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OUR MISSION STATEMENT



We, the parishioners of **Marychurch (Mary Mother of the Church)** with St Thomas More, are a people anited 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.

# + 17<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY – YEAR B

*Gather up the fragments left over, that nothing may be lost.* (John 6.12)

In 2019 the 74<sup>th</sup> General Assembly of the United Nations designated September the 29<sup>th</sup> every year as the International Day of Awareness of Food Loss and Waste. For anyone wondering why the awareness is necessary, or why a day should be set aside worldwide for it, we note that annually food loss and waste accounts for a staggering one-third (the equivalent of 1.3 billion tons) of all food produced globally and occurs at the levels of food production, distribution, and consumption. At the level of production, much food is discarded for not meeting the standard and so considered unfit for the stall. During distribution, the food in the stall is removed and thrown away at the expiry of its best-beforedate. Food throwaway at the level of consumption occurs as a result of households not eating all the food they buy. This is all happening when about 700 million people globally suffer severe hunger. Besides, the food that ends up in landfills due to the loss and waste is reckoned to generate about 8% of the emission of greenhouse gases that ominously account for global warming. Food loss and waste equally involves pointless waste of production, energy, capital, land, water, labour, and all that goes into food production. So, for there to be zero hunger and mitigated climate change, all need to be aware of food loss and waste and its impacts, and also of the importance of responsible and sustainable food production and consumption. If we all learn and begin to shop smarter, cook and eat smarter, and store smarter, there will be less food loss and waste, less climate change, and less hunger as more people will be fed.

#### **READINGS AT SUNDAY MASS**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: 2 Kg 4.42-44; 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Eph. 4.1-6; Gospel: John 6.1-15.
Psalm: Ps 144(145): You open wide Your hand, O Lord, and grant our desires.
Alleluia, alleluia! Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life; You have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!

Sat., 24 <sup>th</sup> July	+ 17 <sup>m</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	6.00am	
Sun., 25 <sup>th</sup> July		9.30am (STM)	Parishioners
		11.00am	Gamucharayi Tapfumanei, RIP
Mon., 26th July	Ss Joachim & Anne	9.30am	Carol Thomas's Intention
Tue., 27 <sup>th</sup> July	Feria	9.30am	
Wed., 28th July	Feria	7.30pm	Bill Watson, RIP
Thur., 29th July	Ss Martha, Mary, Lazarus	9.30am	Alfredo & Dominic Mari, RIP
Fri., 30th July	Feria	9.30am	
Sat., 31 <sup>st</sup> July	+ 18 <sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Office, Week 2	6.00pm	
Sun., 1 <sup>st</sup> Aug.		9.30am (STM)	
		11.00am	Parishioners

## MASS DURING THE WEEK

#### ST PETER'S

Sun., 25 <sup>th</sup> July	+ 17 <sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Office, Week 1	9.00am	Chummar Kiz Hekepeedika, RIP
		11.00am	Peter Marron & Anthony Marron
		12.30pm	1 <sup>st</sup> Holy Communion Thanksgiving
		2.00pm	
		6.00pm	Parishioners
Mon., 26 <sup>th</sup> July	Ss Joachim & Anne	9.30am	Chummar Kiz Hekepeedika, RIP
Tue., 27th July	Feria	9.30am	Private Family Intention
Wed., 28 <sup>th</sup> July	Feria	10.30am	FUNERAL MASS
Thur., 29 <sup>th</sup> July	Ss Martha, Mary, Lazarus	7.00pm	
Fri., 30th July	Feria	9.30am	Elizabeth Griffin, RIP
Sat., 31st July	St Ignatius of Loyola	10.30am	
Sun., 1 <sup>st</sup> Aug.	+ 18 <sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Office, Week 2	9.00am	Micheal Burke & Family Intentions
		11.00am	Catherin Victor Kajar, RIP
		2.00pm	
		6.00pm	Parishioners

**SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:** Please pray for Clara Sakala, Sr Jo snd, Sheila Bailey, Martina Knightly, Adele Pym, Chido Chandisarewa, Anne Owens, Joyce Davies, Josie Ashwell, Maudy Tapfumaneyi, Chris Harrison, Katie Shannon, Patricia Dee, Michael MacPherson, Marie Anthony, Christine Donnelly, and Paul Donnelly.

#### NOTICES

<u>A MASSIVE THANK YOU</u> to the Zimbabwe Community, Hertfordshire, for their generous donation of a **Super Handy Fogger and 15 litres of Antiviral Disinfectant.** May God reward them abundantly.

Altar Cloths and Tea Urns: The parish have in recent weeks received a number of generous donations for altar cloths and tea urns, should you wish to support/ fund these and other items in the parish please place your donation in the blue envelope at the back of church (including your parish number and date of donation to enable claim of gift aid, where appropriate). All donations will be accepted confidentially. Thank-you.

<u>Pictures and Cushions</u>: If you would like to purchase or sponsor an anniversary picture or cushion, please put your contact details and request in the suggestion box at the back of church.

<u>Youth Ministry</u>: During the summer holiday the Youth Club will be running fun activities for the **current years 3, 4, 5 and 6 every Friday at 5pm in St Peter's Church hall**. Craft activities, cookery, games, and life saving skills will be offered. For more information please contact Caroline on <u>hatfieldyouth@rcdow.org.uk</u> or phone 07557 819858.

**<u>NEW COVID GUIDELLINE</u>**: From the 19<sup>th</sup>, the following guideline applies:

• The obligation to attend Sunday Mass will be reinstated beginning from November the 28<sup>th</sup>, the first Sunday of Advent;

- The local situation will determine the level of restriction to be put in place;
- Mitigating measures will continue wearing of masks while inside the church; sanitising hands on entering and on leaving the church; cleaning and properly ventilating the church;
- Opening the church all day for private prayers;
- Social distancing is no longer mandatory;
- Test, Track and Trace: Continued use of QR codes and contact cards;
- One-way system and movement no longer necessary; caution to be taken;
- Congregational singing to resume; the congregation to wear mask. From next Sunday, hymn books will return to the shelves;
- The services of Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Altar Servers, Choir, and all the usual ministers at Mass will resume;
- Offertory Collection can now be taken the usual way;
- Physical Sign of Peace remains suspended;
- Holy Communion to remain under one kind and may be received on the tongue;
- Any number of people can attend the celebration of baptism, confirmation, wedding, funeral;
- Social and catechetical activities in person can resume.

Please return the hymn books to the shelves as you leave the church. Thank you.

**<u>Baptism</u>:** See Parish Priest. Preparation obligatory

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

<u>Marriage</u>: 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, 01707 262439; Email: hatfieldsg@safeguardrcdow.o rg.uk

SP: Seena Vadassery, Nonso Ijezie, and Eric Chiejina; Ph: 07402030680; Email: hatfieldsouthsg@safeguardr cdow.org.uk

Planned Giving: MC/STM: Gillian Sutton: gilliansutton@rcdow.org.uk

**SP:** Pat Malsher: 01707 265530

"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. Sacred Heart Novena: MC, SP: Suspended for now.

**<u>Rosary</u>: 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. Hall Booking: Enquiries to: MC/STM: Parish Secretary

SP: Parish Secretary

<u>Tea & Coffee</u>: 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.

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