

WEEKLY	MARYCHURCH/STM		ST PETER'S	
Sat 01/10	6.00pm		10.30am	Lyn Savage Birthday
Sun 02/10	9.30am STM  11.00am	Parishioners	9.00am 11.00am 2.00pm 6.00pm	R & P Beaumont Titus Ngum RIP All travellers living and dead
Mon 03/10	7.00pm	Bill Watson RIP		No Mass
Tue 04/10	9.30am	Jocelyn Watson	10.05am	
Wed 05/10	9.30am		10.05am	
Thu 06/10		No Mass		
Fri 07/10	9.30am		10.05am	Theresa Clements Anni
Sat 08/10	6.00pm		10.30am	Andrew Small RIP
Next Sunday Readings: 1 Kings 5:14-17 2. St Paul to Timothy 2:8-13 Gospel: Luke 17:11-19				

#### IMPORTANT PARISH INFORMATION

**INFANT BAPTISM:** Contact parish clergy. Preparation with the catechist is an obligation.  
**SP: Last Sunday of each Month. MC: Second Sunday of each Month.**

**MARRIAGE:** Contact Parish Clergy, 6 months notice is required to allow time for preparation and paper works.

**CONFESSIONS:** MC = Saturday: 5.30–5.50pm. SP: Saturday 11-11.30am (and by appointment for both parishes).

**DEVOTIONS:** Sacred Heart Novena: MC: Friday during adoration, SP = Friday after mass.

Rosary MC: Wed after mass. SP: Wed after mass. Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour:

MC & SP = Tues after mass. **FATIMA ROSARY:** Contact Lucia Federici on: 07933436387

**HATFIELD SVP:** Contact = 07960785673

**CATHOLIC HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY LISTER:** John O'Neil: 01438285518.

**TEA & COFFEE:** After 11am Mass on Sunday at both parishes.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY:** MC = On hold. SP = After 11am mass. Except 1st Sunday when there is **CHILDREN'S MASS.**

**MORNING PRAYER:** SP = 9.10am before morning mass Tues, Wed and Fri.

*Holy Father's intention for the month of October: A Church open to everyone. We pray for the Church; ever faithful to and courageous in preaching the Gospel, may the Church be a community of solidarity, fraternity and welcome, always living in an atmosphere of synodality.*



## The Roman Catholic Diocese Of Westminster

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*+ 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Yr C.*

**READINGS: 1. Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4; 2. St Paul to Timothy 1:6-8.13-14; Gospel Luke 17:5-10 . Psalm: Ps 94:1-2.6-9. *O that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts. Alleluia! Alleluia!! Speak, Lord, your servant is listening: you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!***

**REFLECTION:** Increase our faith. Today's Gospel is part of a larger unit of sayings (7:1-10) that concludes the second phase of Jesus' journey to Jerusalem in Luke (13:22-17:10). In the sayings immediately preceding this text, Jesus cautions his disciples not to be the reason for others to take offense at the gospel message (7:10; 7:23). He also gives counsel on how to deal with a fellow disciple who sins: that person is to be rebuked, and if repentance follows, this same person is to be forgiven – even if forgiveness is needed again and again (17:3-4). Given the challenging nature of these sayings, and the rest of what Jesus has to say about following him, it is not surprising that the disciples appeal to Jesus:

"Increase our faith!" (17:5). Elsewhere Jesus has described what it means to follow him in exacting terms. To a would-be follower, he cautions that the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head. To those who want to follow him but first take care of family matters, he says that they need to keep the kingdom of God as their first priority without wavering or looking back (9:57-62). To the request to increase their faith, Jesus makes a point that they have all the faith they need. He seemed to say; you will grow in faith as you act in faith. Every gift of God is strengthened by the exercise of it, and this is true of faith. One word of caution: Just as the ordinary foot soldier sees too little to know how well or badly the battle is going, the ordinary Christian also has limited vision. The early Christians who were dying on crosses alongside the roads or in the Coliseum were acting in faith, and some may have felt that God had betrayed their faith. We can now see that their blood was not shed in vain, but instead became the manure that promoted the church's strong growth. Faith means believing even when the outcome seems in doubt.

