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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:

20 mins 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 – 11.30 am

Morning Prayer:

9.10am, Mon.-Fri.

+ 25TH SUNDAY – YEAR B

WHO IS THE GREATEST? A Lesson in Humility

Following Peter's Confession of Jesus as the Messiah, Jesus makes three predictions of his imminent passion. In each of the predictions, the disciples demonstrated a lack of understanding that all but upset their master, leading at one point to Jesus addressing Peter as Satan. After the prediction in Mk. 9:30, they got serious with the debate about who was the greatest among them, perhaps, who would get the most coveted position when their master takes his Kingdom; the worldly kingdom they envisaged. Yet a new level of misunderstanding, and they were afraid to ask; perhaps not wanting the sort of rebuke Peter received earlier for displaying his lack of understanding (8:33).

Although they were beside the point of his teaching in their argument, Jesus ceases the opportunity as he does every time to reveal another insight about the Kingdom of God. The kingdom of God assigned honour differently from the society the disciples were familiar with. The greatest among them would have to behave like he is the least of all so as to possess true power, the power of the one who sent Jesus. No wonder the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many (Mk 10:45), as he would subsequently reveal to them.

In choosing the child to drive home his message, Jesus showed that all human persons, made in the image and likeness of God (Gen.1:26), possess infinite value and deserve equal amount of love, care and respect. None is greater than the other.

READINGS AT SUNDAY MASS

1st Reading: **Wis 2:12;17-20**; 2nd Reading: **James 3:16-4:3**; Gospel: **Mk. 9:30-37**.

Psalm: **Ps 53(54): 3-6,8**: *The Lord upholds my life.*

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the light of the world, says the Lord; anyone who follows me will have the light of life. Alleluia!

MASS DURING THE WEEK

Sat., 18 th Sept.	+ 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME <i>Office, Week 1</i>	6.00am	
Sun., 19th Sept.		9.30am (STM)	Parishioners
		11.00am	Brenda O’Connel
Mon., 20 th Sept.	Sts Andrew & Paul & C	9:30am	
Tue., 21 st Sept.	St Matthew the Ap.	9:30am	
Wed., 22 nd Sept.	Feria	7.30pm	Special Intenrion
Thur., 23 rd Sept.	St Padre Pio	9.30am	
Fri., 24 th Sept.	Our Lady Walsingham	9.30am	
Sat., 25 th Sept.	+ 26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME <i>Office, Week 2</i>	6.00pm	
Sun., 26th Sept.		9.30am (STM)	
		11.00am	Fr Bernard Lang RIP

ST PETER'S

Sun., 19th Sept.	+ 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME <i>Office, Week 1</i>	9.00am	
		11.00am	
		2.00pm	
		6.00pm	
Mon., 20 th Sept.	Sts Andrew & Paul & C	9.30am	
Tue., 21 st Sept.	St Matthew the Ap.	9.30am	
Wed., 22 nd Sept.	Feria	9.30am	
Thur., 23 rd Sept.	St Padre Pio	7.00pm	
Fri., 24 th Sept.	Our Lady of Walsinham	9.30am	
Sat., 25 th Sept.	Feria	10.30am	
Sun., 26th Sept.	+ 26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME <i>Office, Week 2</i>	9.00am	
		11.00am	Margaret Kiely RIP
		2.00pm	
		6.00pm	Jennifer Goodsell RIP

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

NOTICES

Cleaning Rota: Janet is planning a cleaning rota and we still need more volunteers to sign up. If you would like to help, please put your name in the form at the back of the church. Thank you.

We are also planning a rota for readers soon. Let me know if you wish to be included and to which of the masses. Also calling for new volunteers to read and to help with the garden.

As you may know, Fr Livie is leaving the parish towards the end of October. Plans are under way for a farewell party for him. We await further details about the party from the event committee. Janet and Gillian are helping with the collection we are taking for this purpose. When a card is ready, you will be informed to please sign it.

Anyone with a house for short-term let (or if you know of one), please let Pat O'Brien know on 07817132606 – Many thanks.

The card shop in Hatfield is now closed, please consider telling family and friends about the wonderful cards and recycled items on sale at Marychurch every Thursday 9am till

noon.

The Youth Group is now up and running and offering a wide variety of activities for children ages 8 – 12. Start time is 5 p.m. at St. Peter's Church Hall every Friday for one hour at a cost of only £2. Lots of games and a tuck shop also available. Free session for every 10 attended. For more information please contact Caroline on 07557 819858 or email hatfieldyouth@rcdow.org.uk.

There is a second collection today, 19th of September, for Home Mission Sunday.

Lucky Duck Winner for August number 32. Congratulations. Everyone please join in!! You need to purchase a duck before the 26th of September 2021 to be included in this month's draw.

Offertory for July: Envelopes- £727.95; Standing Orders and Online - £1,236.37; Loose - £1,109.72; General Donations- £576.90. Total = 3,650.94.

As you leave the church please remember to return to the shelf the hymn book you used. Thank you.

YOU CAN NOW MAKE YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE PARISH DIRECTLY TO THE PARISH ACCOUNT USING THE FOLLOWING DETAILS:

Account Name – WRCDT MARYCHURCH HATFIELD

Bank – HSBC

Sort Code – 40-05-20

Account Number – 41266217

THANK YOU

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:
luciafederici@mountcarmel
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,
01707 262439; Email:
hatfieldsg@safeguardrcdow.o
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SP: Seena Vadassery, Nonso
Ijezie, and Eric Chiejina; Ph:
07402030680; Email:
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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.

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