

# HEMEL CATHOLIC PARISHES

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The Resurrection + St Mary & St Joseph +  
Our Lady Queen of All Creation + St Mark

Diocese of Westminster Charity N° 233699

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## Hemel Catholic Parishes

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*"We are not called by God to do extraordinary things, but to do ordinary things with extraordinary love."* These are the words of a modern day saint, **Jean Vanier** who died this week. Jean started the L'Arche movement which continues to help people with disabilities, mental health challenges and learning needs live fulfilling lives in communities of love and respect. May Jean Vanier rest peacefully and may his vision of the dignity of every human being continue in the work of L'Arche. [www.larche.org/en/web/jeanvanier/home](http://www.larche.org/en/web/jeanvanier/home)

Today is **Good Shepherd Sunday**. We hear the Gospel of Jesus the Good Shepherd. It is traditionally the day when we think about Vocation in the Christian life and we pray especially for vocations in the Church. Every one of us has a vocation to love; this is the fundamental call of the Christian. Some of us live out that vocation in marriage and family life; others live it out in the vocation to priesthood or religious life. Others respond to this vocation to love as single people who similarly *seek to do ordinary things with extraordinary love*. Whatever our vocation is, it is a gift from God and we pray that many more of us will understand our purpose in life within Christ's call to be love in the world.

The Church in our time is having to manage with fewer priests. We know all too well here in Hemel Hempstead what that means. With fewer priests, we have fewer Masses, fewer parishes, and fewer chances to encounter Christ in the Sacraments. And while the debates about married priests and women priests will continue, the need to pray for vocations and support those already training for the priesthood is ever urgent. So please join us in prayer that men from our own parishes will hear the Lord's call to become priests and respond to that call, [www.rcdow.org.uk/vocations](http://www.rcdow.org.uk/vocations). And please be generous to next week's collection for the training of our future clergy.

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*Congratulations to our children who make their 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion this weekend. We look forward to seeing them at our Masses next weekend when they will receive their certificates.*

**Hemel Catholic Notices**

**SACRAMENT OF  
RECONCILIATION**

Saturday 10.30 – 11am (*Our Lady's*)

Saturday 11am – 11.30am (*Boxmoor*)

### **ADORATION & BENEDICTION**

Saturday 10.30-11am (*Our Lady's*)

First Friday after 10am Mass at BM & from 2.30pm at OLQ. Exposition at Grovehill after 10am Mass on Thursday.

**Going into Hospital?** If you are going into Hospital do ask to see a Catholic Chaplain. Please call the Chaplaincy office on 01923 217994 or 07776598704 for Watford and St Albans.

### **Getting Married in Church?**

Please be aware that you must give at least 6 months' notice if you want to get married in a Catholic Church. This is because there is often a lot of paperwork to get done and couples must attend a pre-marriage course. Don't set a date until you have spoken with a priest.

**Hemel Youth Ministry Website:** Please visit [www.hemelcatholicyouth.co.uk](http://www.hemelcatholicyouth.co.uk).

### **Baptism Preparation**

Parents who wish to have their children baptised are required to attend our baptism course. At least one parent must be a practising Catholic and be known to the priests. **The next seminar will be 10am until 12.30pm on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June at St Marks.** Dates for the baptism will be set at this meeting. Parents are asked to speak to the clergy after Mass and read the baptism information sheet, found in the porch and apply online to attend using this address:

<https://hemelcatholic.typeform.com/to/JRf03u>

**Priest Training Fund:** Today is Good Shepherd Sunday, the day we pray for priests and for vocations to the priesthood. The annual collection for the Priest Training Fund will take place next weekend. This fund pays for the priestly formation of men for the Catholic priesthood. There are currently 45 men studying at Allen Hall seminary, 27 of whom are from our own Diocese, and last year eight men were ordained to the priesthood to serve as our future priests. This fund also supports the ongoing enrichment and formation of our ordained priests. Your generous donation helps ensure we can support these men who are called to be like Christ the Good Shepherd. Donation leaflets are available at the back of the church. Please take one home, read the information, and bring it back next weekend with your donation. Please continue to pray for vocations and for our priests. You can donate online anytime at [www.rcdow.org.uk/donations](http://www.rcdow.org.uk/donations).

Please keep all our young people in your prayers this week as they start their exams.

### **Forthcoming Funerals**

**Christopher Rensch RIP:** Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May 11.30am at Grovehill.

**Jim Furlong RIP:** Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 10.30am at Our Lady's

May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

**Standing Orders:** A reminder that it is essential for parishioners who support the parish by way of Standing Order to transfer their payments to the Hemel West or Hemel East parish accounts. To those who have payments arranged to St Mark's please transfer them to WRCDT Hemel West 40-05-20 31095048; to those who have payments arranged to Grovehill please transfer them to Hemel East 40-05-20 81095021 asap.

