



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

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Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Sunday 19th July 2026

Summertime!

Ahh, summertime is here. A wonderful feeling. A time to get away, refresh, renew, take a break, recreate. The schools are finished for the academic year, for some the end of a stage in their academic lives, for others a completely new life in the working world beckons. Some may be contemplating their first summer as a retired person. So many things to so many people. Life in the parish takes on a slightly less frantic pace, and we can all find time to rest up a bit. And in the preparations for the great get-away, frantic efforts are underway to locate passports, buckets and spades, and those little paper flags that you stick into the top of sandcastles. There were definitely some left over from last year...

Of course, what with the weather being the way it is, you might be thinking about a 'staycation' instead of travelling abroad to seek out the sun. And why not? The UK has much to offer.

Our scriptures for this weekend have a theme of the righteous and forgiving nature of God running through. The gospel from Matthew continues on from last week's parable of the sower and also continues the agricultural theme. It's a series of mini-parables, but the most striking one is that of the wheat and the weeds (some translations refer to the weeds as darnel, a vigorous weed that resembled wheat in appearance, making it difficult to distinguish one from the other)

This parable reminds us that there is good and bad in almost everything, and elsewhere in scripture we are reminded that God bestows the gifts of rain (I wish!) and sunlight on all men, good and evil, and so it is in this parable. As with last weekend's gospel reading, Jesus explains this parable to his disciples. The weeds, representing the sons of the evil one, are to be allowed to grow alongside the wheat, representing the sons of God, until the harvest, when they will be gathered in together and then sorted. This speaks of the mercy and patience of God, because he gives those who have not turned to him as yet the time to do so. We may not be living the kind of life that we ought to be, but God is loving and patient. He gives us time to return to the right path. But make no mistake, there will be a reckoning should we ignore the invitation.

A good rest can give us the ideal opportunity to take stock and review. Maybe there are some areas of our lives that could do with tidying up, and these coming weeks may well be the ideal time to do it.

Enjoy your rest, however you manage it. *Deacon Russell Young*

Fr Rob Writes:

Parish Magazine: The Summer edition of the parish magazine is now available and is a good read. If you take a copy, please pass it on to someone else to share news of our community. A big thank you to Michael McGrath for editing it and to all our contributors. You can also read it online at the parish website.

Parish Office: The Parish Office will be staffed only on a very restricted basis during the summer school vacation period. For the most part, the office at St Dunstan's will be staffed on a Friday and the office at St Hugh's on a Tuesday morning. Please anticipate delays in replying to e-mails and telephone messages. However, Father Rob will continue to be resident at St Dunstan's and Father Hilary and Father Linus will be resident at St Hugh's through the coming weeks. There will be a weekly newsletter except on August 15-16. Have a blessed summer.

PRAYER FOR OUR BISHOP-ELECT

'O God, eternal and loving Shepherd,
we bless and thank you for the appointment of your servant, Stephen,
to our Diocese of Arundel and Brighton.
May your Holy Spirit grace him with a spirit of counsel and fortitude,
a spirit of knowledge and piety,
so that he may gently and courageously sanctify, teach and govern
the Church of Arundel and Brighton as we work together to build up the kingdom of
heaven.
May he be a shepherd after your own heart,
who, with compassion and wise discernment, will care for
and lead your people with the joy of the Gospel.
Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.'

UPCOMING FUNERALS

Requiem Mass for Pauline Delaney RIP, St Dunstan's Church, 10.30 am, Tuesday 21st July.

Requiem Mass for James Gerald Hagan, St Dunstan's Church, 10 am, Thursday 30th July

Requiem Mass for Salvatore Scandone RIP, St Dunstan's Church, 12 noon, Friday 31st July

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF
THE SOUL OF

James Hagan RIP

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord,
May he rest in peace

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE
SICK especially for *Pierre Le Marchant*.

ST DUNSTAN'S CHURCH AND ST HUGH OF LINCOLN CHURCH - MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

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

Saturday 18th July, Weekday

10.00 am St Dunstan Mass

Jean Sylvester RIP

10.00am St Hugh Mass

3.00 pm St Dunstan Ukrainian Liturgy

6.00pm St Dunstan Mass

Ismael Diaz Gonzalez RIP

6.00 pm St Hugh Mass

People of the Parish

Sunday 19th July, Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9.00 am St Dunstan Mass