**"I shall do everything for heaven, my true home." - St Bernadette of Lourdes**



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**SICK OR 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, Yvonne Stephens and Remi Clarke.



**NOTICES AND EVENTS**

**MC: COFFEE MORNINGS:** Sundays after 11am mass and Wednesdays after morning Mass 9.30am-12.00. Lord you have need of my hands...coffee, natter, create, care and plant club etc. Please support Father and the ladies that make the tea. Get to know people and what's happening in your parish.

**FIRST CONFESSION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:** Application forms for the 2022/23 Communion Programme are available at the back of the Churches. The programme will start in October and more information will be provided nearer the time. If you wish to discuss any aspect of the programme please contact Linda Graham or Corine Cornelius.

**SPECIAL NOTICE:** Dear Parishioners, For practical reasons, the priest to take over from Fr Francis, has not been given a visa to come to the UK. In addition, I will be away, both for a holiday and for a function in our MSP headquarters in Nigeria. I am away from Tuesday 20th September to return on Monday 31st October. In my absence, Fr Francis will be in charge of both Parishes. Please pray for me, as I will, for you. Blessings on you all. Fr Agbor, MSP.

**OPEN EVENINGS FOR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS:** Loreto's College - Tuesday 27th September 2022 from 6pm to 9pm. Mrs Maire Lynch, Headteacher, will address parents at 6.15pm, 7.15pm and 8.15pm.  
 The Saint John Henry Newman School - Thursday 29th September 2022 from 5.30pm to 7.30pm. Mr Clive Mathew, Headteacher, will address parents at 6.30pm and 7.30pm.  
 Nicholas Breakspear - Thursday 6th October 2022 from 5.30pm to 8.30pm. Mr Declan Linane, Headteacher, will address parents at 5.45pm, 6.45pm and 7.45pm.

**MC: RECYCLING:** Ink cartridges recycling for CAFOD continues. Please leave used and unwanted cartridges in the right hand cupboard at the back of Marychurch. Thank you.

**MC/STM: WAYS TO SUPPORT OUR PARISH:** Direct Debit is very easy, fast and secure. Our Account Details: Acct Name: **WRCDT Hatfield**. Sort Code - 40-05-20. Acct Number: 41266217. We accept regular plate Giving in Cash or Cheque. Thank you for Donations or Legacy in memory of your loved ones.



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**SICK OR HOUSEBOUND:** Please pray for Pat Martin, Cathy Ryan, Jack Cook, Edwin Levy, Lenora Mashumba.



**SP: REPOSITORY SHOP:** New stock has arrived of statues, crucifixes, rosaries and Communion gifts - please pop in and pay a visit. You can now make payment with card for items purchased.

**SP: CHURCH CLEANING:** = Roshan, Gami and Audrey

**SP: FLOWERS:** Mary, Pauline and Theresa

**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY WITHIN THE PARISH:** We are looking to appoint a part time Maintenance person, based primarily at St Peter's Church. Please speak to Father Agbor or Father Francis for further information.

**YOUTH CLUB:** The Parish Youth Club for ages 8 - 11 continues on Fridays at 5pm. Entry fee is £2 with a tuck shop available, fun, games and entertainment for all. More information about the older Youth Club will be posted in the coming weeks.

**SAINT BERNADETTE RELIC TOUR 2022:** The Relics of Saint Bernadette of Lourdes are visiting England, Wales and Scotland this Autumn. They will be at St Joseph's Church, Bedwell Crescent, Stevenage, SG1 1NJ on Monday 17th and Tuesday 18th October 2022. For more information, please speak to the Parish Clergy or visit [stbernadette.org.uk](http://stbernadette.org.uk).

**MOSAIC MAGAZINE:** The Mosaic magazine is produced by the Diocese to inform people how their generous donations are used across the Diocese. It highlights the many projects and events that have taken place across the Diocese over the past few months, showcasing how clergy, volunteers and staff are putting their faith into action. Articles focus on a range of topics, from the work of Westminster Youth Ministry to priestly ordinations. The magazine is at the back of the church, please take a copy home.

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