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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

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

+ PENTECOST SUNDAY - YEAR A

"He breathed on them, and said to them: 'Receive the Holy Spirit.' (John 21.22)

The feast of Pentecost marks the fulfilment of the Lord's and His Father's promise (Lk 24.49) by the descent of the Holy Spirit on the disciples (Acts 2.1-4), to be with us for ever (Jn 14.16), to dwell in us and be in us (Jn 14.17), as a Spring of water welling up to eternal life (Jn 4.14), to teach us all things (Jn 14.26), and to guide us into all the truth (Jn 16.13). The Holy Spirit is the third Person of the Most Holy Trinity. He is the Spirit of God and of Our Lord (Rom. 8.9; Gal. 4.6) with Whom He is equal in glory and majesty, and with Whom He is the one true God. Of the three Persons of the Blessed Trinity, however, He is the least known and celebrated. We know much about the Father Who created us in the Lord (Eph. 2.10), and through the Lord made all things and sustains them in existence (Jn 1.3; Col. 1.16-17). We also know a lot about Our Lord Who came in His incarnation and lived among us (Jn 1.14), and redeemed us by His precious blood (Eph. 1.7). Yet, the Holy Spirit is the most immediately present to us. Being in our hearts (2 Cor. 1.22; 2 Tim. 1.14), He is very active in our lives. It is through Him that the Father and the Son are present to us. As the Paraclete, the Advocate, the Consoler, He stands by us in all our trials, to defend, encourage, and console us, and, then, to renew us (Ps 104.30). At a time like the one we are experiencing, He is the One to keep us strong, protected, and defended against the present ills, to console us, and to renew our lives. "Come O Holy Spirit, and fill the hearts of the faithful, and kindle in them the fire of Your love. Send forth Your Spirit and they shall be created; and You shall renew he face of the earth."

READINGS AT SUNDAY MASS

1st Reading: Acts 2.1-11; 2nd Reading: 1 Cor. 12.3-7,12-13; Gospel: John 20.19-23.

Psalm: Ps 103(104).1,24,29-31,34: Send forth Your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Your faithful, and kindle in them the fire of Your love. Alleluia!

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

	+ PENTECOST	10.00am	Parishioners
Sun., 31st May	SUNDAY		
Mon 1st Iun	Mother of the Church	9.30am	Parishioners
Mon., 1 st Jun.	Mother of the Church	9.50am	Parismoners
Tue., 2 nd Jun.	Feria – 9 th Week	9.30am	William Prendergast, RIP
Wed., 3rd Jun.	St Charles Lwanga & Co.	9.30am	Bill and Raynah Watson, RIP
Thur., 4th Jun	Eternal High Priest	9.30am	Private Intention
Fri., 5th Jun.	St Boiniface	9.30am	Private Intention
Sat. 6 th Jun.	Feria	9.30am	Private Intention
	+ MOST HOLY	10.00am	Parishioners
Sun., 7 th Jun.	TRINITY SUNDAY		

ST PETER'S

Sun., 31st May	+ PENTECOST SUNDAY	10.00am	Parishioners
Mon., 1st Jun.	Mother of the Church	8.00am	Private Intention
Tue., 2 nd Jun.	Feria – 9 th Week	8.00am	Private Intention
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Sat. 6 th Jun.	Feria	8.00am	Private Intention
Sun., 7 th Jun.	+ MOST HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY	10.00am	Parishioners

<u>SICK AND HOUSEBOUND</u>: 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

The Cardinal's video message for Pentecost is available on the diocesan website. You can access it through this link: https://vimeo.com/421046273

FEAST OF MARY MOTHER OF THE **CHURCH:** Monday the 1st of June is the Feast of Mary Mother of the Church. The feast was instituted by Pope Francis in 2018 and is celebrated on Monday after Pentecost. It is the official and a very special Solemnity of our parish which is dedicated to the Mother of God. But for the lockdown, the feast will be celebrated in the parish in a big way. For those who do not know, the formal name of our parish is Parish of Mary Mother of the Church, shortened to Marychurch. The readings for the day are: 1st Reading - Genesis 3:9-15.20 (or Acts 1:12–14); Psalm – Psalm 86 (87): 1-2. 3, 5. 6-7; R/. 3; Gospel -John 19:25-34. HAPPY FEAST DAY to all our parishioners.

Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, the Eternal High Priest: Thursday June the 4th is the feast of Our Lord the Eternal High Priest. The feast was instituted in 2018 by Pope Francis, to be celebrated on Thursday after Pentecost. The readings for the day are: 1st Reading – Genesis 22:9–18 (or Hebrews 10:4–10); Psalm – Ps 39(40): 7–8a. 10–11ab. 17; R/. 8a, 9a.; Gospel Acclamation – Phil 2:8–9; Gospel – Matthew 26: 36–42.

REOPENING OF OUR CHURCHES:

Church leaders in Enaglans and Wales

have been talking with the government over the reopening of our churches. There are indications that this will happen in phases and will start not too long from now. The first phase will be to open our churches for individual prayers; public Mass will come at a later stage. The government will be issuing guidelines for this phased reopening. We will be informed by email of any developments in this regard.

Matrimonial Thanksgiving Mass scheduled for Saturday the 30th of this month has been cancelled.

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.

<u>Baptism</u>: 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

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: hatfieldsg@safeguardrcdow.org .uk

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Planned Giving:

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

SP: Pat Malsher: 01707 265530

<u>Hall Booking</u>: Enquiries to: MC/STM: Parish Secretary

SP: Parish Secretary

<u>Tea & Coffee</u>: 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

<u>Proclaim Our Lady of</u> 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

<u>Hospital</u>: 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
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your mobile phone.

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