

WEEKLY	MARYCHURCH/STM		ST PETER'S	
Sat 26/11	11.00am 6.00pm	Volunteers' Mass Parishioners		No Mass
Sun 27/11	9.30 am STM  11.00am	Beckett & Mulholland Family RIP  Irfan Ahmed RIP	9.00am 11.00am 2.00pm 6.00pm	Alba Leccacorvi (Healing) All travellers living and dead
Mon 28/11	7.00pm	Emily & George Waterman RIP		No Mass
Tue 29/11	9.00am		9.00am	
Wed 30/11	9.30am	Mary O'Boy's Intention	9.30am	Anthony & Helen Josephides RIP
Thu 01/12		No Mass	7.00pm	
Fri 02/12	9.30am		9.30am	
Sat 03/12	6.00pm	Bill & Raynah Watson RIP	10.30am	
Next Sunday Readings: 1. Isaiah 11:1-10 2. St Paul to the Romans 15: 4-9 Gospel Matthew 3:1-12				

#### 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: 07933436387

**HATFIELD SVP:** Contact: 07960785673

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

**TEA & COFFEE:** After 11am Mass on Sunday at both parishes. (MC: Fortnightly) .

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

**CHILDREN'S MASS.**

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

**RCIA:** Want to become a Catholic, or find out more? Are you an adult Catholic wanting confirmation? Please contact Philip Crabtree : 07379497097.

**MASS & HALL BOOKINGS:** Please note all masses and hall bookings are on a first come basis. Masses may be booked by telephone, online or filling out a mass intention request. Hall bookings may be booked by telephone or online, through the Parish Office.

*Holy Father's intention for the month of November: For Children who suffer.*

We pray for children who are suffering, especially those who are homeless, orphans and victims of war. May they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection.

## The Roman Catholic Diocese Of Westminster



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+ 1st Sunday of Advent, Year A  
Sunday, 27th November 2022

**READINGS: 1. Isaiah 2:1-5; 2. St Paul to the Romans 13:11-14; Gospel Matthew 24:37-44. Psalm: 121:1-2.4-5.6-9. I rejoiced when I heard them say: "Let us go to God's house." Alleluia! Alleluia!! Let us see, O Lord, your mercy and give us your saving help. Alleluia!**

**REFLECTION:** Dear Friends, today, we start a new liturgical season of Advent, which is a season of hope because it is filled with hopeful expectation for the coming of the King whose reign will usher peace, love and justice. The word Advent comes from the Latin word "Adventus" which means "to come." Liturgically, it denotes a season of preparation for the celebration of the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Consequently, just as it is necessary to prepare for the coming of any important personality; so, the coming of Christ as king calls for adequate preparation as well.

Advent calls us to look both backward and forward. Hence, we look backward to commemorate the coming of Christ two thousand years ago. Secondly, we look forward for his second coming. The season renews our hope and grow in patience so as not to grow weary but to trust in God to whom thousand years is like a day.

When it comes to waiting on God, the virtue of patience is necessary, which is the capacity to wait for something or endure something tedious without getting angry or upset is a valuable quality to acquire. We are called not to be like the Israelites who lost patience while waiting for Moses to come down from the mountain. Abraham is an exemplary figure of patience who waited for many years on God to fulfil his promise to him. May this season enable us grow in the virtue of patience in this world of speed and anxiety through Christ.

*Jesus Said: "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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**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, Remi Clarke and Violet Prabu.



## 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.

**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: RECYCLED CHARITY CARDS:** The ultimate handmade recycled charity cards are available at Marychurch. Beautiful and unique cards with all funds raised going towards the Parish Refurbishment Fund.

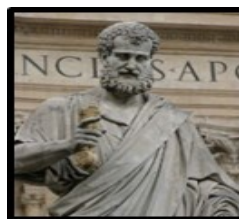
**NICHOLAS BREAKSPEAR SCHOOL:** Sixth Form Open Evening on Tuesday, 29th November 2022, 6pm - 8pm. For more information please visit their website, [nbs.herts.sch.uk](https://nbs.herts.sch.uk)

**VINNIE PACKS:** The SVP are distributing over 10,000 Vinnie Packs containing cold weather essentials to the homeless this winter. Please could you consider sponsoring packs at a suggested donation of £4.10 per pack? Donations can be sent to Vinnie Packs, PO Box 72264, London SW1P 9EZ with cheques made out to SVP or by bank transfer to Nat West sort code 60-60-04, account no. 4608 8237. Thank you so much for your support.

**SICK & RETIRED PRIESTS' FUND:** Thank you for your support, your generosity is appreciated. If you have not made a donation, there is still time. Please use the envelopes and support our Priests in their retirement. Please keep our sick and retired Priests in your prayers.

**UKRAINE: WHAT WE CAN DO:** 1. Pray every day for peace and all those affected at home, at school, on the bus and of course at Mass. 2. Donate: CAFOD and Caritas are grateful for your monetary donations. Gift aided <https://cafod.org.uk/News/Emergencies-news/Ukraine-crisis>.

**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 Cathy Ryan, Jack Cook, Edwin Levy, Leonora Mashumba, Anna Lodge, Pauline Redottee, David & Margaret Grundy, Elizabeth McLoughlin and Josephine Boyd.

**SP: REPOSITORY SHOP:** The Repository shop is open for Christmas cards, ornaments, nativity sets, Christmas gifts and lots of items for under £5. We can now accept payment by card - please pay a visit after mass.

**SP: CHURCH CLEANING:** Roshan, Gami and Audrey **FLOWERS:** Roshan & Harshani

**SP & MC: SPECIAL NOTICE:** Father Agbor and Father Innocent will be away for a Priestly Retreat on Tuesday, 29th November 2022. Masses at both Parishes will be at **9am**.

**SP & MC: CHRISTMAS CHURCH CLEANING:** Please come and help clean both Churches on Saturday, 3rd December 2022 in preparation for Christmas and New Year. From 10am at Marychurch and after 10.30am Mass at St Peter's Church. Thanking you in advance.

**SP & MC: EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY WITHIN THE PARISH:** We are looking to appoint a part time Handyperson. This is a paid position. Please speak to Father Agbor or Father Innocent for further information.

**SP & MC: PARISH YOUTH CLUBS:** Our older Youth Club for children aged 12+ continues on Fridays from 6.30pm - 7.30pm. Activities include music, singing, dancing, cooking, arts, crafts, indoor and outdoor sports. Entry fee is £2, with a tuck shop available. Our younger Youth Club for ages 8-11 at 5pm, entry fee is £2. Please contact Caroline at [hatfielddoyouth@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:hatfielddoyouth@rcdow.org.uk) or 07557 819858 for further information.

**NOVEMBER DEAD LIST:** Masses are offered throughout the month of November for the faithful departed. Envelopes are available at both Church entrances and exits for you to enclose the names you wish to pray for and for your mass donation as well.

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