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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

## $+ 19^{TH} SUNDAY - YEAR A$

"O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" (Mt 14.31)

The Scripture defines Faith as "the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen" (Heb. 11.1). By faith, we rationally accept "with no doubting" (Jam. 1.6) that certain propositions are absolutely true. Our certainty comes, not from us or from anything that is within the reach of our natural vision, but from the truthfulness of God Who can neither deceive nor be deceived. Faith is, thus, the fruit of grace given to us, not by "flesh and blood", but by the Father Who is in heaven' (Mt 16.17; cf. Mt 11.25). In this sense, faith enables us to accept with total conviction everything that God has revealed. The same faith enables us to commit ourselves wholly to God, to trust Him with all our heart, and to resign ourselves completely to Him, that He may work in us, and through us, in order to accomplish His kind purposes for us. The grace of this faith transcends our nature and enables us to do extraordinary things that are totally above that nature. With it, we can walk on water, as St Peter in today's gospel did (cf. Mt 14.29); we can heal the sick only by laying our hands on them (Mk 16.18); we can move mountains (Mt 17,20-21), and command the sycamine tree to be uprooted and planted in the sea, and it would obey us (Lk 17.6); we can raise the dead to life, as did St Peter (cf. Acts 3.36-42); we can even stop the sun from setting, as did Joshua (Jos. 10.10-15), or the rain from falling for years (cf. 1 Kg 17.1). Indeed, with faith, 'we can do all things in Him who strengthens us' (Phil. 4.13). On the other hand, in the absence of this faith and the help from above that goes with it, we are confined to the limits that our nature imposes, and even for us to do the ordinary things of life will be with considerable difficulties.

#### **READINGS AT SUNDAY MASS**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading 1 Kg 19.9,11-13; 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Rom. 9.1-5; Gospel: Mt 14.22-33.

Psalm: Ps 85(84).9-14: Let us see, O Lord, Your mercy, and give us Your saving help. Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Blessings on the King Who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, ad glory in the highest heavens! Alleluia!

### MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Sat., 8th Aug.	+ 19 <sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY	6.00pm	Bridie & John Slean, RIP; Kay
G Oth A	Office, Week 3	0.20	O'Brien
Sun., 9th Aug.	33 /	9.30am	Parishioners
		11.00am	Keith Thomas
Mon., 10 <sup>th</sup> Aug.	St Lawrence	9.30am	
Tue., 11th Aug.	St Clare	9.30am	Jim Chattfield, RIP
Wed., 12th Aug.	Feria	7.30pm	
Thur., 13th Aug.	Feria	9.30am	Ruth & Kevin Herbkersman
Fri., 14th Aug.	St Maximilian Kolbe	9.30am	
Sat., 15 <sup>th</sup> Aug.	+ ASSUMPTION	6.00pm	The Watson Family
Sun., 16 <sup>th</sup> Aug.	OF VIRGIN MARY	9.30am	Lucia Mario, 90 <sup>th</sup> Birthday
	Office, Week 4	11.00am	Parishioners

#### ST PETER'S

		9.00am	Kelechi and Family
Sun., 9th Aug.	+ 19 <sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY	11.00am	Joshua Ndi, Birthday
	Office, Week 3	2.00pm	Travellers
		6.00pm	Parishioners
Mon., 10 <sup>th</sup> Aug.	St Lawrence	9.30am	
Tue., 11th Aug.	St Clare	9.30am	
Wed., 12th Aug.	Feria	9.30am	
Thur., 13 <sup>th</sup> Aug.	Feria	7.00pm	
Fri., 14th Aug.	St Maximilian Kolbe	12.30am	Funeral Mass of James Chattfield
Sat., 15th Aug.	Feria	10.30am	Mary Davin, RIP
Sun., 16 <sup>th</sup> Aug.	+ ASSUMPTION OF VIRGIN MARY Office, Week 4	9.00am	Mary Davin, RIP
		11.00am	Parishioners
		2.00pm	Travellers
		6.00pm	

<u>SICK AND HOUSEBOUND</u>: Please pray for Adele Pym, Chido Chandisarewa.Kathleen Rhine, Anne Owens, Alan Smith, Rob Catlings, Joyce Davies, Josie and Maurice Ashwell, Maudy Tapfumaneyi, Hans Henn, Chris Harrison, Katie Shannon, Patricia Dee, Larry Carolan.

#### NOTICS

Saturday is the Solemnity of Our Lady's Assumption. The feast has been moved to next Sunday, the 16<sup>th</sup>.

**<u>First Holy Communion</u>** can now take place. The parents of our candidates this year are requested to contact the catechists.

<u>Public Health</u>: Our church is now open for public Mass. In that regard, please note the following:

- The wearing of face mask in the church is now obligatory; please ensure you come to Mass in one. Readers may remove theirs while at the lectern reading, but should put them back the moment they finish;
- Each time you attend Mass, please complete the attendance card on a table in the porch as you enter the church, in keeping with the government's Test and Trace guieline;
- Please observe the rule on Social Distancing and limit your interaction with non-members of your family;

- Please observe all the hygiene protocols, and follow the one-way direction;
- Please put your Offering in the basket at the exit point as you leave the church at the end of Mass;
- Volunteers will continue to be needed to clean the church after each Mass.
   Many thanks to all who have helped;
- The church is open for private prayer 30 minutes before Mass each day and will be closed immediately after Mass.

**Baptisms, Weddings, and Funerals** can now take place in the church. Please contact the Parish Clergy if you wish to arrange any.

**2020 Chrism Mass:** The Cardinal will celebrate this year's postponed Chrism Mass in the cathedral on September the 14 with only the deans present. The Mass will be streamed live online. The time is yet to be announced.

Please pray for the peaceful repose of **Jim Chatfield** who died on Saturday the 1<sup>st</sup>. His funeral Mass will be on **Friday the** 14<sup>th</sup> at 12.30pm.

<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

**SP:** Roshan Senanayake, Email: hatfieldsouthsg@safeguardrcd ow.org.uk

#### **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: 1<sup>st</sup> 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
70800 to donate £5 through
your mobile phone.

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