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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

+ ASSUMPTION OF BVM – YEAR A

“Blessed is she who believed that what was spoken to her from the Lord would be fulfilled.” (Lk 1.45)

The Assumption of Virgin Mary was dogmatically defined and promulgated by Pope Pius XII on 1 November 1950. The definition followed that of her Immaculate Conception in 1854 by Pius IX. Long before then, the Council of Ephesus had in AD 325 defined her as *Theotokos* – the Mother of God. From that motherhood came her identity as the Mother also of the Church. All these dogmas about her flow into each other and form a single statement about her. She had the singular privilege of being chosen from all eternity by God to be the mother of God-made-flesh (Jn 1.14). That she might be the worthy mother of “the Son of the Most High” (Lk 1.32) Who was called “holy, the Son of God” (Lk 1.35), Mary was preserved from every stain of sin, from the first, till the last moment of her earthly life. For that purpose, she was the only person in all of humanity to be “full of grace” (Lk 1.28). The eternal Word of God suffered death in His flesh, but the flesh which He took from that of Virgin Mary did not experience corruption after His death (Acts 2.31); instead, it was raised in power, imperishable, immortal, spiritual (1 Cor. 15.42-56), and glorious (Phil. 3.21). Since it was impossible for Him to know corruption in His body, it was equally impossible that His mother from whom He took His body would experience the corruption of her body. Thus, at the end of her earthly life, she definitively overcame the grave by the grace of her Son’s resurrection, and was assumed body and soul into the glory of heaven. In her own case, and as an example of the hope to which we are called, death and the corruption of the grave were in victory completely swallowed up (1 Cor. 15.55).

READINGS AT SUNDAY MASS

1st Reading **Apoc.11.19; 12.1-6,10**; 2nd Reading: **1 Cor. 15.20-26**; Gospel: **Lk 1.39-56**.
 Psalm: **Ps 45(44).10-12,16**: *On Your right stands the queen in garments of gold.*
Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Mary has been taken up to heaven; all the choirs of angels are rejoicing. Alleluia!

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Sat., 15th Aug.	+ ASSUMPTION	6.00pm	The Watson Family
Sun., 16th Aug.	OF VIRGIN MARY <i>Office, Week 4</i>	9.30am	Lucia Mario, 90 th Birthday
		11.00am	Parishioners
Mon., 17 th Aug.	Feria	9.30am	
Tue., 18 th Aug.	Feria	9.30am	
Wed., 19 th Aug.	Feria	7.30pm	Sr Jo Chambers
Thur., 20 th Aug.	St Bernard	9.30am	
Fri., 21 st Aug.	St Pius X	9.30am	
Sat., 22 nd Aug.	+ 21ST SUNDAY <i>Office, Week 1</i>	6.00pm	Parishioners
Sun., 23rd Aug.		9.30am	Elias & Noemi Gonsalves, RIP
		11.00am	William Prendergast, RIP

ST PETER'S

Sun., 16th Aug.	+ ASSUMPTION OF VIRGIN MARY <i>Office, Week 4</i>	9.00am	Mary Davin, RIP
		11.00am	Parishioners
		2.00pm	Travellers
		6.00pm	Stefano Federici and Family
Mon., 17 th Aug.	Feria	9.30am	
Tue., 18 th Aug.	Feria	9.30am	Mary Davin, RIP
Wed., 19 th Aug.	Feria	9.30am	
Thur., 20 th Aug.	St Bernard	7.00pm	
Fri., 21 st Aug.	St Pius X	9.30am	
Sat., 22 nd Aug.	Queenship of BVM	10.30am	
Sun., 23rd Aug.	+ 21ST SUNDAY <i>Office, Week 1</i>	9.00am	Jim Chatfield, RIP
		11.00am	Parishioners
		2.00pm	Travellers
		6.00pm	

SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: Please pray for Sr Jo Chambers, 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, and Charles Andi.

NOTICES

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

Public Health: 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 guideline;
- 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 **Lawrence Chitemerere** who died this Wednesday. He was a cousin of our sister Maria Chikozi. Also pray for Maria and for his loved ones he left behind.

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,
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Planned Giving:

MC/STM: Gillian Sutton:
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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

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