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**OUR MISSION
STATEMENT**



We, the parishioners of Marychurch (Mary Mother of the Church) with St Thomas More, are a people united in one heart and mind with Jesus Christ. Inspired by our patrons, Our Lady and St Thomas More, we proclaim our Roman Catholic Faith through our commitment to share that faith within our parish and beyond through worship, living by example, and service to others.

MASS TIMES

+ 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

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:

9am, 11am, 2PM, & 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

“Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into His glory?” (Luke 24.26)

Our Lord's saving passion started in the evening of Holy Thursday, ending in His death on a cross on Good Friday. During that time, and throughout the following day, when Life was killed and remained in death, it was all doom and gloom, the kind the world has never seen, and the darkness that reigned over all was so great. Then the Easter Sunday morning dawned, and, with it, everything radically changed. In an instant, death was swallowed up in life, and night by day; light displaced darkness; gloom turned to hope; doom gave way to joy unparalleled, captivity to freedom, enmity to peace, failure to victory, and death to life; conquering, love arose triumphant. At the time of the passion, people witnessed to only the pain and the suffering; not even the apostles, the closest friends of the innocent Victim, could see through the pain, the shame, and the disaster of the passion. By hindsight, we are now able to see the necessity of the passion, that salvation and glory were designed to flow from it. And, so, the jubilant Church, exceedingly joyful in its experience of that outcome, proudly sings at Easter Vigil of the “truly necessary sin of Adam”, and of a “happy fault that earned so great, so glorious a Redeemer.” At the moment, we see mostly the pain and misery of the coronavirus pandemic. We are not sure what will come out of it. But we do recognise with other people that, after the pandemic, the world will not be the same again. What the final outcome will be, we do not know; but we hope it will be positive, and that each one of us can learn from the pandemic and be able to shape the future of the world with an experience of love, solidarity, and faith in God.

READINGS AT SUNDAY MASS

1st Reading: Acts 2.14,22-33; 2nd Reading: 1 Peter 1.17-21; Gospel: Luke 24.13-35.

Psalm: Ps 15(16).1-2,5,7-11: *Show us, Lord, the path of life.*

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Lord Jesus, explain the Scriptures to us. Make our hearts burn within us as You talk to us. Alleluia!

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Sun., 26th Apr.	+ 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER <i>Office: Easter Week 3</i>	10.00am	Alphonsa George, RIP
Mon., 27 th Apr.	Easter Feria	10.00am	John Kelly, RIP
Tue., 28 th Apr.	Easter Feria	9.30am	Private Intention
Wed., 29 th Apr.	St Catherine of Siena	9.30am	Private Intention
Thur., 30 th Apr.	Easter Feria	9.30am	NHS/Care Home Frontline Workers, the Sick and their Families
Fri., 1 st May	Easter Feria	9.30pm	Private Intention
Sat. 2 nd May	St Athanasius	9.30am	Parishioners
Sun., 3rd May	+ 4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER <i>Office: Easter Week 4</i>	10.00am	Bill & Raynah Watson, RIP

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N.B.: *These Masses are celebrated by the priest alone, without the congregation, in line with the guidelines from our archbishop.*

SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: Please pray for Adele Pym, Chido Chandisarewa. Sylvia Smith, Kathleen Rhine, Anne Owens, Alan Smith, Rob Catlings, Joyce Davies, Josie and Maurice Ashwell, Maudy Tapfumaneyi, Hans Henn, Alice Beckett, Chris Harrison, Katie Shannon, Alice O'Dwyer, Patricia Dee, Larry Carolan.

NOTICES

Mass for NHS & Care Home Frontline Workers, the Sick and their Families:

Every Thursday evening, at 7pm, a bishop, in turn, will celebrate Mass in his cathedral, live streamed, for all those frontline workers in the NHS and care homes, for the sick and their families. The first one was celebrated by the Cardinal in the evening of April the 23rd in Westminster Cathedral. The dates, locations, and live-streaming information (link in the name of the cathedral) for the next five are as follows:**30 April:** Bishop Richard Moth, Arundel Cathedral; **7 May:** Bishop Marcus Stock, Leeds Cathedral; **14 May:** Bishop Robert Byrne CO, Newcastle Cathedral; **21 May:** Bishop Mark Davies, Shrewsbury Cathedral; **28 May:** Bishop Terence Drainey, Middlesbrough Cathedral.

Cardinal's Lenten Appeal 2020: This will be arranged after the current restrictions are lifted. The Appeal contributes to three mission areas of the Church: Marriage and Family Life, Youth and Evangelisation, and Service in Society. With your support, the Cardinal has launched a new programme to alleviate food poverty, which affects people in every part of the Diocese. Your gift could help open up schools during the holidays – a time of hunger for many children who depend on the free meals they get at school. At the new school holiday activity clubs, children can have fun, help make a healthy meal to share, and families take home food to help them through this difficult time. You can support the Cardinal's Lenten Appeal 2020 by donating, volunteering and remembering the work in your prayers. Please

visit

CardinalsLentenAppeal.org.uk for more information. Thank you for your generosity.

International Eucharistic Congress,

2020: The plan for the archdiocese to travel to Budapest as a group to participate at the Congress in September has now been cancelled. Should the congress still go ahead, the individuals who wish to attend are still encouraged to do so.

Coronavirus: let's not forget the vulnerable:

In light of the uncertainty over the Coronavirus, it is understandable that we want to ensure our kitchen cupboards are well stocked. However, we must not forget that this can leave foodbanks struggling. Hundreds of people rely on generous donations from our parishioners. This includes the need for hygiene items, toilet paper, sanitary products etc, as well as sealed packages of dry food, tins, and long-life milk etc. Foodbanks also welcome donations of money - please give what you can. Please also consider if you could spare some time to volunteer – perhaps by driving to collect food for a foodbank – or simply by looking out for your neighbours. Contact: cfc@rcdow.org.uk, or call 020 7931 6077 to add your name to a list of people who would be willing to help respond. Thanks for your support,

Please pray for the peaceful repose of **Elifigius Tapfumanei**, the father our sister, Grace, for **Anastasius Karatai Kabute**, the father of our sister, Jane, for **Gabriel Alexis McDonald**, and for **Fr Anthony Francis Maxilliam Conlon** (71 years), a priest of the archdiocese. Both of them passed on within the past 10 days.

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

Parish Office:

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

SP: Tue., Thur., Fri.: 9.30am-
2.30pm

Safeguarding Officers:

MC/STM: Angela Madden,
01707 262439; Email:
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SP: Roshan Senanayake,
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Planned Giving:

MC/STM: Gillian Sutton:
gilliansutton@rcdow.org.uk

SP: Pat Malsher:
01707 265530

Hall Booking: Enquiries to:
MC/STM: Parish Secretary

SP: Parish Secretary

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

Sacred Heart Novena:

MC: Friday after Mass;
SP: Friday 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
Mon, 1.30pm, Parish Room

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:
luciafederici@mountcarmel
kindergarten.co.uk.

“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.*

Catholic Chaplaincy Lister

Hospital: John O’Neil,
01438 285518

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.

January Offertory Collection

Thank you.
Text: Parish HATFD to
70800 to donate £5 through
your mobile phone.

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