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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

+SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT-YR C

ARCHBISHOP'S HOUSE, WESTMINSTER, LONDON, SW1P 1QJ Pastoral Letter for the Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time 26/27 February 2022.

Lent is the time to reset our patterns so that there is time for God in our hearts and in our weekly routines. You know well that the highest form of prayer is the celebration of the Eucharist. It is here, above all other places, that the Lord wishes to fill us with his gifts, so that we, in turn, can offer those gifts to others. And then, when we give that which we have received, we bring this precious light of Christ into our world. He is the best antidote to the darkness of the pandemic, to the loneliness it has brought, to the lack of clear hope for the future, to the deep weariness and unexpressed resentment that has entered into the souls of so many. So, please, do what you can to invite those who are missing to come with you to be part of this great family of faith at prayer. If each of you can give a word of encouragement to one other person, to one other family, then the reward will be great. Then we can journey together to Easter. There we proclaim again that Jesus alone has mastered death, that he alone is the Lord of life, that he is now among us and calling us to come to meet him here, in this House of God, in this Gate of Heaven. I thank you again for your presence here today. I thank you for

I thank you again for your presence here today. I thank you for all that you will do in response to this request and I ask God's blessing on the words that you will speak. Remember the words of St Paul that we have just heard: 'Keep on working at the Lord's work always, knowing that, in the Lord, you cannot be labouring in vain' (1Cor. 15:58). Pease continue in your prayer for peace in Ukraine. We cry out: No more war, no more violence! And remember me in your prayers as I will remember you, the faithful people of God! Yours devotedly, X Cardinal Vincent Nichols. Archbishop of Westminster.

READINGS AT SUNDAY MASS

1st Reading: Gen 15:5-12,17-18; 2nd Reading: Phil. 3:17-4:1; Gospel:Lk. 9:28-36

Psalm: Ps 26(27); 1,7-9,13-14: The Lord is my light and my help.

Praise to you, O Christ, King of Eternal glory! From the the bright cloud the father's voice was heard: 'This is my son, the Beloved. Listen to him'. Praise to you ... Mt 7:5.

MASS DURING THE WEEK

Sat., 12 th March.	+ 2ND SUNDAY OF	6.00pm	James Casey. RIP
Sun., 13 th	LENT-YR C Divine Office, Wk 2	9.30am (STM)	Winifred Hannon
March, 2022.	Divine Office, WK 2	11.00am	Ruth & Kevin Herbkersman
Mon.14 th Mch.	Feria	7.00pm	
Tue., 15th Mch.	Feria	9.30am	
Wed.,16 th Mch.	Feria	9.30am	
Thur17 th Mch.	St Patrick	No Mass	No Mass
Fri.,18th Mch.	Feria	9.30am	
Sat., 19 th March.	+THIRD SUNDAY	6.00pm	
Sun., 20 th March, 2022.	OF LENT-YR C Divine Office, Wk 3	9.30am (STM) 11.00am	

St Peter's

Sun., 13 th March, 2022.	+ 2ND SUNDAY OF LENT-YR C Divine Office, Wk 2	9.00am	All Parishioners
		11.00am	Peace in Ukraine
		2.00pm	All Travellers
		6.00pm	Students Welfare
Mon., 14th Mch.	Feria	No Mas	No Mass
Tue., 15th Mch.	Feria	9.30am	James Luis Baron. RIP (Btday)
Wed., 16 th Mch.	Feria	12.30am	Mary Marron. RIP (Funeral)
Thur.17 th Mch.	St Patrick	7.00pm	Isaiah Khan Ndi. RIP
Fri.,18 th Mch.	Feria	9.30am	Isaiah Khan Ndi. RIP
Sat.,19 th Mch.	St Joseph	10.30am	Francis & Antonia Loh's Intentions
Sun., 20 th March, 2022.	+ 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT-YR C Divine Office, Wk 3	9.00am	
		11.00am	Chinedu Joshua Onuchukwu. Bd
		2.00pm	
		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, Michael MacPherson, Maria Campbell, Christine Donnelly, Paul Donnelly and Ruth Emery.

