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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, Iiving 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



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

+PENTECOST SUNDAY

PENTECOST. Following the ascension of Jesus into heaven from Mt. Olivet, the apostles and disciples returned to the Holy City. They remained together in the Upper Room or Cenacle, the place where Jesus had appeared to them and which may well be called the first Christian church. About a hundred and twenty persons were assembled there. They chose Matthias as an apostle in place of the unhappy Judas; they prayed and waited for the Paraclete. Ten days had passed, it was Sunday, the seventh Sunday after the resurrection. At about nine o'clock in the morning, as they were together praying fervently, the Holy Spirit descended upon them (Acts 2:1-5). Note how all the great theophanies in Christ's life occurred during the course of prayer. After His baptism, for instance, when Jesus was praying the heavens opened and the Holy Spirit descended in the form of a dove (Lk.3:22); likewise, it was during prayer at night that the transfiguration took place on Tabor (Mtt. 17:1-9, Mk. 9:2-10, Lk. 9:28-36). Surely too it was while Mary was praying that Gabriel delivered his message, and the Holy Spirit overshadowed her (Lk.1:26-38). Pentecost followed this precedent. The small community of Christians had prepared themselves through prayer for the coming of the Paraclete. The same is true at Mass today, every day; through prayer we ready our souls for the advent of the Spirit.

This coming of the Paraclete became the inauguration of the church and which has kept it on her course. What this means to every member of the church therefore, is a call to grow in the understanding of the truth about Christ and to proclaim it to the world in the clearest of terms. According to St Francis of Assisi, the easiest way to fulfil this prophetic obligation is through a life of virtue. May the Holy Spirit inspire us into a renewed virtuous living. Amen.

READINGS AT SUNDAY MASS

1stReading: Acts 2:1-11; 2ndReading: Romans 8:8-17 Gospel: John 14:15-16,23-26. Psalm: Ps 103(104):1,24,29-31,34: Send forth your spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth. Alleluia! Alleluia!! Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in the them the fire of your of Love. Alleluia!

| Sat., 4 TH June. | + PENTECOST SUNDAY Divine Office, Wk 2 | 6.00pm | Ron & Doris Thomas. RIP |
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| Sun., 5 JUNE, 2022. | | 9.30am (STM) 11.00am | Marychurch Parishioners |
| Mon., 6 th June. | Mary Mother of Ch | 7.00pm | |
| Tue., 7 th June. | Feria | 9.30am | |
| Wed.8 th June. | Feria | 9.30am | |
| Thur.,9 th June. | Jesus, Eternal H Priest | No Mass | |
| Fri., 10 th June. | Feria | 9.30am | |
| Sat., 11 th June. | | 6.00pm | Private Intention |
| Sun., 12 th | + HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY Divine Office, Wk 3 | 9.30am (STM) | STM Parishioners |
| JUNE, 2022. | | 11.00am | Fr Stuart Gullan Steal's intention |

MASS DURING THE WEEK

St Peter's

| Sun., 5 JUNE, 2022. | + PENTECOST SUNDAY Divine Office, Wk 2 | 9.00am | |
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| | | 11.00am | RAJEEV Johnsons intention |
| | | 2.00pm | All Travelers. Living and dead. |
| | | 6.00pm | |
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| Fri., 10 th June. | Feria | 9.30am | |
| Sat. 11 th June. | St Barnabas | 10.30am | |
| Sun., 12 th JUNE, 2022. | + HOLY TRINIITY SUNDAY Divine Office, Wk 3 | 9.00am | |
| | | 11.00am | Laura Ahran. RIP |
| | | 2.00pm | All Travelers. Living & Dead. |
| | | 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.

WAYS TO SUPPORT THE PARISH:

DIRECT DEBIT: We encourage you to use direct debit. It is very easy, fast and secure. Here is our Account Details:

Act Name: WRCDT Hatfield

Sort Code - 40-05-20.

Account Number – 81094602 Normal plate Collection: Cash or Cheque. Free-Will Giving or Legacy in memory of loved ones.

PARISH ANNIVERSARY: 5TH JUNE.

Today, the 5th of June, Pentecost Sunday is also the day that marks the anniversary of the Marychurch Parish. We are planning a huge party of thankgiving and fundraising after mass on the day. There will be barbecue, stalls for different crafts, face painting for children, and a few other fun stuff. Volunteers are neded to be incharge of these functions on the day. Interested persons should give your name to Gillian Sutton or the priests. Please do not walk straight home after this mass. Stay and celebrate the day with other parishioners.

DONATIONS FOR FLOWERS: For good reasons, we skiped the donations for flowers at easter. However, to continue to adorn the altar with some beautiful flowers, we need some support. Please consider making a donations for flower, in preparation for parish feast

CHILDREN'S JUBILEE PARTY: On Friday, 3rd June the Youth Group Leaders hosted a Children's Jubilee Party from 5 p.m. It was a huge a success and we say a huge thank you to the organizers and the parents who brought their kids to this event.

SILVER JUBILLEE OF FR AGBOR: Please for your Diary. On the 8th of July, there will a 7pm mass at St peters Church to commemorate Fr Agbor's Silver Jubille of Priestly Ordination. A reception/Party will follow in the hall after the mass. May we make this a date to celebrate our Parish Priest.

SUSPENDED PIOUS SOCIETY PRAYERS: All previously suspended pious societies have resumed their programmes. Members are adviced to re-establish communication and plan their meetings.

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 <u>us</u> 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 <u>https://cafod.org.uk/News/Emergenci</u> <u>es-news/Ukraine-crisis</u>
- 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 <u>shappsg@parliament.uk</u>
- 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 <u>https://www.hwsf.org.uk/</u>

MONTHLY OFFERTORY - March 2022

Envelopes - £732.00; Standing Orders & Online - £1,351.37; Loose Plate & Contactless - £1,266.37; General Donations -£370.00. TOTAL - £3,719.74 **Total Income and Expenditure. First Quarter**=1Jan to 31 March, 2022. Indome= 15,913.97; Expe. = 11,950.24. Surplus = £3,963.73 Many thanks for your generous support.

SYNODAL PATHWAY: The Diocesan report has been published on the website. You can view it via this link: https://rcdow.org.uk/synod/westminster-diocesebishops-synod-report/. **<u>Baptism</u>:** 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: Volunteer Needed, 01707 262439; Email: hatfieldsg@safeguardrcdow.o rg.uk

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<u>Planned Giving</u>: 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: Thursday after mass.

<u>Rosary</u>: MC/STM: Wednesday & Friday after mass.

SP: Wednesday after mass.

Novena to Our Lady of <u>Perpetual Succour</u>: Tuesday after mass in both parishes.

Christian Meditation: MC: Suspended presently.

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

<u>Tea & Coffee</u>: 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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