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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.

+ALL SAINTS SOLEMNITY- YEAR B

CALLED TO BE SAINTS

During the year the Church celebrates one by one the feasts of the saints. Today she joins them all in one festival. In addition to those whose names she knows, she recalls in a magnificent vision all the others "of all nations and tribes standing before the throne and in sight of the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands, proclaiming Him who redeemed them in His Blood" (Apoc.7:2-14). The feast of All Saints should inspire us with tremendous hope. Among the saints in heaven are some whom we have known. All lived on earth lives like our own. They were baptized, marked with the sign of faith, they were faithful to Christ's teaching and they have gone before us to the heavenly home whence they call on us to follow them. The Gospel of the Beatitudes, read today, while it shows their happiness, shows, too, the road that they followed; there is no other that will lead us whither they have gone. The important question is what must we to do in order to join the company of the saints in heaven? The Vatican II council fathers offered a thought: We "must follow in His (Jesus) footsteps and conform [our]selves to His image seeking the will of the Father in all things. [We] must devote [our]selves with all [our] being to the glory of God and the service of [our] neighbour. In this way, the holiness of the People of God will grow into an abundant harvest of good, as is admirably shown by the life of so many saints in Church history" (Lumen Gentium, 40). May Gods grace that enabled the saints never depart from us. Amen.

READINGS AT SUNDAY MASS

1st Reading: Apoc. 7:2-14; 2nd Reading: 1 John 3:1-3; Gospel: Matt. 5:1-12a.
Psalm: Ps 23(24):1-6: Such are the men who seek your face, O Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia! Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened and I will give rest, says the Lord. Alleluia!

MASS DURING THE WEEK

Sat., 30 TH Oct.	+ ALL SAINTS SOLEMNITY-YR B Divine Office, Wk 3	6.00pm	
Sun., 31 ST Oct.		9.30am (STM)	Thanksgiving
		11.00am	Ron Thomas. RIP
Mon., 1st Nov.	Feria	9.30am	Maurice Scally, RIP
Tue., 2 nd Nov.	ALL SOULS DAY	9.30am	Martha Byrne, Good health.
Wed., 3rd Nov.	Feria	7.30pm	Bill & Raynah Watson, RIP
Thur., 4 th Nov.	Feria	9.30am	Lilian Famoroti, Btday Tksgiving
Fri., 5 th Nov.	Feria	9.30am	Noemi & Elias Gonsalves, RIP
Sat., 6 th Nov.	+ 32 ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Divine Office, Wk 4	6.00pm	
Sun., 7 TH NOV.		9.30am	
		(STM)	
		11.00am	Sr Michael, RIP & Family

ST PETER'S

Sun., 31st Oct.	+ ALL SAINTS SOLEMNITY-YR B Divine Office, Wk 3	9.00am	
		11.00am	
		2.00pm	Travellers, living and depaerted
		6.00pm	Students intentions
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Tue., 2 nd Nov.	ALL SOULS DAY	9.30am	
Wed., 3 rd Nov.	Feria	9.30am	
Thur., 4 th Nov.	Feria	7.00pm	
Fri., 5 th Nov.	Feria	9.30am	Charlie Ward, RIP
Sat., 6 th Nov.	Feria	10.30am	Luis James Barron, RIP
Sun., 7 TH NOV.	+ 32 ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.00am	
		11.00am	
	Divine Office, Wk 4	2.00pm	
	Divine Office, WK 4	6.00pm	

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, Paul Donnelly and Nora Ding.

NOTICE

Sick & Retired Priests Collection: The second collection next week 7th Nov. will be for sick and retired priests of our diocese. This is our chance to say thank you to these priests who have given so much to the church. You will find a donation envelop at the back of the church. Please trake one home, and return it next weekend with your donation. Please continue to pray for the wellgeing of all of our clergy. You can donate online at www.rcdow.org.uk/donations.

MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS:

Tuesday the 3rd of Nov, masses will said in commemoration of all souls. Make a list of your departed relatives and friends and enclose same (with your mass offering) in the envelop provided. You will find the envelops at the entrance and exit point of the Church.

NEW PARISH PRIEST: We welcome our new parish priest, **Fr Agbor Fredrick Isek. Msp. We** wish him all the best in our parishes. **PPRECIATION**: A huge thank you to all who planned and all who attended the farewell do for Fr Livie. It was a hugee success. Fr was delighted and sends his appreciation and best wishes.

Request for lift to Mass: Leela De Run, who is 87 desires to attend mass on Sundays but requires transport. She lives at 41 Wellfield Road. If you can help, contact Leela on 01707551390 or 07926883639 and let the secretary know.

The First Holy Communion Parents meeting will take place on Sunday, the 31st of October at 3pm in St Peter's Church Hall. This will be a joint session with Marychurch. Children are not required to attend. This will be an opportunity for parents to meet the catechists

and find out how the programme will run and have their questions (if any) answered.

GIFT AID: The pendamic has made our offerrory income much reduced. At this time however it is inappropriate to ask parishioners to give more. What I could encourage you to do is to *Gift Aid* your offering. If you pay UK income tax, this would increase the value of your giving by 25%. Gift Aid forms and offertory envelopes are available at the back of the church. Alternatatively, you could fill in a Banker's Order form. Gillian will explain. Thank you.

St Philip Howard School are looking for volunteers to join the Board of Governors. Experience not necessary as full training will be given. Attendance at 4 Board of Governors meeting during the academic year plus a couple of committee meetings will be required. If you are interested and would like more information please contact Linda Graham on 07768 777768.

<u>Create and Donate</u>: Please make a 9.5 inch by 18inch rectangle in knitting or crochet. This task will enable a child to sleep better at night; so many children across Africa need a head covering as the nights are so bitterly cold. Our target 100+ Childrens hats.(oversized hats will be made up for the homeless. Anyone free on Thursday morning can pick up a pack that includes a pattern and wool, from the hall, join us for coffee, in support or help to make them up and see the progress we have made. <u>Lord</u> you have need of my hands.

Please 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

<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@safeguardrcdow.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.

Rosary: MC/STM:

Suspended for now.

SP: Suspended for now.

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour:

<u>Perpetual Succour:</u> Suspended for now.

Christian Meditation:

MC: Suspended for now.

<u>Hatfield SVP</u>: 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.

<u>Hall Booking</u>: 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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