



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

+ 28TH SUNDAY – YEAR A

“I have made ready My dinner . . . come to the marriage feast.” (Matthew 22.4)

The Eucharist is known by various names. It is called ‘The Lord’s Supper’, ‘The Last Supper’, ‘The Supper of the Lamb’, ‘The Table of the Lord’, the ‘Bread of Life’ (Jn. 6.35, 48), the ‘Feast of the Lamb’, the ‘Banquet of Eternal Life’, and so on. By whatever name it is known, one thing is clear: the sacrament embodies the idea and the reality of a great banquet, a feast and a celebration, a very happy occasion brimming with merriment, joy, and an abundance of every good thing, with so much for everyone to eat and drink, get nourished, and be completely satisfied. Another important feature of this celebratory occasion is that it is for everyone, with the invitation extended to all (Rev. 19.9). In reality, however, not everyone accepts the invite, and not all who attend the occasion benefit from its richness. Attending the occasion and worthily partaking of its sacred meal is to have eternal life (Jn 6.54). On the contrary, not to attend the occasion and partake of the meal is to have no life (Jn 6.53). Similarly, to attend the occasion and unworthily partake of the meal is to eat and drink judgement upon oneself (1 Cor. 11.29). We attend the occasion by being active members of the Eucharistic assembly, and we worthily partake of the sacred meal by receiving the Eucharist always in a state of grace, so as to be ourselves transformed into a Eucharistic people. Receiving Holy Communion with mortal sin in our conscience is to receive the sacrament unworthily. It is like attending a wedding feast without ‘a wedding garment’ of grace. The man who did so in today’s gospel parable was fished out, bound hand and foot, and “cast into the outer darkness”, to weep and gnash his teeth (Mt 22.12-13).

READINGS AT SUNDAY MASS

1st Reading: **Is. 25.6-10**; 2nd Reading: **Phil. 4.12-14,19-20**; Gospel: **Mt 22.1-14**.

Psalm: **Ps 23(22): *In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever.***

Gospel Acclamation: *Alleluia, alleluia! The Word was made flesh and lived among us; to all who did accept Him, He gave power to become children of God. Alleluia!*

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Sat., 10th Oct.	+ 28TH SUNDAY <i>Office, Week 4</i>	6.00pm	
Sun., 11th Oct.		9.30am	
		11.00am	Parishioners
Mon., 12 th Oct.	Feria	9.30am	
Tue., 13 th Oct.	St Edward the Confessor	9.30am	Ruth & Kevin Herbkersman
Wed., 14 th Oct.	Feria	7.30pm	Julia Holloway, RIP
Thur., 15 th Oct.	St Theresa of Jesus	9.30am	Pauline Kirkham, RIP
Fri., 16 th Oct.	Feria	9.30am	William Prendergast, RIP
Sat., 17 th Oct.	+ 29TH SUNDAY <i>Office, Week 1</i>	6.00pm	In Thanksgiving
Sun., 18th Sept.		9.30am	
		11.00am	Parishioners

ST PETER'S

Sun., 11th Oct.	+ 27TH SUNDAY <i>Office, Week 3</i>	9.00am	Don Charles Jaykody
		11.00am	Cecilia Jaykody, 4 th Birthday
		2.00pm	Parishioners
		6.00pm	Private Intention
Mon., 12 th Oct.	Feria	9.30am	
Tue., 13 th Oct.	St Edward the Confessor	10.00am	
Wed., 14 th Oct.	Feria	10.00am	
Thur., 15 th Oct.	St Theresa of Jesus	7.00pm	Deceased Members of McDonagh Fam.
Fri., 16 th Oct.	Feria	10.00am	
Sat., 17 th Oct.	St Ignatius of Antioch	10.30am	
Sun., 18th Oct.	+ 28TH SUNDAY <i>Office, Week 4</i>	9.00am	Parishioners
		11.00am	Mrs Elizabeth Davin, Anni.
		2.00pm	Travellers
		6.00pm	Don Bartholomews Jaykody, RIP

SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: Please pray for Sr Jo snd, Martina Knightly, 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, Charles Andi, and Paul Donnelly.

NOTICES

Peter's Pence Collection is one of the three vital second collections the diocese is asking us to support this year. It will be taken **today the 11th**. Thank you for your support.

October Devotion: Due to the pandemic we are not able to meet and observe this devotion this year. We are encouraged to observe it privately by saying the Rosary in our homes every day. Please offer this prayer for an end to the Coronavirus pandemic.

1ST HOLY COMMUNION 2020/2021:

Over 25 children made their First Holy Communion at St Peter's and Marychurch at the weekend and it was a most joyous occasion. We are now inviting applications for children in year 3 upwards who wish to make their First Communion next year. Application forms to register your interest will be available at both churches.

I am pleased to say that as a result of the church having adopted a number of safety guidelines, in order to keep our parishioners Covid-safe, we have seen a steady rise in the number of parishioners attending. I would like to take this opportunity to assure you we continue to be very vigilant, maintaining social distancing and other measures to keep the churches a safe place for all. For the safety of all of our church families, face coverings are to be worn while the Covid guidelines remain in force. We very much look forward to seeing you in the church.

St Peter's and Marychurch Catechists

Booking of Mass: The Holy Mass is Our Lord's perfect prayer, our greatest and most efficacious prayer. In offering it we unite ourselves and our intentions with the Lord in praise, in thanksgiving, and in petition. If you wish to have a Holy Mass offered for any intention of yours, please contact the

parish office or complete the **Mass Intention envelope** at the back of the church and give it to the priest. The diocese encourages a voluntary offering of £10 for each Mass intention.

The Cardinal will celebrate **Mass for the deceased clergy of the diocese** on Nov. the 11th. Please join him in prayer.

Fr Livie will be away from the 12th of Oct. Fr Vincent Morokpakpo msp will provide cover from the 16th.

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

- **Wearing of mask at Mass is now obligatory.** Please cooperate;
- Each time you attend Mass, please complete the attendance card on the table in the side porch as you enter the church, in keeping with the government's Test and Trace guideline;
- Please observe the Social Distancing rules, and the hygiene protocols;
- Please put your Offering in the basket at the exit point as you leave the church at the end of Mass;
- Volunteers are needed to help clean the church after each Mass.

Pauline Hayes would like to thank all the parishioners of Marychurch and St Peter's who kindly donated to her recent STEPTember challenge for Isabel Hospice. A total of 434,567 steps, and £486.00 raised for the Hospice. Your help is very much appreciated by the Hospice. Thank you.

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:
hatfieldsg@safeguardrcdow.org.uk

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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