

Volume 2, No. 16
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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

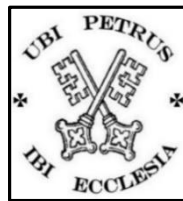
Sat. 11.00 am – 12 noon

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.*



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"This is My Son, My Chosen; listen to Him!" (Lk 9.35)

God the Father audibly and openly bore witness to Our Lord on three pivotal occasions. The first was Our Lord's baptism when God spoke these words from heaven to the hearing of all those present: **"This is My beloved Son, with Whom I Am well-pleased!"** (Mt 3.17; Mk 1.11). The second was the Transfiguration of Our Lord when the Father's voice was again heard, this time by the three apostles, Peter, James, and John, who were privileged to be with Our Lord on the holy mountain. Again, God used similar words to speak of Our Lord but, in addition, commanded that we **"listen to Him"** (Mt 17.1-7; Mk 9.2-8). St Peter later recalled this life-changing incident he himself witnessed first-hand (2 Pt 1.17-18). The third time the Father bore open witness to Him was before His passion when Our Lord was speaking to the crowd about His impending death. In response to His filial call to the Father to glory His name in Our Lord's death, the Father said, **"I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again."** The crowd heard this voice and wondered what it was all about. In response, Our Lord said to them, **"This voice has come for your sake, not for mine."** (Jn 12.27-30) It was also for our sake that Our Lord gave us through the three apostles a glimpse into His divine glory, to make it utterly clear to us that the Son of Man who came in weakness, pain, and suffering (Mt 16.21; Lk 9.22; 24.25-26, 46; Acts 3.18; 17.2-3; Is 53.3-12), sharing our human condition, and dying in weakness, was also the Son of God the Most High (Lk 1.32) who shares eternal glory equally with the Father, so that those who might be scandalised by His passion and death, should also be fortified by a glimpse into His glory. He is the word of the Father, spoken in eternity (Jn 1.1-13; Is 40.8), and also God's final word, spoken in time (Heb. 1.1-3). He is equally the blessed hope of all who hear His voice (Jn 10.1-6,16) and live by His word (Mt 4.4; 7.24; Lk 11.28; Jn 8.31-32; Jam. 1.21; Deut. 8.3; Ps 119.105,130).

READINGS AT SUNDAY MASS

1st Reading: Gen. 15.5-12,17-18; **2nd Reading:** Phil. 3.17–4.1; **Gospel:** Luke 9.28-36

Psalm: Ps 26(27).1,7-9,13-14; **R/:** *The Lord is my light and my help.*

Gospel Acclamation: *From the bright cloud the Father's voice was heard:
'This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to Him.*

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Sat., 16 th Mar.		6.00pm	Roland and Irene Costa, RIP
Sun., 17 th Mar.	+ 2 nd SUNDAY OF LENT <i>Office, Week 2</i>	9.30am (STM)	Thanksgiving for Josie Ashwell's 90 th Birthday
		11.00am	Parishioners
Mon., 18 th Mar.	Feria of Lent	9.30am	Mrs May Kelly
Tue., 19 th Mar.	ST JOSEPH	9.30am	Private Intention
Wed., 20 th Mar.	Feria of Lent	7.30pm	Thomas Keohane, RIP
Thur., 21 st Mar.	Feria of Lent	9.30am	Special Intention
Fri., 22 nd Mar.	Feria of Lent	9.30am	Gordon and Ethel Richardson
Sat., 23 rd Mar.		6.00pm	Brisie and John Slean, RIP
Sun., 24 th Mar.	+ 3 rd SUNDAY OF LENT <i>Office, Week 3</i>	9.30am (STM)	Winifred Hannon, RIP
		11.00am	Sr Michael, RIP

ST PETER'S

Sun., 17 th Mar.	+ 2 ND SUNDAY OF LENT <i>Office, Week 2</i>	9.15am	Martin O'Brien, RIP
		11.00am	Bernard Lannon, RIP
		6.00pm	Parishioners
Mon., 18 th Mar.	Feria of Lent	9.30am	Private Intention
Tue., 19 th Mar.	ST JOSEPH	9.30am	Joseph Fernandez, Thanksgiving
Wed., 20 th Mar.	Feria of Lent	9.30am	Private Intention
Thur., 21 ST Mar.	Feria of Lent	7.00pm	Private Intention
Fri., 22 nd Mar.	Feria of Lent	9.30am	Terry Mahabir, Anniversary
Sat., 23 rd Mar.	Feria of Lent	10.30am	Anthony Wainwright, Anniv.
Sun., 24 th Mar.	+ 3 RD SUNDAY OF LENT <i>Office, Week 3</i>	9.15am	Private Intention
		11.00am	Parishioners
		6.00pm	Private Intention

Sick and Housebound: Please pray for Dick Ciezak, 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.

LECTORS AND EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION will have their yearly **Day of Recollection** on **Saturday the 30th of March, from 10am to 12pm, at St Peter's**. By the archdiocesan guidelines, all readers and the extraordinary ministers are expected to attend the recollection.

The Parish would still appreciate any volunteer help with the cleaning of Marychurch or St Thomas More. Please contact Yvette on 01707 262439. Thank you.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS every Friday at 7.30pm. Please, join us.

We are approaching the end of the Tax year 2018/2019. If you no longer pay income tax, please let us now. If we could claim the tax you paid whilst earning the offertory you have given to the church, please ask for a Gift Aid Declaration form to be sent to you.

CAFOD second collection this Sunday. Your generous support will be greatly appreciated. Please use the Fast Day envelopes provided.

We are still collecting any old and used glasses for World Vision, ink cartridges for CAFOD, and used stamps for Hearing Dogs for Deaf People. If you have any, please put them in the containers that are in the white cabinet at the back of Marychurch. When sending in stamps can you please leave at least 1cm of envelope around the edge of the stamps if possible. Thank you.

DVD series on life of Mary being shown after 11am Mass at St Peter's each Sunday of Lent: 5 engaging DVD sessions of 25 minutes each exploring the life of Mary are being shown in St Peter's church hall. Each Session has a different theme: **Session 1** – Mary, Chosen by God; **Session 2** – Mary, The First Disciple; **Session 3** – Mary, Mother of All; **Session 4** – Mary, Queen of Heaven; **Session 5** – Mary, Help of Christians. The first session went really well, but do not worry if you missed it as there are still 4 sessions to go. Please do make time to come if you are able to and bring some snacks to share. Everyone is welcome, including children as there will be activities for them too.

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.

Please pray for the peaceful repose of **Patricia Darling** who passed away on the 14th.

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., 11am – 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:
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Parish Office:

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8.30am - 1.30pm;

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

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01707 265530

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Hall Booking: Enquiries to:

MC/STM: Parish Secretary

SP: Parish Secretary

Tea & Coffee: After 11am
Mass in both parishes. Please,
join us.

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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