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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:**

Tue., Wed., Fri.: 9.30am;  
Mon.: 7.00pm

**Holy Days of Obligation:**

Mass: As Announced.

**Eucharistic Adoration**

Fri.: 10am – 10:30am

**St Peter's**

**Sunday Masses:**

9am, 11am, 2pm, & 6pm

**Weekday Masses:**

Tues., Wed., Fri: 9.30 am  
Thur.: 7pm; Sat.: 10.30am

**Holy Days of Obligation:**

Mass: As Announced.

**Eucharistic Adoration**

Sat. 11.00 am – 11.30 am

**+2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY, ORDINARY TIME-YR C**

*They have no win; Do whatever he tells you. John 2:4-5*

Christ graced the solemnity of the marriage ceremony, not only with his presence, but worked his first miracle in order to grant a temporal favour, an earthly gift, to save the newly-married groom from embarrassment. He used the opportunity to convince his very recent disciples of their belief that he was the expected Messiah, and also it convinces all Christians of the efficacy of our Lady's intercession for us, but its primary purpose was to confer a temporal benefit on the groom. By this act, Jesus shows that God is interested in and involved with our ordinary daily affairs. He took our human nature and became man, to make us adopted children of God. This miracle proves that he has deep interest in our journey through to heaven and all the challenges we face on the way. He told us "Ask and you shall receive." (Jn 7:7) That "shall" is not a probability, our prayers will be answered, and what we should ask for is not only spiritual gifts, but the temporal goods also which we need (But we already do that, don't we). We shall get our temporal requests, provided of course that they won't impede us on our journey to heaven. No kind father would give his child a gift that would injure him (Lk 11:11)—God is the kindest of fathers and he sees what will or will not impede or endanger our eternal happiness. We can and should therefore make our temporal needs known to God in our prayers, confident that he will give us what we ask if it is for our good. But someone may object: how often have I asked God for temporal favours I needed so badly, and my prayer went unanswered? Was it unanswered really? Perhaps not exactly what you asked for but you got something more useful, more necessary, something you never thought of asking for, but the good God saw your need of it. We have a father in heaven who really loves us, and cares for us, let us make our temporal, as well as our spiritual needs, known to him in confident prayer and through Mary our mother. Our requests will not go unanswered.

## READINGS AT SUNDAY MASS

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: **Isa. 62:1-5**; 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: **1 Cor 12:4-11**; Gospel: **John 2:1-11**.

Psalm: **95(96):1-3,7-10: Proclaim the wonders of the Lord among all the peoples.**

**Alleluia, alleluia! Speak, Lord, your servant is listening: you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia! Is 3:9, Jn 6:68.**

## MASS DURING THE WEEK

Sat., 15 <sup>th</sup> Jan.	<b>+ 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YR C</b> <i>Divine Office, Wk 2</i>	<b>6.00pm</b>	
<b>Sun., 16<sup>th</sup> Jan, 2022.</b>		<b>9.30am (STM)</b>	
		<b>11.00am</b>	Parishioners
Mon. 17 <sup>th</sup> Jan.	<b>St Anthony Abbot</b>	7.00pm	John Davin. Bithday Thanksgiving
Tue., 18 <sup>th</sup> Jan.	<b>Feria</b>	9.30am	Private Intention
Wed., 19 <sup>th</sup> Jan.	<b>Feria</b>	9.30am	
Thur., 20 <sup>th</sup> Jan.	<b>Feria</b>	No Mass	No Mass
Fri., 21 <sup>ST</sup> Jan.	<b>St Agnes</b>	9.30am	
Sat., 22 <sup>nd</sup> Jan.	<b>+ 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME- YR C</b> <i>Divine Office, Wk 3</i>	<b>6.00pm</b>	
<b>Sun., 23<sup>rd</sup> Jan, 2022.</b>		<b>9.30am (STM)</b>	
		<b>11.00am</b>	

### ST PETER'S

<b>Sun., 16<sup>th</sup> JAN.</b>	<b>+ 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YR C</b> <i>Divine Office, Wk 2</i>	<b>9.00am</b>	Parishioners
		<b>11.00am</b>	Michael Bernard Goldsmith. RIP
		<b>2.00pm</b>	All Travellers, Living & Dead
		<b>6.00pm</b>	Franco Marino. RIP
Mon., 17 <sup>th</sup> Jan.	<b>St Anthony Abbot</b>	No Mas	No Mass
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		<b>11.00am</b>	Parishioners
		<b>2.00pm</b>	All Travellers
		<b>6.00pm</b>	

**SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:** Please pray for Ray Hussey, Clara Sakala, Sr Jo, Martina Knightly, 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

**APPRECIATION:** The Parish priest and the entire parish community wish to appreciate in a special way all those who volunteered in one category or another in the church during the course of this year. Those who made time to clean the church week after week, the readers, servers, hospitality, health and safety, counters, stewards, sacristan, members of the parish council and finance committee. Without your help, things would have worked out quite as they did. May God strengthen you to do even more in the coming year. Amen.

**GIFT AID:** The pandemic brought the world to its knees. 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.

**RECOLLECTION:** Evening of Recollection for women Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> January, 7-9pm at St Peters. This will be Led by Fr Nicholas Morrish. There will be two meditations, Benediction, and Confession. A good way to start the New Year.

**SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:** If you have a family member, neighbour, or know any parishioner who is sick and housebound and the name is not included in the list on the newsletter, inform the secretary or the priest asap. It has come to our notice that some people are missed in the communion visits and we would want this handled immediately.

**CREATE AND DONATE:** 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 in various parts of the world 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. (Great response so far; 70 hats achieved). **Lord you have need of my hands.**

**REPOSITORY SHOP:** The parish community is in search of a volunteer would manage the small repository shop where we have some articles of faith for parishioners and visitors to buy. Yvone Stephens have looked after the shop for a good while and would want someone to take over this responsibility. We thank her for the great service and look forward to a new person taking this on.

**YOUTH CLUB:** The Friday evening youth club programme is back on at St Peters, after the Christmas season. Presently, it is open to all children with the ages 8 to 12. Bring your kid and experience what is happening. You will be delighted you did. It starts 5pm and ends 6pm.

**STEWARDS:** We need new stewards to join those who have been helping since the start of the pandemic. We are not over the worst of the pandemic unfortunately. Thus, we need stewards who would ensure social distancing is maintained at all masses, ensure people wear masks before entering the church and while in church, except those who are exempt.

*Please, help 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 – WRC DT MARYCHURCH HATFIELD*

*Bank – HSBC*

*Sort Code – 40-05-20*

*Account Number – 41266217*

**THANK YOU**

**Baptism:** See Parish Priest.  
Preparation obligatory

**Confessions:**

**MC/STM:** Saturdays 5.30 – 5.50 and on request;  
**SP:** Saturdays 11am – 11:30 and on request.

**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.

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**MC/STM:** Wed - Fri.:  
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**SP:** Tue., Thur., Fri.: 9.30am-  
1.30pm

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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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