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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

+DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY-YR C

"I shall sing forever the Lord's mercy." (Ps 89 [88]) This Sunday is popularly known as Mercy of God Sunday. Between 1930 and 1938 Christ appeared to Sister Faustina, a Sister of Mercy in Poland who initiated the Divine Mercy devotion. She was canonized on April 30, 2000, the Sunday after Easter, the Feast of Divine Mercy. On Good Friday, 1937, Jesus requested that Blessed Faustina make a special novena before the Feast of Mercy, from Good Friday through the following Saturday. Jesus also asked that a picture be painted according to the vision of Himself as the fountain of mercy. He gave her a chaplet to be recited and said that it was appropriate to pray the chaplet at three o'clock each afternoon (the Hour of Great Mercy). The Holy Gospel that the Liturgy presents to us on this second Sunday of Easter, is one of the most well-known, discussed, and appreciated—the meeting of the Risen Lord with St Thomas. Jesus' response to Thomas, after he recognized Him as *'My Lord and my God'*, has a mysterious fascination that must relate not so much to the disciples—those who *'have seen'*—but rather to those, like us, who were added to their number afterwards. *'You have come to believe because you have seen me. Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed.'* (Jn 20:29). The mercy of God is shown to Thomas in this meeting, but also extended to us who would come after. Like Thomas, Christ calls us to fill the holes left by the instruments of the passion in His Body with our own hands so that our lives and the verbal witness that we give proclaim His Resurrection. Our senses could betray us, but we know that we have met the Risen One and we have recognized Him! May the Mercy of God heal our world from the so many evils that bedevils it. Amen.

READINGS AT SUNDAY MASS

1st Reading: Acts 5:12-16; 2nd Reading: Apocalypse 1:9-13, 17-19 ; Gospel: John 20:19-31.
 Psalm: Ps 117(1180:2-4, 22-27: *Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love is without end. Alleluia! Alleluia!! Jesus said: 'You believe because you can see. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.'* Alleluia! JN 20:29.

MASS DURING THE WEEK

Sat., 23 rd April.	+ DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY-YR C <i>Divine Office, Wk 2</i>	6.00pm	Parishioners
Sun., 24th April, 2022.		9.30am (STM)	Chery & graham Williams
		11.00am	Special Intention
Mon., 25 th April.	St Mark	7.00pm	Doris Thomas. RIP
Tue., 26 th April.	St George	9.30am	Peace in Ukraine
Wed., 27 th April.	Feria	9.30am	
Thur., 28 th April.	Feria	No Mass	
Fri., 29 th April.	St Catherine of Siena	9.30am	
Sat., 30 th April.	+ 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER <i>Divine Office, Wk 3</i>	6.00pm	John Kelly. RIP
Sun., 1st MAY, 2022.		9.30am (STM)	Stm Parishioners
		11.00am	Rachel Brooke. Peace of Mind

St Peter's

Sun., 24TH April, 2022.	+ DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY-YR C <i>Divine Office, Wk 2</i>	9.00am	John Davin. RIP
		11.00am	Maureen+Gerry+Tom Kelly. RIP
		2.00pm	John McDonald. Rip & AT
		6.00pm	
Mon., 25 th April.	ST Mark	No Mas	No Mass
Tue., 26 th April.	St George	9.30am	Eileen McManus. RIP
Wed., 27 th April.	Feria	9.30am	Arnolfo & Eduardo Rentuma. RIP
Thur., 28 th April.	Feria	7.00pm	Arnolfo & Eduardo Rentuma. RIP
Fri., 29 th April.	St Catherine of Siena	9.30am	John Davin. RIP
Sat. 30 th April.	Feria	10.30am	Flordeliza Rentuma Uargo. RIP
Sun., 1st May, 2022.	+ 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER <i>Divine Office, Wk 3</i>	9.00am	John Davin. RIP
		11.00am	Andrew Penman. RIP
		2.00pm	Casey & Delaney Family
		6.00pm	

SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: Please pray for Clara Sakala, Sr Jo, Martina Knightly, Anne Owens, Joyce Davies, Josie Ashwell, Maudy Tapfumaneyi, Katie Shannon, Michael MacPherson, Maria Campbell, Christine Donnelly, Paul Donnelly, Ruth Emery, Ella Russell and Yvonne Stephens.

NOTICE

MARYCHURCH & ST PETERS 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.

May Procession at the Shrine of Our Lady of Willesden, Nicoll Road, NW109AX.

Sunday 8th May at 3pm. Preacher, Most Rev Kenneth Nowakowski; Eparch of the Holy Family of London (Ukrainian Catholic Church), who will be accompanied by the Icon of the Mother of Protection- Pokrova. Come and join the praying of the Rosary for asking the prayers of the Black Madonna of Willesden for the protection of London, and for Peace and Restoration in Ukraine. Bakerloo Line & Tube, Willesden Junction Station (Old Oak Lane exit), Buses 18, 187, 206, 226, 228, 260, 487.

UKRAINE: WHAT WE CAN DO

The shocking news from Ukraine continues to distress and cause anxiety. Although we are 1500 miles from Kyiv and may feel hopeless, we can still help. Here are ideas for us from our Diocese's Justice & Peace network:

- Pray every day for peace and all those affected: at home, at school, on the bus and of course at Mass
- Donate: CAFOD and Caritas are grateful for all contributions and particularly welcome money rather than goods because it can be targeted

at key needs, it doesn't need sorting or transport and can be Gift Aided <https://cafod.org.uk/News/Emergencies-news/Ukraine-crisis>

- Write to our MP to ask the Government to support people fleeing from Ukraine: Rt Hon Grant Shapps, House of Commons, London SW1 0AA or email shappsg@parliament.uk
- Pope Francis says our hearts must not be closed to refugees. We can support those already in Hertfordshire who have fled perils in other countries: Herts Welcomes Refugees has volunteer opportunities here <https://www.hwsf.org.uk/>

MONTHLY OFFERTORY - February 2022

Envelopes - £711.20; Standing Orders & Online - £1,436.37; Loose Plate & Contactless - £658.37; General Donations - £370.00. TOTAL - £3,176.04
Many thanks for your generous support.

WE ARE AT THE END of a tax year 2021/2022. If you no longer pay income tax, please let us know. If we could claim the tax you paid while earning the offertory you have given to the church, please ask for a Gift Aid Declaration form to be sent to you.

HAPPY EASTER AND STAY BLESSED

YOU CAN NOW MAKE YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE PARISH DIRECTLY TO THE PARISH

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

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.

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Thank You.

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.org.uk

SP: Nonso Ijezie, and Eric
Chiejina; Ph: **07402030680;**
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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.*

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