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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, Tue, Wed, Fri.

#### +CHRIST THE KING-SOLEMNITY

The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe was instituted by Pope Pius XI in 1925, the sixteenth centenary of the Council of Nicaea at which the doctrine of the consubstantiality of Christ with the Father was defined. To emphasize its eschatological character, it was moved, in the calendar reforms of the Second Vatican Council, to the final Sunday of the liturgical year, the 34th Sunday. The Pope asserted that the most effective defence against the destructive forces of the age is the recognition of the kingship of Christ; and, furthermore, a feast which is celebrated every year by everyone is a far better way of deploying that defence than any number of books written by learned people. First, we do; then we come to understand what it is that we are doing. Each of us has been anointed with holy oil at baptism, as priest, prophet and king. The feast of Christ the King is thus a good moment to reflect on our kingship and on what "king" means and how to be one. Understanding the feast makes us understand our own call better. One possible point of entry is in Genesis, where Adam sits in state and God brings him all the animals for him to give them names. To give names to one's subjects is the act of a king. The responsibility of a king is then to care for his subjects, which is why we are obliged to act as custodians of creation: something no other creature is. How far that responsibility takes one can then be seen in the King of the Universe, who is simultaneously the ruler of all and the servant of all. He rules in triumph; and he rules from the Cross. Perhaps a way into a meditation on all this would be to ask, "Over whom am I, personally, king?" and hence "Whom am I called to serve?". Let us pray therefore for the coming of Gods kingdom in our daily lives, "for where God is absent, nothing can be good. Where God is not seen, humanity and the world fall to ruin". Thus, Jesus admonishes, "seek first the Kingdom and the righteousness of God, and all else will be added unto you (Mt 6:33). Happy Solemnity.

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

1st Reading: **Dan 7:13-14**; 2nd Reading: **Apoc. 1:5-8**; Gospel: **John 18:33-37**.

Psalm: Ps 92(93): 1-2,5: The Lord is king, with majesty enrobed.

Alleluia, alleluia!Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David. Alleluia! Mk. 11:10.

#### MASS DURING THE WEEK

Sat., 20 <sup>TH</sup> NOV	+ CHRIST THE KING-SOLEMNITY	6.00pm	Robert DiGiuseppe, RIP
G 21st		9.30am	John Burke, RIP
Sun., 21st	Divine Office, Wk 2	(STM)	
NOV.	Divine Office, WK 2	11.00am	Norbeto Santano Cardozo, RIP
Mon. 22 <sup>nd</sup> Nov.	St Cecilia	7.00pm	Barry & Ann Holloway, RIP
Tue., 23rd Nov.	Feria	9.30am	Mercedes Albano Anniv.
Wed., 24th Nov.	St Andrew D-Lac & C	9.30am	Stanislaw Macienko, RIP
Thur., 25 <sup>th</sup> Nov.	Feria	NO Mass	No Mass
Fri., 26 <sup>th</sup> Nov.	Feria	9.30am	John Galvin, RIP
Sat., 27 <sup>th</sup> Nov.	+ FIRST SUNDAY	6.00pm	Geraldine De Laubengue, RIP
	OF ADVENT-YR C	9.30am	
Sun., 28th NOV.		(STM)	
	Divine Office, Wk 1	11.00am	Emily & George Waterman, RIP

### ST PETER'S

Sun., 21 <sup>ST</sup> NOV.	+ CHRIST THE KING-SOLEMNITY Divine Office, Wk 2	9.00am	
		11.00am	Celso Albano's intention
		2.00pm	
		6.00pm	
Mon., 22 <sup>nd</sup> Nov.	Feria	N Mass	No Mass
Tue., 23rd Nov.	St Edmond of Abingd	9.30am	Bruno Fernando RIP
Wed., 24th Nov.	Feria	9.30am	Engelbert Valencia. Tksgiving
Thur., 25th Nov.	Feria	7.00pm	Holy Souls
Fri., 26 <sup>th</sup> Nov.	Feria	9.30am	Deceased Members of Rentuma fam
Sat., 27 <sup>th</sup> Nov.	Feria	10.30am	Holy Souls
Sun., 28 <sup>th</sup> NOV.	+ FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT-YR C Divine Office, Wk 2	9.00am	
		11.00am	Deceased Members of Rentuma F
		2.00pm	
		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, Maria Campbell, Christine Donnelly, Paul Donnelly and Nora Ding.

#### NOTICE

NEW PARISH PRIEST INDUCTION: The Induction ceremony of Fr Agbor as our new parish priest will take place on Dec the 10<sup>th</sup>. Bishop Paul has agreed to officiate a 7pm mass at St Peters Church to mark this very important canonical event. Put the date and time in your diary. We need volunteers to plan the evening. Contact Fr Francis asap if you wish to help.

MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS: There will be the annual blessing of the grave ceremony at the Hatfield Lawn Cemetry this sunday, the 21<sup>st</sup> of Nov at 2pm.

### **ADVENT:PENITENTIAL**

**SERVICE/CONFESSION:** This will take place at Maychurch on 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec at 6:30pm and St Peters on Dec 4<sup>th</sup> from 10:30am to 12pm and.

#### **CONFIRMATION CEREMONY:**

There will be a mass of Confirmation for traveller children (who have been prepared for this) on the 27<sup>th</sup> of Nov at 3pm. Bishop Paul will precide at this mass.

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.

GIFT AID: The pendamic brought the world to its kneels. Recovery is a long way off, but we keep trusting God. In the spirit of this trust, prayerfully think about the parish finances and see if/how you can assist. You can 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 as you enter/exit the church. You could fill in a Banker's Order form instead for online giving. Gillian Sutton can explain further. Thank you.

NATIVITY PLAY: The Parish is in need of volunteers who would help organize the Nativity play around Christmas. Reach out to the parish clergy if you would be able to help.

St Philip Howard School are looking for volunteers to join the Board of Governors. This is an opportunity to contribute to the formation of our young ones. Experience not necessary as full training will be given. If you would like more information please contact Linda Graham on 07768 777768.

**CHURCH KEY UPDATE:** We would like to update the list of who has what key to the various facilities in the Parish. If you have key(s) therefore, please inform the secretary as to which key you have before the 10<sup>th</sup> of December. (Do not presume she knows please).

**Synodal Pathway:** The synodal pathway proposed by Pope Francis has since started its preliminary consultations. Our Parishes need at least two volunteers to represent us at the diocesan level. If you think you can do this, have a chat with the priests asap.

<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 you have need of my hands</u>.

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@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.

Rosary: MC/STM:

Suspended for now.

**SP:** Suspended for now.

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

<u>Christian Meditation</u>: 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.

<u>Catholic Chaplaincy Lister</u> <u>Hospital</u>: 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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