

Neighbourhood Watch Alert: Two thefts in supermarket car parks were reported yesterday. This is part of an ongoing trend of thefts of handbags and wallets taking place in local supermarket car parks throughout the county. Circumstances vary, but always involve a customer being approached in the car park by a stranger, who distracts them by asking a question or asking them to look at something. Although residents of different age groups have been targeted, we have received most reports where the victims have been senior residents.

A typical scenario is where a customer is putting their shopping into their vehicle. A stranger approaches and distracts them by pointing out a concern in relation to their car. While they are distracted by looking at a potential car problem, an accomplice grabs their unattended handbag.

A similar scenario is where a stranger approaches the customer and asks for directions. Again, while the customer is focusing on giving directions, their property is stolen.

Please be alert to this crime type and share this alert with neighbours and relatives. When loading shopping into your vehicle, be conscious about where your handbag or other valuables are. Place them out of reach of passers-by and don't leave them unattended, even for a moment.

Last week's collection was £537.20; many thanks for your generosity.

AFTER MASS COFFEE

in the Church Hall
after 10am Mass.

Come and meet
your fellow parishioners



Church cleaning rota wk 04.03.19: Jude Arinze and Chavassea Okeke

Text giving through your mobile phone: type the word "Parish", leave a space, then KNEBW and send that text to 70800. £5 will be added to your mobile phone bill, as a donation, which will come directly to our parish. Thank you!



More Snippets

3rd March 2019

8th Sunday of the Year
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SERVICES

Sat	2nd	6.00pm	Special Intention
Sun	3rd	8.00am	Evert Fernandez RIP
Sun		10.00am	For the Welfare of Parishioners
Mon	4th	7.15pm	Special Intention
Tues	5th	9.30am	Frances' Intentions

Ash Wednesday

Wed	6th	9.30am	For the Intentions of Pope Francis
Wed		8.00pm	Special Intention
Thurs	7th	9.30am	Celebration of the Word and Holy Communion
Fri	8th	10:00 -11:00am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Fri		8.00pm	Stations of the Cross
Sat	9th	10.00am	Special Intention
Sat		6.00pm	In Thanksgiving
Sun	10th	8.00am	For the Sick of the Parish
Sun		10.00am	For the Welfare of Parishioners

Canon Daniel Cronin Tel: 01438 813303
e-mail: knebworth@rcdow.org.uk

Sacrament of reconciliation Sat 5.15-5.45 pm
Holy Rosary and Mothers Prayer After Mon 7.15 pm Mass
Church of St. Thomas More, 72 London Road, Knebworth, SG3 6HB
Snippets e-mail: knebworth.church@gmail.com
Parish Office e-mail: knebworth@rcdow.org.uk
Parish Website: www.knebworthcatholicchurch.org
Facebook: <https://en-gb.facebook.com/knebworthcatholicchurch/>
Prayers for the Faithful, please contact Canon Cronin.

LISTER HOSPITAL CHAPLAIN:

Direct line:- 01438 285138 Via Text Message:- 0788 418 7463
(24/7) Urgent need: 01438 314 333

If you are new to the parish, please take a "Welcome Pack" from the Church Porch

Prayer: In your kindness would you please pray for all our sick, lonely and housebound including Mariah Egan, Michael Egan, Agnes Odiachi, Robert Salazar, Tess and Cerafino Maniaol and Marion Prior. Please, pray for those who have died recently: Evert Fernandez and for all whose anniversaries occur about now: Elizabeth Corathiel, Marie O'Neill, Agnes Lane and Paddy Cawley.

Visit of Mike Guthrie one of our Westminster seminarians. If ever there was a time for good news and hope it is now. That is why I am particularly pleased that Mike has accepted my invitation to make a presentation at all the Masses this weekend. He has been studying at Allen Hall in Chelsea but for this year has been seconded to the Stevenage team of parishes. He is going to speak about his vocation and a youth summit which young people are going to be invited to. A very warm welcome to Mike Guthrie.

Visit to Allen Hall Seminary Sunday 7th April: Fr Michael Doherty has invited us to share the Stevenage coach for this occasion. You are always generous at praying for our seminarians and financing their formation, so Canon Roger Taylor the Rector and his team would like to say thank you by hosting us. There will be talks from the Rector and seminarians, a tour of the seminary and grounds. The visit will finish with Solemn Evening Prayer. A coach will leave Stevenage at 12.15pm and return from London at 5.40pm. As we only have 40 places, if you would like to come, please just drop an email to stevenagebedwell@rcdow.org.uk or if you have no email, just call Sue or Lynne in any of the Stevenage parish offices. It will be a great day out and suitable for all ages.

ASH WEDNESDAY is celebrated this coming Wednesday March 6th when the season of Lent will begin. Ashes will be distributed at Mass both at 9.30am and 8.00pm.

Stations of the Cross: as is our usual custom during Lent we will have Stations of the Cross each Friday at 8.00pm. You are cordially encouraged to attend this traditional devotion.

May God Bless you all in every way
Fr. Danny



Household clearance sale: We will be holding a table top sale (including linen table cloths and other household items) to raise funds for our Society of St Vincent de Paul. This will be held after all three weekend Masses during the weekend of 16th/17th March. Please do try to support the wonderful work our local SVP does. Many thanks.

Do you know someone who is blind, visually impaired, physically handicapped, has limited mobility or generally finds reading a strain? Stevenage & North Herts Talking News offer a weekly **free service of local news** (from the Stevenage Comet and the Royston Crow) as well as a selection of popular magazines from the RNIB, which we record onto a USB memory stick. If you know of someone that would be interested, please contact Ian on 07981 442341 and he will arrange a suitable time when 2 of our volunteers could visit to deliver a free media player and talk the listener through the use of it.

Lent: Our KFC Lent Groups will begin in the week starting from 11th of March. If you are unable to join a group, but would like to follow the course, it is available to download at ctbi.org.uk. There is also some material for Ash Wednesday (6 March).

Walk With Me Lent Booklets: On Sale for £1.00 in the porch.

Cardinal Vincent launched **2019 Cardinal's Lenten Appeal** with a particular focus on the growing issue of Food Poverty and Resilience. More information, leaflets and posters will be available from next week.