**Churches Together Prayer intention for this week:** Church of the Resurrection, Grovehill, with their Anglican & Free Church congregation and their RC congregation.

**Climate Change - Heading for Extinction:** A meeting on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May 7.30pm until 9pm at the Quaker Meeting House, The Alley off St Mary's Road, HP2 5ZB. The speakers will be Scientists Dr Kate Jeffrey and Emily Spry.

**Taize at St John's:** Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May at 6.30pm. All welcome.

**Community Prayer at Liberty Tea Rooms, Bank Court:** Enjoy a cup of tea at 5pm and then an hour of prayer until 6.30pm on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> May. All are welcome.

**Churches Together in Hemel Hempstead:** We will be having an Early Summer Ramble on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June. Meet at St John the Baptist Church, Great Gaddesden for a 4-4.5 mile walk to Gaddesden Place and Jockey End. The walk will take 2-2.5 hours. We will pause regularly for catch up. The walk includes a 65m moderate climb. Please bring suitable boots and clothing.

**Churches Together in Hemel Hempstead AGM** Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June, 7pm for 7.30pm at the Church of the Resurrection.

**A very big 'thank you' for allowing Mary's Meals** to have its Rags to Riches collection at Our Lady's and Grovehill last Sunday. I am delighted to say that the parishes managed to give 1,150 kg of unwanted clothes; there were also cash donations of £1014.64 making a total contribution of £1658.64. The amount raised will feed 119 children who will not only get fed one good, nutritious meal every school day for a whole year, but they will get an education too.

**CAFOD report:** "our generous donations in Lent 2018 were matched by the UK Government. So far CAFOD has taught 1,403 people how to adapt their farming methods to a changing climate; identified 17 sites for new community vegetable gardens; planted 233 fruit trees in schools; trained 27 nurses and community health workers to spot malnutrition. Thank you so much."

4<sup>th</sup> Boxmoor Scout Group is open to new members from all four parishes: Please call Pete West on 07949 936 994 or email [peteandsue8@virginmedia.com](mailto:peteandsue8@virginmedia.com).

## Church of the Resurrection

*Henry Wells Square, Grovehill, HP2 6BJ*

*Welcome to Highfield and Grovehill Parish Community. If you are new to the parish you are invited to complete a 'New to the Parish', form, which you will find at the back of the church.*

For Parish Room or Church bookings contact Pedro on 07917 813 476 or [entapryz@hotmail.com](mailto:entapryz@hotmail.com).

**We pray for the Departed:** Jim Furlong, Shane McKenna, Merlyn & Melville Carvalho, Daniel McPherson, Rose McCracken, Julie & Guy Thomas, Sadie Copp & Christopher Rensch

**We pray for the Sick:** Jim Fitzgerald, Steph & David Noble, James Newark & Mrs Figueriedo

**Rock 'n Roll Bingo:** Well what can I say bingo to music. What a fun social evening was had by all. In total we raised £512 for DENS which is fantastic. The large sum raised is due, in part, to a generous donation of £250 from Boston Scientific Limited via Monty with the remainder via ticket and raffle sales. We are eternally grateful for your continued generosity and support of events such as these. A big thank you to the CATHLEP Dens team and Monty for their help before, during and after the event. Watch out for news of our next event later in the year.

## Ss Mary & Joseph

*St Johns Road, Boxmoor, HP1 1NR*

*Welcome to Ss Mary & Joseph's Parish Community. If you are new to the Parish you are invited to complete a 'New Parish Records Form', which you will find on the table at the back of the church.*

**Parish Centre Bookings or Enquires:** If you are interested in using the Parish Centre for an event, party or meeting, please contact Shirley Bailey on 07533 965 372 or email [hallbookings@smj.hemelcatholic.org](mailto:hallbookings@smj.hemelcatholic.org).  
**Caretaker:** Mick Prindiville. Contact on 07926 141800.

**We pray for the Departed:** Joan Smith, Tom Sherlock, Paul Waweru, Patricia Mansfield, Rita Turner & Deceased Members of the Crowley Family

**We pray for the Sick:** Ted Turvey, Lucinda, Kitty Hampton, Lenord Cash & Mary Langton

**There will be a full Scouts' Church Parade on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May**, after the 8.45am Mass. You can also join the Scouts' Coffee Morning in the Parish Centre, Boxmoor for tea/coffee, bacon and sausage sandwiches. You can also browse our selection of Fairtrade goods. Everyone is welcome.

**Red Box (Missio) Collection:** There are some named red boxes at the back of church waiting to be collected. Our next collection will be in October. Please contact me if your box needs emptying before then. You can contact Debra on 07771 811 027 or email [redboxmoor@gmail.com](mailto:redboxmoor@gmail.com).

