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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

+5TH SUNDAY, ORDINARY TIME-YR C

"Leave me, Lord; I am a sinful man." Lk. 5:8

Peter and his companions were completely overcome by the enormity of the catch they made after casting their net in obedience to Christ's word. This came after a whole night of futile toil. In the presence of such perfection and glory, Peter's uncleanness became more pronounced. This is reminiscent of Isaiah's reaction when he encountered the glory and Holiness of God (Is 6:3-8). His vision of the Triple-Holy God, seated upon the throne of glory in the Temple is a clear expression of the daunting otherness of the one whose glory feels the whole earth. Isaiah's reaction was one of acute awareness of his uncleanness which made him shrink away until he was purged by the cauterisation of his lips. Scripture is replete with indications that God looks at human worthiness differently. St Paul in his first letter to the Corinthians, (1Cor. 1:27) says that "God chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise; God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong. In Romans 8:30, St Paul also spoke of "those God predestined and called; those called are also justified and those justified are glorified". In Jesus' time, there were the highly educated priests and scribes in Jerusalem whom Jesus could have won over, men who could preach and instruct much more eloquently than Peter or any other apostle ever could. There were the highly educated and prestigiously positioned Roman officers in Palestine who would more readily command respect and following in the Gentile world. There were Greek philosophers whose very names would add great prestige to the Gospel movement had they been apostles. It is surprising from the perspective of world business standards that Christ chose none of these men. Unrestricted in his choice, Christ chose men from among the unknown and unlettered fishermen of Galilee. In selecting the Apostles, Christ established a new standard for Christian eloquence, personal prestige and suitability for God's honours. Every Christian, like every flower created by God carries a peculiar splendour which helps to accentuate the beauty of others beside it. Christian eloquence is carrying our crosses daily and patiently and offering a hand when needed.

READINGS AT SUNDAY MASS

1st Reading: **Isaiah. 6:1-2**, **3-8**; 2nd Reading: **1Cor. 15:1-11**; Gospel: **Lk. 5:1-11**.

Psalm: Ps 137(138):1-5,7-8: Before the angels I will bless you, O Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia! I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. Alleluia! John 15:15.

MASS DURING THE WEEK

Sat., 5 th Feb.	+ 5 TH SUNDAY IN	6.00pm		
Sun., 6 th Feb, ORDINARY TIME		9.30am (STM)		
2022.	Divine Office, Wk 1	11.00am	The Beach Family	
Mon. 7 th Feb.	Feria	7.00pm	Special Intention	
Tue., 8th Feb.	Feria	9.30am	Deidre Creighton. RIP	
Wed., 9th Feb.	Feria	9.30am	Elizabeth Hogan. RIP	
Thur., 10 th Feb.	St Scholastica	No Mass	No Mass	
Fri., 11 th Feb.	Feria	9.30am		
Sat., 12 th Feb.	+ 6 TH SUNDAY IN	6.00pm		
	ORDINARY TIME-	9.30am		
Sun., 13 th Feb, 2022.	YR C Divine Office, Wk 2	(STM)		
		11.00am	Ruth & Kevin Herbkersman	

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Sun., 6 th Feb,	+ 5 TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YR C Divine Office, Wk 1	9.00am	Tomas Kisa. RIP	
		11.00am	All children	
2022.		2.00pm		
		6.00pm		
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Sun., 13 th Feb, 2022.	+ 6 TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME- YR C Divine Office, Wk 2	9.00am	John Davin's Intention	
		11.00am	Sunanda Senanayake. RIP	
		2.00pm	All Travellers	
		6.00pm		

<u>SICK AND HOUSEBOUND</u>: 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

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.

THE ANNUAL MASS in honour of Our Lady of Lourdes on the World Day of the Sick will take place at 2pm on Saturday 12th February in Westminster Cathedral. The decision has been taken that this year the Sacrament of the Sick will not be administered. We are pleased to let you know that the Mass will be livestreamed on the Cathedral's livestream, which can be accessed at www.westminstercathedral.org.uk or https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCXx0dFI8GV5 D9DSZo46ox6O.

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 whould 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 responsility. We thank her for the great service and look forward to a new person taking this on.

YOUTH CLUB: The Youth Group in St Peters is back up and running every Friday from 5 to 6pm for children aged 8 to 12 years old. Games, crafts and drama to suit all children. For more inquiries, please conract Caroline on 0.7557819858.

'COME AND CELEBRATE the FEAST OF THE ANNUNCIATION 25 MARCH on a Pilgrimage to WALSINGHAM by coach from St Albans. Holy Mass in Walsingham at 12noon will be celebrated by the Bishop of East Anglia, Alan Hopes, followed by a visit to the Slipper Chapel and a walk along the Holy Mile to the Priory, the original site of the holy house requested by Our Lady in 1061. The cost is £25 and £5 for To book or for further info please contact Rosemary Roscoe 07723 546642 rosemary.roscoe@gmail.com Margaret Leahv: margleahy@gmail.com 01727 763832.

"FIRE MARSHAL TRAINING.

Tuesday 15th February 7pm in the hall. If you would like to help in the event of a fire emergency please attend the training. 18+ Advantage of having this training is useful extra for your CV! Contact Jemma email: Jemimajean66@gmail.com.

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 – WRCDT 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

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.

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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