

WEEKLY MASSES	MARYCHURCH/STM (MC) Mass times and intentions		ST PETER'S (SP) Mass times and intentions	
Sat 04/02	6.00pm	Jane Fisher	10.30am	Dalia Mercy, Thanks
Sun 05/02	9.30 am STM 11.00am	Parishioners Monica Wallice RIP	9.00am 11.00am 2.00pm 6.00pm	Parishioners Margaret Murray-Bruce RIP All travellers living & dead
Mon 06/02	7.00pm	Mary Coummey		No mass
Tue 07/02	9.30am	No mass (work in church)	9.30am	Monica Finnigan, RIP
Wed 08/02	9.30am	Gillian Sutton, Thanks	9.30am	
Thu 09/02		No mass	7.00pm	Bruno Fernando RIP
Fri 10/02	9.30am		9.30am	P & S Brennan RIP
Sat 11/02	6.00pm		10.30am	
Next Sunday Readings: 1. Ecclesiasticus 15:15-20, 2. St Paul to the Corinthians 2;6-10, Gospel Matthew 5;17-37				

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.
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 the Parish Clergy or 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.
FUNERALS: Please speak to the Parish Clergy before making any funeral arrangements.

Holy Father's intention for the month of February, for Parishes. We pray that Parishes, placing communion at the centre, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity and welcome towards those most in need.

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+ *Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A*
Sunday, 5th February 2023

READINGS: 1. **Isaiah 58:7-10;** 2. **Corinthians 2:1-5;** Matthew 5:13-16.
 Response to Psalm 111:4-9 *The good man is a light in the darkness for the upright. Alleluia! Alleluia!! I am the light of the world, says the Lord, anyone who follows me will have the light of life. Alleluia!*

REFLECTION: Today, Jesus uses the images of salt and light to describe the mission of being his disciple, thus "you are the salt of the earth... you are the light of the world." What could be the implication of this statement? Just as salt and light make difference in our lives and diet; it is a call for every Christian to be positively different and bring flavour wherever one finds themselves. Since salt is used in flavouring food: also as a preservative and healing agent, it describes the transforming effects of God's grace in our lives by making us agents of positive transformation to facilitate the coming of God's kingdom on earth. In addition, the Lord wants to use us to spread the rich flavour of his kingdom on our society.

The image of light illustrates God's transforming work in and through us. The Jews see it as an expression of the inner beauty and goodness of God. Thus psalm 36:9 expresses "in your light, O Lord, we see light." Just as light enables us to see and work especially at night, we are called to live in the light of God's truth and to be light-bearers of Christ in the world so that others may see and be free from the blindness of sin and ignorance. This we can do by following the examples of St Francis who said, "Lord, make me an instrument of your peace: where there is darkness, let me bring light. Where there is hatred, let me bring love. Where there is doubt, let me bring faith. Where there is injury, let me bring healing. Where there is war, let me bring peace etc". May we be agents of positive transformation in our Society. God Loves You!!!

'Pray, hope and don't worry.' Padre Pio



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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, '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: Please note that there is no morning mass (9.30am) at Marychurch on Tuesday, 7th February 2023. We have specialist heating engineers attending and access is required to the heaters in the Church. Please come to mass at St Peter's at 9.30am.

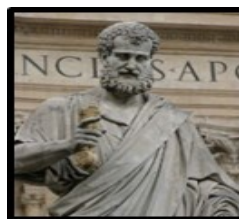
RACIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY: Racial Justice Sunday is on Sunday, 5th February 2023. The theme chosen for this year is, 'All are included in the mission of Christ and his Church. Let us walk together, pray together and work together.' This was inspired by observations made by Pope Francis during his visit to Canada in 2022 when he spoke about looking towards a future of 'justice, healing and reconciliation.' Please support our collection for Racial Justice, next Sunday 12th February 2023.

WESTMINSTER CHOIR CATHEDRAL SCHOOL: Open morning for prospective chorister families, Years 2, 3 or 4 on Sunday, 5th February 2023, 10 - 1pm. Please contact Lucy Auger on 020 7798 9081 or email lauger@choirschool.com

SPECIAL NOTICE: Father Norbert, our current Dean, has been appointed a Canon. You are all invited to his installation on Tuesday, 7th February 2023, 4.45pm at Westminster Cathedral, London.

WORLD DAY OF THE SICK: On Saturday, 11th February 2023, the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes and the 31st World Day of the Sick, Cardinal Vincent will celebrate Mass at Westminster Cathedral, 2.30pm. During this Mass anointing of the sick will be offered. Please visit the Diocese of Westminster website for further information and to register for a ticket.

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: - NEW STOCK - NEW STOCK - NEW STOCK We have new stock in for Baptism, First Communion and Confirmation; beautiful sterling silver crosses and chains and lots more - come in and have a look. Sadly the card machine is not working so we can only take cash payment at the moment.

SP: CHURCH CLEANING: Mavis, Margaret, Andrea and George **FLOWERS:** Olive

SP: LECTIONARY: Thank you to everyone who generously supported our donation appeal for new Lectionaries. We have ordered the new books and will be using them at all masses.

SP: CHOIR PRACTICE: On Monday, 6th February 2023 from 7pm - 8pm, there will be Choir Practice for the 9am Sunday Mass.

SP & MC: DATES FOR YOUR DIARY: EVENING OF RECOLLECTIONS FOR WOMEN: Please note the following date for the evening of recollections and prayers for women at St Peter's, Wednesday, 15th February, 7-9pm. Meditations by Monsignor Nicholas Morrish, Confession and Benediction. A chance to take time out and reflect.

SP & MC: PARISH YOUTH CLUBS: We run a fun filled youth club for children ages 8 to 11 (school class years 3 to 6) every Friday in St. Peter's Church Hall at 5 to 6 p.m. Entry fee is £2 with a tuck shop available. Please encourage your children to attend. Please contact Caroline at hatfieldyouth@rcdow.org.uk or 07557 819858 for more information.

SP & MC: We are approaching the end of the financial tax year and are working on the Parish accounts and gift aid. Please notify the Parish Office in strictest confidence, if your personal circumstances have changed e.g., change of address, redundancy etc. The Gift Aid Department need to be kept informed of any change that may affect claiming gift aid. Thank you for your cooperation.

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