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MASS TIMES

Marychurch/STM

Sunday Mass:

6pm (Sat.), 9.30am (STM),
& 11am

Weekday Masses:

Mon., Tue., Thur., Fri.:
9.30am; Wed.: 7.30pm

Holy Days of Obligation:

Mass: 9.30am & 7.30pm

Eucharistic Adoration

Fri.: 10am – 1030am

Divine Office:

20 minutes before Mass

St Peter's

Sunday Masses:

9.15am, 11am, & 6pm

Weekday Masses:

Mon - Wed, Fri: 9.30 am
Thur.: 7pm; Sat.: 10.30am

Holy Days of Obligation:

Mass: 9.30 am & 7pm

Eucharistic Adoration

Sat. 11.00 am – 12 noon

Morning Prayer:

Mon.-Wed., Fri.: 9.10am

**“My house shall be
called a house of prayer.”**

*Before Mass - Talk to God
During Mass - Listen to God
After Mass - Talk to each
other.*



+ 6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR C

“Blessed are you . . . for yours is the kingdom of God.”
(Luke 6.20)

Everybody by nature desires to be happy. Yet, happiness, even on the natural plane, is not something we can set out in pursuit of, in order to acquire and to possess, as we do other things. Happiness on this plane is the effect of a life that is lived consistently with truth and with virtue. Even at that, nothing of the created order can fully and permanently satisfy our desire for happiness; only God who is Blessedness itself, the undying light, and the unfading glory (CCC, 257), can. St Augustine says quite insightfully in Book 1 of his *Confessions*: ‘O God, Thou hast made us for Thyself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in Thee’. Given the very nature of our earthly life, that type of rest is not possible except in the Beatific Vision (1 Cor. 13.12). To that vision, both as the goal of our human existence, and as the ultimate end of all our human acts (CCC, 1719), God has called us, individually and as His family, the Church. To it also, He has destined us in love to be His children, and to be conformed to the image of His Son (Eph. 1.4-10). On the supernatural level, then, this happiness or beatitude which may be tasted in this life, but will reach its fullness only in the Beatific Vision, is a free gift of God that He gives as a just reward for a life lived in truth and in virtue. It is the fulfilment of the promises of old made by God, and is ordered towards His heavenly kingdom. It entails entering into the joy of the Lord (Mt 25.23; 5.8), into the glory of Christ (cf. Rom. 8.18), and into God’s rest (Heb. 4.7-11; CCC, 1720). By it, we will partake of the divine nature and of eternal life (2 Pt 1.4), we will see God as He really is (1 John 3.2), and, in seeing Him, possess Him who is the Supreme Good that alone can completely satisfy all desires. We attain this eternal blessedness firstly by knowing the one true God and Jesus Christ whom He has sent (John 17.3), by loving Him, and by serving Him with all our life.

READINGS AT SUNDAY MASS

1st Reading: Jer. 17.5-8; **2nd Reading:** 1 Cor. 15.12,16-20; **Gospel:** Luke 6.17,20-26

Psalms: Ps 1.1-4,6 **R/:** *Happy the man who has placed his trust in the Lord.*

Gospel Acclamation: *Alleluia, Alleluia! Blessed are You, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere children. Alleluia!*

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Sat., 16 th Feb.		6.00pm	Parishioners
Sun., 17 th Feb.	+ 6th SUNDAY <i>Office, Week 2</i>	9.30am	Mary Heylen, RIP
		(STM)	
		11.00am	Zebedee Clare, RIP
Mon., 18 th Feb.	Feria	9.30am	Special Intention
Tue., 19 th Feb.	Feria	9.30am	Fr Ronald Aylward, RIP
Wed., 20 th Feb.	Feria	7.30pm	Golden Wedding Celebration of Claire and Joe Burke
Thur., 21 st Feb.	Chair of St Peter	9.30am	Gordon and Ethel Richardson
Fri., 22 nd Feb.	Feria	9.30am	Special Intention
Sat., 23 rd Feb.		6.00pm	Parishioners
Sun., 24 th Feb.	+ 7th SUNDAY <i>Office, Week 3</i>	9.30am	Germaine Overton, RIP
		(STM)	
		11.00am	Maria and Felly Fernandes, RIP