**London Marathon:** Your support for David has been truly amazing. So far, over £800 has been donated online ([virginmoneygiving/davidturner10](http://virginmoneygiving/davidturner10)). Your donations after Mass will result in almost £1,200 (including gift aid) if all promised donations are received. On behalf of the staff and orphans at Mother's Village, we thank David for his dedication and commitment to hours of training. The Lord sees the efforts he has made for the least of His brethren. Feel free to donate online or leave your donation in an envelope marked David Turner or Pat Henry. Every penny of your donation will reach the Orphanage. May the Lord bless you all.

## Our Lady Queen of All Creation

*Rant Meadow, HP3 8PG*

*Welcome to Our Lady's Church & Parish Community. If you are new to the parish you are invited to complete a 'New to the Parish' form, which you will find at the back of the church.*

If you are interested in booking the Parish hall contact Shirley Bailey at [hallbookings@olq.hemelcatholic.org](mailto:hallbookings@olq.hemelcatholic.org) or call 07519 837 130. **Caretaker:** Mick Prindiville. Contact on 07926 141 800.

**Prayer lists:** Please fill out the form in the church foyer. Names will remain on the list for four weeks unless otherwise requested.

**We pray for the Sick:** Jack Barrett, Simon de Winter, Matthew Hay, Jo & Steve Hambling, Suzy Monvoisin, Bernard Cronin & Family, Kitty Hampton, Nora Watson Shelly Berryman, Alexandra Ashby, Peter Heffernan, Lorraine Moran, Patrick O'Donnell & Gavin

**Please pray for the Departed:** Jim Furlong

**Catholic Women's League, Adeyfield:** We will meet in the Church hall at 8pm on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May.

## St Mark

*Hollybush Lane, Warners End, HP1 2PH*

*Welcome to St. Mark's Church and Parish community. If you are new to the parish you are invited to complete a 'New to the Parish' form, which you will find at the back of the church and place it in the "New to Parish" folder in the porch.*

**Please pray for the Sick:** Eddie John O’Sullivan, Antonia la Fuente, Vera Collimore, Sally Howes, Lily Dalimore, Margaret Watt & Hannah Raynsford

**Please pray for the Departed:** Bella Reynolds, Walter Briggs, Marjorie Bywater, Margaret Mather, Melissa Lamb, Bill Collins, Fred Hailes, Charles Ramsay, Margot Hannon, Elizabeth Kelleher, Maurice & Maud Prindiville

## Hemel Ordinariate Mission

*Pastor: Fr Simon Chinery*

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**Welcome.** We are based at St Mark’s; meeting on Sundays at 8.45am and Wednesdays at 7.45pm for Mass. Morning Prayer is celebrated on Sundays at 8.15am.

**All are welcome at our Services**

*Pope Francis writes (in Laudato Si):* No creature is self-sufficient. Creatures exist only in dependence on each other, to complete each other in service of each other. (LS86)

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## Mass Times and Intentions this week

<b>(GH) Grovehill, (BM) Ss Mary &amp; Joseph Boxmoor, (SM) St Mark, (OLQ) Our Lady's, (ORD) Ordinariate</b>	
Sat 11 <sup>th</sup>	5pm (OLQ) Richard Frost RIP 6pm (BM) Tom Sherlock RIP ANNIV
Sun 12 <sup>th</sup>	8.45am (SM/Ordinariate) 8.45am (BM) Paul Waweru RIP 9am (GH) Johano D’Costa RIP 10.15am (SM) Elizabeth Kelleher RIP 10.30am (OLQ) Eddie & Eileen Sheridan RIP ANNIV 11.45am (BM) Patrick Roach Birthday 12 Noon (OLQ) Monica & David Toorawa INT  <b>3pm (JFK) 1<sup>st</sup> Communion Mass</b>
Mon 13 <sup>th</sup>	10am (OLQ) Deceased Members of the Norris Family RIP
Tues 14 <sup>th</sup>	10am (OLQ) MacPherson Family INT
Wed 15 <sup>th</sup>	10am (BM) Patricia Mansfield RIP 7.45pm (SM/Ordinariate)
Thur 16 <sup>th</sup>	10am (GH) Noel T James RIP
Fri 17 <sup>th</sup>	10am (BM) Rita Tuner & Deceased Members of the Crowley Family 11.30am (OLQ) <b>Funeral for Christopher Rensch RIP</b> 6.30pm (OLQ) Price Family INT
Sat 18 <sup>th</sup>	10am (OLQ) Mass of Thanksgiving 5pm (OLQ) Paul Phan RIP ANNIV 6pm (BM) Aurelio Sattolo RIP
Sun 19 <sup>th</sup>	8.45am (SM/Ordinariate) 8.45am (BM) Paul Waweru RIP 9am (GH) Manuel D’Costa RIP 10.15am (SM) Michael Kelleher RIP 10.30am (OLQ) Ray Nullmeyers RIP 11.45 (BM) Monica Watkins RIP 12 Noon (OLQ) Sheela Anthony RIP