. Look out for raffle tickets on sale at all masses at St Dunstan's from 7th March up until Easter. Tickets will be £1 or £5 for a strip. Please give generously in support of Sr Munanie and the Ikutha Project. Your support is much appreciated.

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING - ST HUGH'S

Current Altar Servers! There will be two sessions of Altar Server training to which you are invited. Sundays 8th and 22nd March 2026 (11.00-11.45am). Ideally attending both. Advance Warning - Please look out for details of Altar Servers Practices and Sign Up Sheets for Easter soon! Thank you. Kevin.

SAVE THE DATE

Parish walk for Cafod. Saturday 14th March. Full details to follow.

QUIZ AND CURRY EVENING

The postponed LiveSimply Quiz and Curry Night will be held on Saturday 6th June at 7.30pm at St Dunstan's Church. More details to follow, but save the date and start planning your teams of 8 now!

MISSIO BOXES

If you are returning a red missio box, please ensure that it is handed into the parish office and not left out in the Narthex. Thank you.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

24-30 July 2026

Applications are now open for the Lourdes Pilgrimage. For prices and further information please visit www.abdiocese.org.uk/lourdes.

A RETREAT IN LOURDES: 21st – 25th September 2026

Spiritual Director: Fr Peter Andrews

A quieter alternative to the Diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes. You will be able to spend time in quiet, in prayer, in visiting the Lourdes Grotto, the Baths, and many other sites associated with Mary's apparitions to Bernadette in 1858. There will be the opportunity to join others in the group for Mass each day, for the processions and other daily prayers, but if you wish you can spend time alone or with friends or family. There is a trip to the Cirque de Gavarnie, a world heritage site, included for those who wish. If you would like to find out more then a brochure is available in the Parish Office or speak to Mary Smith.

WE NEED YOU!

We are in need of Ministers of Welcome and screen operators at St Hugh's 9.30am Mass. We work on a rota basis and the more we have on the rota the less frequently will you be called upon to minister. Training will be provided as you work alongside an experienced member of our team. Do think what you could do to serve our community. For further info speak with Roger after Mass or contact the Parish Office.

CAFOD'S BIG LENT WALK UPDATE

Thereza Macnamara has now walked 101.2 km since Ash Wednesday and raised £1588 from 32 donors – six of whom preferred to remain anonymous. She is now Fourth on the Leaderboard. The number of donors is more important than the size of the donations, because it demonstrates the number of people who CARE. She is also encouraging children to donate some of their pocket money. All cash donations can be left in an envelope in the letter box that is on the left hand side outside the church or put through the letter flap of the office. Please write "Thereza - CAFOD" and your name on the envelope so that it can be identified as your donation, and write your name and contact details on a piece of paper inside the envelope, so that she can thank you, unless you prefer to remain anonymous. Every Little Counts. Please use the link walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/therezas-fundraising-page

ST HUGH'S SAFETY NOTICE

Please could we kindly request that you do not place lit tea candles on the tray under the candle holders. If all the holders are full with lighted candles, place your unlighted candle on the tray and the sacristan will ensure that your votive lights are lit and placed on the holders when space permits. Also, please light candles from the back down to the front of the stand to save people having to reach over already lit candles; this poses a fire risk to fellow parishioners. Thank you.

EASYFUNDRAISING

Sign up to easyfundraising at St Hugh's and when you shop online with your favourite retailers, they'll donate to us. It's free and your shopping won't cost you any extra – the retailers you shop with will donate, not you!
join.easyfundraising.org.uk/sthughschurchknaphill/25EYUB/s2s/DKt29s1J/SE867/facebook/



