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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

+15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME. C.

The **Gospel** is from *St. Luke 10:25-37* and tells the parable of the good Samaritan. This passage is two-pronged. While providing a powerful lesson about mercy toward those in need, it also proclaims that non-Jews can observe the Law and thus enter into eternal life. Following other Fathers, St Augustine (*De verbis Domini sermones*, 37) identifies the good Samaritan with our Lord, and the waylaid man with Adam, the source and symbol of all fallen mankind. Moved by compassion and piety, he comes down to earth to cure man's wounds, making them his own (Is 53:4; Mt 8:17; 1 Pet 2:24; 1 Jn 3:5). In fact, we often see Jesus being moved by man's suffering (cf. Mt 9:36; Mk 1:41; Lk 7:13). And St John says: "in this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the expiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another" (1 Jn 4:9-11).

This parable leaves no doubt about who our neighbour is — anyone (without distinction of race or relationship) who needs our help; nor about how we should love him — by taking pity on him, being compassionate towards his spiritual or corporal needs; and it is not just a matter of having the right feelings towards him: we must do something, we must generously serve him. Christians, who should be disciples of Christ, should share his love and compassion, never distancing themselves from others' needs. One way to express love for one's neighbor is to perform the "works of mercy," which get their name from the fact that they are not duties in justice. There are fourteen such works, seven spiritual and seven corporal works of mercy which we are very familiar with. May God grant us the grace to remain steadfast in carrying out these works.

READINGS AT SUNDAY MASS

1stReading: **Deut. 30:10-14**; 2ndReading: **Colosians1:15-20** Gospel: **Luke 10:25-37**.
 Psalm: **Ps 68(69):14-37**: *Seek the Lord, you who are poor, and your heart will revive.*
Alleluia! Alleluia!! The sheep that belongs to me listen to my voice, says the Lord, I know them and they follow me. Alleluia! John 10:27.

MASS DURING THE WEEK

Sat., 11 th July.	+ 15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME <i>Divine Office, Wk 3</i>	6.00pm	Kitty Creighton. RIP
Sun., 10 JULY, 2022.		9.30am (STM)	STM Parishioners
		11.00am	Doris Thomas. RIP
Mon., 11 th July.	St Benedict	7.00pm	Cam O'Connor
Tue., 12 th June.	Feria	9.30am	George & Kathleen Rhine. RIP
Wed. 13 th June.	Feria	9.30am	Ruth & Kevin Herbkersman
Thur., 14 th June.	Feria	No Mass	No Mass
Fri., 15 th July.	St Bonaventure	9.30am	Dorothy & Ernest Davies. RIP
Sat., 16 th July.	+ 16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME <i>Divine Office, Wk 4</i>	6.00pm	Margaret & Arthur Grove. RIP
Sun., 17th July, 2022.		9.30am (STM)	STM Parishioners
		11.00am	Murray Bruce Family Thanksgiving

St Peter's

Sun., 10 JULY, 2022.	+ 15TH SUNDAY <i>Divine Office, Wk 3</i>	9.00am	Ann Dunkley's intention (Bday)
		11.00am	Johnny McGing. RIP
		2.00pm	All Travelers. Living and Dead.
		6.00pm	
Mon., 11 th July.	St Benedict	No Mas	No Mass
Tue., 12 th July.	Feria	10.30am	Funeral of Celine
Wed., 13 th July.	Feria	9.30am	Jose Labalan. RIP
Thur., 14 th July.	Feria	7.00pm	Madeline Buckley. RIP
Fri., 15 th July.	St Bonaventure	9.30am	Donie Dunne's intention
Sat. 16 th July.	Feria	10.30am	
Sun., 17th July, 2022.	+ 16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME <i>Divine Office, Wk 4</i>	9.00am	Ann Dunkley
		11.00am	
		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.

NOTICES

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.

APPRECIATION: Fr Agbor wishes to express his profound gratitude to all the parishioners who went out of their way to make the silver Jubilee celebration a memorable event, the planning committee and all. We are all witnesses to the fact that it was a great event. For all the resources deployed to see it so successful, thank you sounds inadequate but for want of words. May almighty God reward you abundantly. Amen.

Will You take the first Step?

CAFOD's Gap year programme, Step into the Gap is a great opportunity for Young Adults aged between 18-30 to immerse themselves in interactive experiences, develop leadership skills while exploring their faith, and meeting new people.

This is a chance to reflect on your role in global society while spending a year inspiring others to act for the poor and most marginalised. Based in the UK in a retreat centre or Catholic Secondary school with accommodation, travel and stipend included. Take the first step and find out more information and how to apply for September 2022 go to cafod.org.uk/gapyear.

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
Note: Only cash donations are accepted henceforth. Materials are said to be next to impossible to convey.

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2023 – LOOKING TO LISBON

World Youth Day 2023 will take place in Lisbon in the beginning of August 2023. Diocese of Westminster Youth Ministry with support from Cardinal's Appeal is offering a limited number of places on this pilgrimage with a 50% discount to young people between the ages of 16-25. Any 16 year olds who apply will need to be finishing year 12 by the start of World Youth Day pilgrimage. These young people will commit to a series of preparatory sessions from September 2022, to prepare them to assist in support roles during the pilgrimage, such as by acting as small group leaders, and also offer formation to them which will be helpful in living their faith post-World Youth Day. More details can be found at <https://dowym.com/programmes/world-youth-day-leadership-training/> or by contacting Westminster Youth Ministry at youth@rcdow.org.uk. Please apply by 31 July 2022.

RECYCLING: Ink Cartridges-Recycling for CAFOD is restarting. Please leave used and unwanted cartridges in the right hand cupboard at the back of Marychurch. 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: Thursday after mass.

Rosary: MC/STM:

Wednesday & Friday after mass.

SP: Wednesday after mass.

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour:

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

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 -

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

Parish Office:

MC/STM: Wed - Fri.:

8.30am - 1.30pm;

SP: Tue., Thur., Fri.: 9.30am-

1.30pm

Safeguarding Officer:

MC/STM: Recruitment process, **01707 262439**; Email:

hatfieldsg@safeguardrcdow.org.uk

SP: Nonso Ijezie, and Eric

Chiejina; Ph: **07402030680**

&07717578052 ; Email:

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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