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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:

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.

+ DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

He breathed on them and said: Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven. (Jn 20.22-23)

The Opening Prayer of the 26th Sunday of the Year starts with these words: *O God, Who manifest Your almighty power above all by pardoning and showing mercy.* It may sound ironic that God's preeminent manner of displaying His infinite and awesome power among us is not by subduing nations and everyone and everything, or by punishing every offence, but by forgiving sins and showing mercy. But that is the mystery of His divine love. He is *The Lord, the Lord, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love . . . forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin* (Exod. 34.6-7). He does not mark iniquities, else *no one could stand*; but with Him is forgiveness, that we might fear Him (Ps 130.3-4). Due to His merciful love for us, Our Lord in all humility assumed our human nature and, as our divine Physician, came for all who are spiritually sick, not for those who are well, to call sinners, not the righteous, to repentance (Lk 5.31-32). In mercy, He also considered our weakness and propensity for sinning. So, He not only gave us the sacrament of Penance to heal us of our spiritual infirmities, He also made this sacrament readily available to us through the mystery of the Church (Jn 20.21-23) of which we are parts. We now have always the means and the opportunity to be forgiven of our sins and cleansed of our guilt through His name (Acts 10.43; cf. 2.38; Lk 24.47). Unless we see ourselves as spiritually sick, recognize and admit our sins, and avail of this healing sacrament, we exclude ourselves from those for whom the Lord came into this world, and our guilt, as a result, will remain (Jn 9.41).

READINGS AT SUNDAY MASS

1st Reading: **Acts 4.32-35**; 2nd Reading: **1 John 5.1-6**; Gospel: **John 20.19-31**.

Psalm: **Ps 118(117).2-4,15-18,22-24**: *Give thanks to the Lord for He is good, for His love has no end.*

Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus said: 'You believe because you can see Me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.' *Alleluia!*

MASS DURING THE WEEK

Sat., 10th Apr.	+ DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY <i>Office, Easter Week 2</i>	6.00am	Parishioners
Sun., 11th Apr.		9.30am (STM)	Kathleen Rhine & Lynette Belch, RIP
		11.00am	Cecilia Hope McDonagh, 1 st Ann.
Mon., 12 th Apr.	Easter Feria	9.30am	
Tue., 13 th Apr.	Easter Feria	9.30am	Kevin Herbkersman, Birthday
Wed., 14 th Apr.	Easter Feria	7.30pm	
Thur., 15 th Apr.	Easter Feria	9.30am	
Fri., 16 th Apr.	Easter Feria	9.30am	
Sat., 17th Apr.	+ DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY <i>Office, Easter Week 3</i>	6.00pm	Parishioners
Sun., 18th Apr.		9.30am (STM)	
		11.00am	Kathleen Rhine & Lynette Belch, RIP

ST PETER'S

Sun., 11th Apr.	+ DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY <i>Office, Easter Week 2</i>	9.00am	James Louis Barron, RIP
		11.00am	Parishioners
		2.00pm	
		6.00pm	
Mon., 12 th Apr.	Easter Feria	9.30am	James Louis Barron, RIP
Tue., 13 th Apr.	Easter Feria	9.30am	Intentions of Noreen Savage
Wed., 14 th Apr.	Easter Feria	9.30am	Frances Ward, Anniversary
Thur., 15 th Apr..	Easter Feria	7.00pm	
Fri., 16 th Apr.	Easter Feria	9.30am	
Sat., 17 th Apr.	Easter Feria	10.30am	Angela King, RIP
Sun., 18th Apr.	+ 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER <i>Office, Easter Week 3</i>	9.00am	Intentions of Seena & Family
		11.00am	Parishioners
		2.00pm	
		6.00pm	

SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: Please pray for Sr Jo snd, Yvonne Stephens, 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

St Peter's Online Live Streaming: The 11.00 am Mass in the parish is now being live-streamed online. You can join on this YouTube channel link:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCcqVz9i7ILtGAeoYrvur1zw>

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.

Catholic Ethos Advocate Circa £40k per annum (dependent upon skills,

qualifications and experience, pro-rata where applicable). The Trustees of St Elizabeth's, Much Hadham Hertfordshire SG10 6EW are creating a new post to further, celebrate and promote the distinctive Catholic identity and ethos of the Centre. St Elizabeth's is a long established charity, (which has a school for 5-19 year olds; a College for 18-25 year olds and a Registered Children's Home and Care Home with Nursing for Adults), providing education, care and medical support on a 52-week basis of up to 200 people of all ages with learning disabilities and other complex medical needs, often caused or complicated by severe epilepsy and/or autism. To apply and to find out more information about St Elizabeth's, please visit our website: www.stelizabeths.org.uk or email recruitment@stelizabeths.org.uk.

Happy Divine Mercy Sunday

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

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:
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kindergarten.co.uk.

Hall Booking: Enquiries to:
MC/STM: Parish Secretary

SP: Parish Secretary

Tea & Coffee: After 11am
Mass in both parishes.
Please, join us.

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.

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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**“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.

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