ST PETER'S

Sun., 17 th Feb.	+ 6TH SUNDAY <i>Office, Week 1</i>	9.15am	Andrew Blackmore, RIP
		11.00am	Bernanrd Lannen, Anniversary
		6.00pm	Parishioners
Mon., 18 th Feb.	Feria	9.30am	Amy Schlessor, RIP
Tue., 19 th Feb.	Feria	9.30am	Private Intention
Wed., 20 th Feb.	Feria	9.30am	Private Intention
Thur., 21 st Feb.	St Peter Damian	7.00pm	Private Intention
Fri., 22 nd Feb..	Chair of St Peter	9.30am	Private Intention
Sat., 23 rd Feb.	St Polycarp	10.30am	Thomas Keohane, RIP
Sun., 24 th Feb.	+ 7TH SUNDAY <i>Office, Week 3</i>	9.15am	Private Intention
		11.00am	Parishioners
		6.00pm	Private Intention

Sick and Housebound: Please pray for Noreen Withall, Willy and Leish Prendergast, Joyce Davies, Mairead Waugh, Josie and Maurice Ashwell, Maudy Tapfumaneyi, Hans Henn, Alice Beckett, Chris Harrison, Katie Shannon, Alice O'Dwyer, Frank Cafferty, Patricia Dee, Louise Duncan, Linda Pullen, Anne Owens, Cath. O'Brien, Beverley Atkins and Larry Carolan.

The national Novena to St Joseph will take place from 11 to 18 March 2019. Please see the notice board for details on how to receive a Novena booklet, or alternatively, you may email to novenamhm@gmail.com.

On the Feast of the Annunciation 25 March 2019 there will be a Pilgrimage to Walsingham with coach from St Albans, to pray for the Sanctity of Life. Holy Mass in Walsingham at 12noon. The cost is £20 with special price for families. Coach will pick up from Galleria, Hatfield. To book or for further info please contact Rosemary Roscoe: 07723 546642 rosemary.roscoe@gmail.com.

World Day of Prayer. This year the service to be held together with other Hatfield Churches is Prepared by Women of Slovenia. You are all invited to join them on Friday March the 1st at 10.30am at Gracemead House opposite Asda. Please see posters in porches for further details. "Come Everything is Ready".

Cardinal's Mass of Thanksgiving for the Sacrament of Matrimony Westminster Cathedral, Saturday the 8th of June 2019 at 3pm. The Cardinal will be inviting to this Mass all couples in the diocese who are celebrating their 5th, 10th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th, or 60th (and every year over 60) wedding anniversary of Catholic marriage in 2019. If you are celebrating an anniversary, please add your details to the sign up sheet at the back of Church. Thank you.

The Cotter School of Irish Dancing lessons are being held in Marychurch Hall on Tuesday's during term time at 5.15pm for one hour. All children are welcome from the age of 3 upwards. The first session is free and then it is £5 per session payable weekly. If you would like to attend then please email Laura at thecotterschoolofid@gmail.com.

St Philip Howard Catholic Primary School are recruiting 2 teachers for April and September 2019. If you would like to join our friendly, supportive team, please find more details on www.teachinherts.com or contact Mairead Waugh, Headteacher on 01707 263969.

Thank you for returning the hymn books/Mass cards to the shelves at the end of Mass.

Baptism: See Parish Priest.
Preparation obligatory

Confessions:

MC/STM: Sat., 5-5.45pm; or on request;
SP: Sat., 11 am – 12 noon;
5-5.30 pm; or on request

Marriage: See Parish Priest;
6 months' notice required;
Preparation is obligatory

Sacred Heart Novena:

MC: Thur. after Mass;
SP: Fri. after Mass;

Rosary: MC: Mon. after Mass;
STM: Mon., 9.00am
SP: Wed. after Mass;

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour:

Tuesday after Mass in both parishes

Christian Meditation:

MC: Wed. 8pm in term time

Hatfield SVP:

07960 785673

St Pio Prayer Group:

SP: 1st Thur. monthly, 6pm

Proclaim Our Lady of

Fatima Family Rosary:

Contact: Lucia Federici:
07933 436387; Email:
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kindergarten.co.uk.

St Philip Howard:

Primary: 01707 263969

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01727 856206

Catholic Chaplaincy Lister

Hospital: John O'Neil,
01438 285518

Parish Office:

MC/STM: Wed - Fri.:
8.30am - 1.30pm;

SP: Tue., Wed., Fri.: 8.30am-
1.30pm

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01707 265530

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Suggestion/Comment Box:

Please use the box on the table at the back of Church, if you wish to express a suggestion or comment on any parish matter.

Last Week's Collection

Thank you.

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