All Parishioners

9.30 am St Hugh Mass

Sheila Ginty

10.30 am St Dunstan Mass

Daniel Noble

12.00 noon St Dunstan Mass in Italian

5.30 pm St Dunstan Mass

Christine Czepukojc RIP

Monday 20th July, Weekday

10.00am St Dunstan Mass

Kevin Flaherty RIP

10.30 am St Dunstan Adoration until 2.00 pm

Tuesday 21st July, Weekday

10.30 am St Dunstan Requiem Mass for Pauline Delaney RIP

10.00 am St Hugh Mass

Deacon Rob

Wednesday 22nd July, St Mary Magdalene, Feast

10.00 am St Dunstan St Dunstan's School end of term Mass Oswald Fernandes RIP

5.45 pm St Hugh Holy Hour

7.00 pm St Hugh Mass

Maria Grazia's family

Thursday 23rd July, St Bridget of Sweden, Patron of Europe, Feast

10.00 am St Dunstan Mass

In Thanksgiving, Philomena

10.00 am St Hugh Mass

Friday 24th July, Weekday

10.00 am St Dunstan Mass

Special Intention

10.00 am St Hugh Mass

7.30pm St Dunstan Mass in Portuguese

Saturday 25th July, St James, Apostle, Feast

10.00 am St Dunstan Mass

Eric Smith RN RIP

10.00am St Hugh Mass

For all sick and injured St Hugh's parishioners

3.00 pm St Dunstan Ukrainian Liturgy

6.00pm St Dunstan Mass

For the beatification of Fr Jacques Hamel

6.00 pm St Hugh Mass

Jim and Edith Moore RIP

Sunday 26th July, Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9.00 am St Dunstan Mass

Mairi O'Connell

9.30 am St Hugh Mass

People of the Parish

10.30 am St Dunstan Mass

Peter Morrison RIP

12.00 noon St Dunstan Mass in Italian

5.30 pm St Dunstan Mass

All Parishioners

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, 5.15pm to 5.45pm

BAPTISM

Please pray for Romie-Mae who will be baptised this weekend. Please pray also for her parents and godparents.

THANK YOU

Herbie Chappell would like to thank Fr Rob, the choir and the 10.30 Mass congregation for helping to make his 90th birthday celebration so special last Sunday.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY AND TODDLERS' PRAYERS OVER THE SUMMER

St Dunstan's Church: Please note that the Children's Liturgy and Toddlers' prayers teams will be taking a break over August.

St Hugh of Lincoln Church: There will be Children's Liturgy this weekend, July 19th, and then the team will be taking a break over the summer, resuming in September.

BABY & TODDLER GROUP

The St Dunstan's Baby & Toddler Group will be taking a short break over the summer. We look forward to our next regular session on 10th September, 9-11.30am in the Function Room.

In the meantime, we will be having a group picnic in the parish garden on 20th August, 11.30am to 1.30pm. Bring your own picnic blanket and a plate of food to share. Older siblings are welcome!

CONFIRMATION 2026/27

Those who will be starting Year 10 or above in September will be eligible to sign up for the Confirmation preparation course for the coming academic year. Please keep an eye on the newsletter during September, when the online application form will open.

ST DUNSTAN'S FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2026/27

If you have a child, or children, who will be in year 3 or above in September and you think that they may be ready to celebrate their First Reconciliation and Holy Communion in 2027, then please make a note of the date: **Tuesday 8th September 2026**. There will be a meeting that evening at **7pm** which you will need to attend (parents, not children). We will outline for you how the course will run and distribute details of the key dates and events in the programme. Registration will open after this meeting.

ST HUGH'S FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME 2026/27

Families with children in year 3 or above in September are welcome to join our programme to prepare to receive the sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion. Registration will be open in September; details will be in the newsletter. The course runs from October to June, with monthly classes on Tuesday evenings and celebration of Mass together one Sunday per month. All dates will be published when registration opens. Any questions can be sent to Amy at sthugh.holycommunion@gmail.com

REFRESHMENTS AFTER 5.30PM MASS

There will be refreshments after the 5.30pm Mass on Sunday 19th July.

FILM CLUB

The next Film Club showing, at 2pm on Tuesday, 28th July in the Function Room at St Dunstan's, will be From Time to Time. Premiered in 2009, the film is a fantasy drama, featuring Maggie Smith, Tomothy Spall and Pauline Collins.

GARDENING AT ST HUGH'S

THIS SATURDAY 18 July from 9.30am-12 noon. As always, there is plenty of work to do around the grounds. Please bring along your suncream and gardening implements to help us remove the ever-growing weeds, trim shrubs and all the other things needed to make our grounds look neat and tidy. Many hands make light work. Refreshments will be provided.

