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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

## **+ 29<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY – YEAR A**

**“Then render to Caesar the things that are Caesar’s”.**

(Matt. 22:21). The malicious ulterior motive of the Pharisees in putting their question to Jesus notwithstanding, they did us all a good turn by getting his answer. That answer is forceful and final. It lays down a norm which solves for all time the question that can arise from our dual citizenship on this earth as Christians. Knowing their evil intent, Jesus said, “why are you testing me hypocrites? Show me the coin that pays the census tax”, and they handed him the Roman coin that bore the image of Caesar. The answer our Lord gives to his challengers explicitly restates the fundamental norm of the divine natural law. God intended for his people to live in a society which is governed by a temporal power; responsible for the common good, material welfare of the people. However, as our ultimate end, humanity has its spiritual welfare. “Give to Caesar what is Caesar’s;” implies that state authorities have a right to the obedience and cooperation in all things that tend to the material welfare of the people, provided always their spiritual welfare is not impeded by the rulers’ demands. Both St Peter (1 Pt 2:13-14) and St Paul (Rom. 13:1-7), emphasized the obligation on the early Christians of being exemplary loyal citizens of the state. Meanwhile, a human person is a partly spiritual being and as such destined to be a citizen of a spiritual eternal kingdom, and while on this earth he has a duty and the possibility of preparing for citizenship in that kingdom. And since this kingdom is of a much more important nature and higher value, a person’s primary goal in life must be to reach that kingdom. He must, in other words, find out and fulfil his duties towards God; one must “give to God what is God’s”. No wonder the Holy word says in (Matt 6:33), “Seek the kingdom of God above all else, and live righteously, and He will give you everything you need”. Stay Blessed

## READINGS AT SUNDAY MASS

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: **Is. 45:1; 4-6**; 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: **1Thess. 1:1-5**; Gospel: **Mt 22:15-21**.

Psalm: **Ps 23(22): Give the Lord glory and power.**

**Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Your word is truth, O Lord: consecrate us in the truth. (Jn 17:17) Alleluia!**

## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

<b>Sat., 17<sup>th</sup> Oct.</b>	<b>+ 29<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY</b> <i>Office, Week 1</i>	<b>6.00pm</b>	In Thanksgiving
<b>Sun., 18<sup>th</sup> Oct.</b>		<b>9.30am</b>	STM Parishioners
		<b>11.00am</b>	Luiza Maria Cardozo RIP
Mon., 19 <sup>th</sup> Oct.	Sts John de Brebeuf & Isaac Jogues. Martyrs	9.30am	
Tue., 20 <sup>th</sup> Oct.	<b>Feria</b>	9.30am	Luiza Maria Cardozo RIP
Wed., 21 <sup>st</sup> Oct.	Feria	7.30pm	
Thur., 22 <sup>nd</sup> Oct.	St John Paul II, OM	9.30am	
Fri., 23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct.	Feria	9.30am	
Sat., 24 <sup>th</sup> Oct.	<b>+ 30<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY</b> <i>Office, Week 2</i>	<b>6.00pm</b>	Parishioners
<b>Sun., 25<sup>th</sup> Sept.</b>		<b>9.30am</b>	Mavice & Josie Ashwell 70 <sup>th</sup> Ann
		<b>11.00am</b>	Peter Dobie

### ST PETER'S

<b>Sun., 18<sup>th</sup> Oct.</b>	<b>+ 29<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY</b> <i>Office, Week 1</i>	<b>9.00am</b>	Parishioners
		<b>11.00am</b>	Mrs Elizabeth Davin Anni.
		<b>2.00pm</b>	Travellers
		<b>6.00pm</b>	Don Batholomew Jaykody, RIP
Mon., 19 <sup>th</sup> Oct.	Ss John de Brebeuf & Isaac Jogues, Martyrs	9.30am	Josephine A. RIP
Tue., 20 <sup>th</sup> Oct.	<b>Feria</b>	9.30am	
Wed., 21 <sup>st</sup> Oct.	Feria	9.30am	Alphonsus & Emmanuel RIP
Thur., 22 <sup>nd</sup> Oct.	St John Paul II, OM	7.00pm	
Fri., 23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct.	Feria	9.30am	Ray and Audery, RIP
Sat., 24 <sup>th</sup> Oct.	St Anthony Mary Claret.	10.30am	
<b>Sun., 25<sup>th</sup> Oct.</b>	<b>+ 30<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY</b> <i>Office, Week 2</i>	<b>9.00am</b>	Kelly McGrath
		<b>11.00am</b>	Parishioners
		<b>2.00pm</b>	Travellers
		<b>6.00pm</b>	Students welfare

**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

## NOVEMBER? ALL SOULS:

We have now put out the envelopes for your list of relatives and loved ones who have passed away, and your mass offering for prayers during the All souls mass and the month of November. You will find the envelopes at the entrance to the Church.

## MARYCHURCH WELFARE GROUP:

Our mission statement states that we strive to proclaim and live our faith by example and to serve others. There is no better time to exemplify service to others than during this strange time, and more so as we approach the winter months. We appreciate those who on individual capacities have reached out to shielding parishioners. We hereby make a request for members to come together in a united front to serve. Put down your name and number if your wish to be part of our welfare group.

**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.

## 1<sup>ST</sup> 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 11<sup>th</sup>. Please join him in prayer.

**WELCOME:** We welcome Fr Vincent Omorokpakpo MSP, who has come to provide cover for Fr Livie who's on holiday. We are glad to have you father.

**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.

**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,  
Email:  
hatfieldsouthsg@safeguardrcdow.org.uk

**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:** 1<sup>st</sup> 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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