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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 – 10.30am

Divine Office:

Suspended for now.

St Peter's

Sunday Masses: 9.15am,
11am, & 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 – 11.30 am

Morning Prayer:

Suspended for now.

+ LENT 3RD SUNDAY – YEAR B

“He spoke of the temple that was His Body.” (Jn 2.21)

Of all the things we possess in life, none is more intimate and personal to us than our own body. We may dispose of any of the things we possess, but never of our body; for we not only possess our body, we are also constituted by it and can never be separated from it without suffering our mortal dissolution. Also, nobody other than ourselves has any right to our body except with our explicit or implied permission. Without that permission, our exclusive right to our body will suffer violence from anyone who touches our body even slightly. So, an unauthorised contact with our body by another person, whether the contact causes physical harm to our body or not, is unacceptable and, in certain circumstances, also a crime. But our right to our body is not absolute; in some cases, contact with our body that is not authorised by us can be necessary and justified, for instance, when someone who is committing a crime is physically restrained. Beyond this, too, our body is ultimately not our own; it belongs wholly to Our Lord Who has purchased it with a price, that it, with His own blood (1 Cor. 6.19-20). It has become the temple of God and of the Holy Spirit Who dwells in it (1 Cor. 3.16-17). Because it has been consecrated to God in our baptism, and nourished in the Eucharist with Our Lord's own Body and thereby made one body with Him (Jn 6.56-57; Rom. 6.4-5), our body is now destined to escape corruption and be resurrected (Rom. 8.23). So, though our body belongs to us and not to another human being, we no longer have the right to do just anything at all we like to it or with it, except to glorify God with it (1 Cor. 6.20), and to do only that which is authorised by the Lord to Whom it wholly belongs.

READINGS AT SUNDAY MASS

1st Reading: **Exod. 20.1-17**; 2nd Reading: **1 Cor. 1.22-25**; Gospel: **John 2.13-25**.

Psalm: **Ps 18(19).8-11**: *You, Lord, have the message of eternal life.*

Gospel Acclamation: Praise to You, O Christ, King of eternal glory! I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord; whoever believes in Me will never die.

MASS DURING THE WEEK

Sun., 6 th Mar.	+ 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT <i>Office, Week 3</i>	6.00am	John & Bridie Slean, RIP
Sun., 7 th Mar.		9.30am (STM)	Parishioners
		11.00am	Barry Holloway, RIP
Mon., 8 th Mar.	Lent Feria	9.30am	Violet's Healing
Tue., 9 th Mar.	Lent Feria	9.30am	Harold Pym, RIP
Wed., 10 th Mar.	Lent Feria	7.30pm	
Thur., 11 th Mar.	Lent Feria	9.30am	
Fri., 12 th Mar.	Lent Feria	9.30am	Christina and Joseph, RIP
Sat., 13 th Mar.	+ 4TH SUNDAY OF LENT <i>Office, Week 4</i>	6.00pm	Ruth & Kevin Herbkersman's Int.
Sun., 14 th Mar.		9.30am (STM)	Kathleen Rhine, RIP
		11.00am	Parishioners

ST PETER'S

Sun., 7 th Mar.	+ 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT <i>Office, Week 3</i>	9.00am	Harold Pym, RIP
		11.00am	Parishioners
		2.00pm	
		6.00pm	
Mon., 8 th Mar.	Lent Feria	9.30am	
Tue., 9 th Mar.	Lent Feria	9.30am	
Wed., 10 th Mar.	Lent Feria	9.30am	
Thur., 11 th Mar.	Lent Feria	7.00pm	
Fri., 12 th Mar.	Lent Feria	9.30am	
Sat., 13 th Mar.	Lent Feria	10.30am	
Sun., 14 th Mar.	+ 4TH SUNDAY OF LENT <i>Office, Week 4</i>	9.00am	
		11.00am	Parishioners
		2.00pm	
		6.00pm	

SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: Please pray for Sr Jo snd, Martina Knightly, Adele Pym, Chido Chandisarewa, Anne Owens, Alan Smith, Rob Catlings, Joyce Davies, Josie Ashwell, Maudy Tapfumaneyi, Chris Harrison, Katie Shannon, Patricia Dee, Larry Carolan, Charles Andi, and Paul Donnelly.

NOTICES

We are approaching the end of the Tax year 2020/2021. If you no longer pay income tax, please let us now. If we could claim the tax you paid whilst earning the offertory you have given to the church, please ask for a Gift Aid Declaration Form to be sent to you.

Lenten Prayer/Reflection Week 3, Tue. March the 9th @ 7.30 pm:

Zoom link:

<https://us05web.zoom.us/j/86907231617?pwd=TUVzVG9TUEhMTWNOT2xsVkYzSVdDQT09>

Meeting ID: 869 0723 1617

Passcode: 3kYLaP

St Peter's: Online Live Streaming:

Public worship at the parish will now be live-streamed online – Sunday Mass at 11.00 am; Stations of the Cross on Friday at 7.00 pm. *The You tube channel* link:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCcqVz9i7ILtGAeoYrvurIzw>

Easter Flower Collection: Next weekend we need your support for Easter flowers. Please contribute generously to our 2nd Collection for that purpose. Thank you.

Stations of the Cross takes place in the church every Friday at 7.30pm. All are welcome to join us.

2021 Confirmations: Applications for this year's programme are still welcome. Intending candidates are requested to collect, complete, and return the forms to the parish office. The forms can also be downloaded online from the parish microsite.

Youth Ministry: The Youth Group plans to start the youth programme online with the post-Communion children. The initial programme will involve games. An Apha programme for teenagers will follow later.

Cardinal's Lenten Appeal 2021:

Cardinal Nichols thanks you for your generous support for the Cardinal's Lenten Appeal, especially throughout the unprecedented events of 2020. Your donations help fund initiatives in parishes, schools and charities in three mission areas which are more critical than ever.

Marriage and Family Life: enriching and supporting marriages, the essential building block of society and the Church;

Youth and Evangelisation: helping young people, the future of the Church, as they grow in their relationship with God and deepen their Catholic faith;

Caritas Westminster: putting our faith into action by serving those in need;

Education Service: supporting our schools. This year, the Cardinal is asking us to think about families who are struggling to put food on the table. Poverty is deepening across our diocese and the need for foodbanks and supermarket vouchers has accelerated. Through your generosity we're continuing to provide food for those people most in need. Please take a donation envelope. You can use the QR code to make your donation online. Thank you for your generosity.

Please pray for **Hans Paul Wilhelm Henn** (91 years) of The Dutch Nursery whose funeral Mass will be at St Thomas More on the 11th of March @ 12.30 pm.

Baptism: See Parish Priest.
Preparation obligatory

Confessions:

MC/STM: Only on request for now;
SP: Only on request for now.

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-
1.30pm

Safeguarding Officer:

MC/STM: Angela Madden,
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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, SP: Suspended for now.

Rosary: MC/STM:
Suspended for now.

SP: Suspended for now.

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour:
Suspended for now.

Christian Meditation:
MC: Suspended for now.

Hatfield SVP:
07960 785673

St Pio Prayer Group:
SP: Suspended for now.

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.

Monthly Offertory Collection

Thank you.

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