NOTICE

APPEAL FOR UKRAINE: Meeting in London, today, 4th March 2022, the Presidents and Vice-Presidents of the Catholic

Bishops' Conferences of England and Wales, Ireland, and Scotland said:

In the face of the shocking loss of life, bloodshed, displacement of people and destruction of property in Ukraine, we make these heartfelt appeals.

We ask our Catholic communities to sustain the prayer and self-denial of Lent as a constant offering to God, begging for an end to this pointless violence. We ask our fellow Christians everywhere, including Patriarch Kirill and all in the Russian Orthodox Church, to join in solidarity with us in daily spiritual

and practical efforts for a ceasefire, for humanitarian outreach and the silencing and laying down of weapons.

We ask all who have an instinct for God to raise their hearts and minds in prayer for peace.

We urge everyone to open their hearts and respond generously to the many appeals for help and support for all who are fleeing their homeland. We call on the UK and Irish governments to offer an open and generous welcome to those who seek refuge in the face of this warfare.

Cardinal Vincent Nichols, Archbishop Eamon Martin, Bishop Hugh Gilbert,

Archbishop Malcolm McMahon, Archbishop Dermot Farrell, Bishop John Keenan.

The Parish will take a collection to this effect this weekend. In the meantime, drop off any donations such as medical supplies, winter clothings and others. We shall send them to the Ukraine Chaplaincy in London asap.

ST PETER'S & MARYCHURCH is offering the young people in our church a chance for them to get together and enjoy the company of similar age kids to enjoy fun activities, learn new skills and be part of a vibrant community. Youth Groups run every Friday at St. Peter's Church Hall – ages 8 to 11 at 5 to 6 p.m. and 12 to 16 years old from 6.30 to 7.30 p.m. Just £2 entry fee and tuck shop available.

"EVENING OF RECOLLECTION FOR

MEN: On Wednesday 23rd March from 7 p.m. - 9 p.m. there will be an evening of recollection for men at Holy Family Church, 194 Knightsfield, Welwyn Garden City, AL8 7RQ. This will include meditations given by a

priest plus an opportunity for confession. Call 07814 009039 for more details."

THE SOCIETY OF FRIENDS of Westminster Cathedral is seeking to recruit a part time Organising Secretary to help administer the charity, assist in recruiting new members and in organising events. The appointment based in Westminster Cathedral Clergy House is for 20 hours per week at a salary in the region of £14,500 per annum. The appointment is for 12 months. Closing date 27 March 2022. For further details please visit https://westminstercathedral.org.uk/the-friends-seek-an-organising-secretary/.

CAFOD Fast Day Friday 11 March. We are encouraging everyone to eat simply and give what they save so more children can grow up big and strong because no child should go hungry. There will be a short talk after masses on 5/6 March and a second collection on 12/13 March. To be able to cover all masses and dates we are looking for some help. If you are able to help, please contact Mary Crummey on 07546421954ormarycrummey@hotmail.co.uk

LENTEN HEALING SERVICE: Join us as we undertake a Lenten retreat and prayer to prepare to commemorate the Lord's Passion and the celebration of His victory over death at Easter. We shall gather in the Church every Friday for the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Stations of the Cross, Talk on relevant Lenten topics and Benediction. The programme will last for an hour every Wednesday (6:30 – 7:30). Submit your prayer intentions to be prayed for during this time. Our hope is that this retreat will help us to intentionally work on our prayer lives.

MONTHLY OFFERTORY - January 2022 Envelopes - £969.55; Standing Orders & Online - £1,336.37; Loose Plate & Contactless - £1,628.18; General Donations -£450.00. TOTAL - £4,384.10 Many thanks for your generous support. 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:

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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.

Sacred Heart Novena:

MC, SP: Suspended for now.

Rosarv: 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.

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