Recycling Blister Packs

Anyone taking tablets can quickly go through the blister packs in which some medications and vitamins are supplied. The used plastic packs - covered in foil, with individual compartments for the pills - are hard to recycle. They cannot be put in our curbside recycling collections and doing so could cause a whole batch of otherwise recyclable materials to be rejected. The good news is that Boots has started collecting these packs to be recycled and a large collection box is available in their Woking branch (currently located near the pharmacy counters). If you wish, you can even earn Boots Advantage Points for recycling your packs [boots.com/shopping/boots-recycling-scheme/blister-pack-recycling](https://www.boots.com/shopping/boots-recycling-scheme/blister-pack-recycling). The foil will be removed and recycled conventionally (aluminium is infinitely recyclable), whilst the plastic will be processed and used for other things (such as piping or playground equipment). Boots promises that nothing will go to landfill or incineration.

For more [tips](#), [blogs](#), [resources](#), and [links to local events](#), visit our [LiveSimply Award website](#) livesimplywoking.org. Please feel free to make suggestions or get involved, by contacting our team through the [website](#) or at livesimply@st-dunstans.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER - MARCH 6TH 2026

The Woking service will be held at 10.30am at Trinity Methodist Church, Brewery Road, Woking, GU21 4LH. The Service will also be 'live streamed' on YouTube under [Trinity Methodist Church Woking](#). Donations to the work of WDP may be made through cash and cheques. Everyone Welcome!

The Knaphill service this year will be held at Woodhill Church (Holy Trinity), Chobham Road at 10.45am.

The service has been prepared by Christian Women from Nigeria. It is written in response to the theme *I will give you rest, come* (Matthew 11:28-30) and shares the stories of four Nigerian women who inspire us to work towards a world without injustice, insecurity, marginalisation, religious persecution, poverty and despair.

EPWORTH GENESIS

A two choir collaboration plus the Chameleon Arts Orchestra! Joseph Haydn's 'The Creation', conducted by Charlie Perry and Florence Price. Saturday 28th March 7.30pm at Welcome Church Woking, Church St, GU21 6DJ. Tickets £25 including refreshments and programme www.epworthchoir.org

WOKING DEBATES

Is our right to protest under threat? Successive governments have been placing more and more restrictions on peaceful protest in this country. Are all forms of protesting going to become illegal? Ahmed Afana, a Palestinian activist, and Ruth Breddal, a human rights activist, will open the discussion. There will be ample opportunity for everyone to share their views and concerns about this important topic. Saturday 7th March, 11 am - 12:30 pm, United Reform Church, White Rose Lane and on Zoom. Contact Keith Scott 01483 824980 keithsc_2000@yahoo.com for more details.

LIVESTREAM INFORMATION

Services from St Dunstan's Church are streamed by [ChurchServicesTV](#)

Services from St Hugh of Lincoln are streamed on [YouTube](#)

SUNDAY READINGS

Genesis 12:1-4, Psalm 33:4-5,18-20,22, 2 Timothy 1:8-10, Matthew 17:1-9

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Thank you for the St Dunstan's Sunday collection on 21st/22nd February of £4853.95. Please consider setting up a monthly standing order and adding a further 25% via GiftAid at no cost to you if you are a UK taxpayer. The forms to set up GiftAid to St Dunstan's Church are available on the GiftAid table in the narthex or the parish website.

Thank you for the St Hugh's Sunday collection on 21st/22nd February of £1,097.01. To set up GiftAid for St Hugh of Lincoln Church visit sthughoflincoln.com/gift-aid-giving/ for the forms and more details.

MARRIAGES

Couples wishing to get married in a Catholic Church are reminded to give a year's notice of their intention to allow adequate time to prepare for the life-changing promises that they are making and so that the parish community can support you on your journey. To enquire about being married at either St Dunstan's or St Hugh's, please use the QR code. Thank you.



BAPTISMS

Parents wishing to apply for baptism for their infant or pre-school child to take place at St Dunstan's or St Hugh's, please submit an application using the QR code. Most celebrations of Baptism take place on the second Saturday of the month at St Dunstan's and the last Sunday of the month at St Hugh's.



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