SUMMER ART CAMP FOR CHILDREN AND ADULTS

Planning an activity for the Summer holidays? Why not try our free summer art camps at St Dunstan's Church. Suitable for all ages. Parent or Guardian must accompany children throughout the session. All materials will be provided.

Summer camp will run over 1 week from 24th to 28th August from 9.30 am - 12 noon. Booking is essential so that we can plan sessions and arrange materials. Please email dcartcamp26@gmail.com

PRAYER PETITIONS FOR LOURDES

The Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes begins on Friday 24th July. If you would like any petitions to be taken to the Grotto, then please place them in a marked envelope for the attention of Mary Smith.

The Pastoral Theme for the Sanctuary this year is "Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with thee." The Diocesan Pilgrimage organisers have prepared small cards with the words of the Angelus for use by those on the Pilgrimage. It will be prayed each day just before lunch in the hotels (12.00 noon). Some of the cards are available on the newsletter stand for anyone who would like to join us in prayer for the Pilgrimage. Please help yourselves.

CAFOD

A huge thank you to all who signed the CAFOD petition a couple of weekends ago. If you didn't get the opportunity to sign there is still time to do so online through the CAFOD website cafod.org.uk/campaign/latest-campaigns. At St Hugh's, you can still sign the petition. The sheets are in the narthex.

END OF SUMMER FAYRE

Would you be willing to have a Leaders Estate Agent board outside your house advertising our End of Summer Fayre? If so, please contact pfc.knaphill@abdiocese.org.uk asap. If we can achieve 50 boards, Leaders will donate £250 to our End of Summer Fayre event which is to take place on Saturday 12 September at St Hugh's School from 12 noon - 3.00pm. As always, the monies raised will benefit both the school and the parish. The Fayre was originally planned for June, but due to the very hot weather, it will take place in September.



SEED, PLANT AND PRODUCE SWAP

The next seed, plant, and produce swap will take place THIS WEEKEND 18th/19th July at all Masses at both St Dunstan's and St Hugh's churches. Please bring your surplus seeds, plants and produce to share with others and, thereby, reduce waste. You do not have to have brought anything yourself in order to take whatever is on offer – everything is free. However, should you wish, you are most welcome to make a donation to our overseas sustainable farming project in Ikutha, Kenya, and thereby help a community struggling with poverty and climate change. Members of the Live Simply team will be on hand to offer assistance and take any cash donations (and the project is listed on the Dona machines for card payments). We look forward to seeing you.

ST DUNSTAN'S OVERSEAS PROJECT JACKPOT CLUB- IKUTHA, KENYA

The June draw will be held after the 9am Mass on Sunday 19th July 2026.

Will you be a winner? Join the Jackpot Club and help Sister Munanie (The Poor Servants of the Mother of God) support the struggling community of Ikutha, Kenya, with sustainable farming in these times of drought. You can join at any time to be included in the next month's draw. Please collect a registration form from the Narthex or contact Vida email: livesimply@st-dunstans.org

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

DIOCESAN EVENTS

Young Adults' Retreat Day, Saturday 26 September 2026 10am-6.30pm at St Wilfrid's Burgess Hill. Tickets start from £20pp.

To book your place or find out more visit the Diocesan website events page www.abdiocese.org.uk/diocese/events. Participants are very welcome to join the Parish Mass at 6.30pm, with social time at a local pub to follow.

Marriage Anniversaries Mass, Saturday 3 October, 11.30am at Arundel Cathedral

To book your free place visit the Diocesan website events page www.abdiocese.org.uk/diocese/events

'Mary, Cause of our Joy' Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham 23- 25 October 2026

Led by Fr David Murphy, journey in prayer to Walsingham this autumn, joining people from across our Diocese at "England's Nazareth". Pilgrims will travel to Walsingham by coach, with collection and return at The St Philip Howard Centre, Crawley, RH10 6RP. To book your place or find out more visit the Diocesan website or use this link <https://abdiocese.churchsuite.com/events/kjbnthfp>

LIVESTREAM INFORMATION

Services from St Dunstan's Church are streamed by [ChurchServicesTV](https://www.churchservices.tv)

Services from St Hugh of Lincoln are streamed on [YouTube](https://www.youtube.com)

SUNDAY READINGS

Wisdom 12:13,16-19; Psalm 86:5-6, 9-10,15-16; Romans 8:26-27; Matthew 13:24-43

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Thank you for the St Dunstan's collection for 11th/12th July of £4,496.75. Thank you also for £406.90 for Stella Maris.

Thank you for the collection at St Hugh's for 11th/12th July of £1,105.64. Thank you also for £276 for Stella Maris.

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. 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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