

WEEKLY MASSES	MARYCHURCH/STM (MC) Mass times and intentions		ST PETER'S (SP) Mass times and intentions	
Sat 20/05	6.00pm	Father Stanislaus Savage	11.00am 2.00pm	1st Holy Communion Children 1st Holy Communion Children
Sun 21/05	9.30 am STM 11.00am	Parishioners 1st Holy Communion Children	9.00am 11.00am 2.00pm 6.00pm	Teresa O'Donoghue & Family Bob Langlois RIP All travellers, living and dead Flordeliza & Randy Vargo RIP
Mon 22/05	7.00pm	Canon A Arrowsmith RIP		No mass
Tue 23/05	9.30am	Osefo Family Int	10.30am	Elais Michael RIP
Wed 24/05	10.30am	Brian Browne RIP	9.30am	M & M Hanni RIP
Thu 25/05		No mass	7.00pm	Leonides, Healing
Fri 26/05	10.30am	Filomena Perdoni, Healing	9.30am	
Sat 27/05	6.00pm		10.30am	Anthony Vadassery, Thanks
Next Sunday Readings: 1. Acts 2:1-11 2. St Paul to the Corinthians 12:3-7 .12-13 Gospel John 20:19-23				

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: 5.15 - 5.50pm. SP: Saturday 11am - 12noon (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 May: For Church movements and groups. We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.

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+ *Seventh Sunday of Easter, Year A*
21st, May 2023

READINGS: 1. Acts of the Apostles 1:12-14; 2. St Peter 4:13-16 Gospel John 17:1-11. Response to Psalm 26:1.4.7-8. I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness in the land of the living. *Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, Alleluia! I will not leave you orphans, says the Lord; I will come back to you and your hearts will be full of joy. Alleluia!*

REFLECTION: Today, the 7th Sunday of Easter is known as, World Communication Day. This is because the Holy Spirit is the one who inspires every communication. On this theme of communication, Pope Francis says, "Today, we are living in a world which is growing ever smaller and where as a result, it seems to be easier for all of us to be neighbours. Developments in travel and communication technology are bringing us closer and making us more connected. Nonetheless, divisions continue to exist within our human family ... In a world like this, media can help us to feel closer to one another, creating a sense of the unity of the human family which in turn inspires solidarity and ensures a more dignified life. Good communication helps us to grow closer to know one another better and ultimately to grow in unity. The internet offers us immense possibilities for encounter and solidarity. This is something truly good, a gift from God."

Lastly, we are called to communicate faith to a world that is fast rejecting God as the creator. We must communicate love to a world filled with hatred and bitterness. We should communicate peace to a world soaked in chaos. We are called to communicate unity to a world so divided that everything seems to have fallen apart. Above all, we must communicate Eternal life (which is Christ Himself) to a world that is approaching its omega point. May the Holy Spirit inspire us to use the internet and other means of communication to positively improve the quality of human life. Peace be with you!

'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, 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/coffee. Get to know people and what's happening in your parish.

MC: FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: On Sunday, 21st May we will have 12 children making their First Holy Communion at the 11am mass. Marychurch will be busy that day including the car park, so you may prefer to attend mass on Saturday, 20th May at 6pm. Please keep these children in your prayers.

MC: PENTECOST SUNDAY: Sunday, 28th May is Pentecost Sunday and Monday, 29th May is Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church, our Feast day. We are planning to celebrate mass in different languages on Pentecost Sunday and will be holding a bring and share party after mass in the hall in celebration of both feasts. Please contact Cora on 07821 678818 for further information.

MC & SP: We are blessed with two wonderful halls at Marychurch and St Peter's Church, with excellent facilities for community and private events. The halls can be hired for birthday parties, weddings or wakes etc and the hire charges are very reasonable. All hall hirers are reminded that it is their responsibility to clean up after their event/party. Please also note; reduce, reuse and recycle. We have recycling facilities at both halls, so please recycle, placing items for recycling in the correct recycling bin. Let's all help to keep our community spaces safe and clean for everyone. Thank you.

ST PHILIP HOWARD CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL: We are looking to appoint an enthusiastic teacher to join our happy and inclusive school in September. As a 2 form entry school, there is flexibility as to which year group a successful candidate could join. We offer all teachers 1 day of non contact time for PPA and Subject Leader Time. ECTs are employed from the end of June and are paid across the summer holidays. We welcome applications from those on the Upper Pay Scale. Have a look at our website to find out more about our school and for the job application. Visits to our school are warmly welcomed.

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 Richard Atkin.



SP: EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: We need more Eucharistic Ministers especially at the 11am mass. Please note, you can still be a Eucharist minister even if you work shifts and may not be available every Sunday. The Eucharistic minister rota is produced in advance and if needed, you can swap to accommodate work shifts or family commitments. Please speak to the Parish Clergy or email the Parish Office. Thank you for considering this important ministry.

SP: CHURCH CLEANING: Violet, Annah & Chidera
FLOWERS: Connie & Team

SP & MC: DONATIONS: We have been kindly donated a Moses basket, baby blankets (suitable for a new-born) and a pram. If this is of interest to anyone, please speak to Linda, after mass in the Repository Shop at the back of St Peter's Church, or phone 07768 77768.

DID YOU KNOW?: Church teaching says that we should not only support those in poverty but also tackle the root causes of poverty. Pope Benedict XVI said that, "Love - caritas - is an extraordinary force which leads people to opt for courageous and generous engagement in the field of justice and peace." For decades CAFOD has spoken out against injustice. To find out more and get involved in tackling the root causes of poverty, please go to www.cafod.org.uk/latestcampaigns

RETRouvaille: FOR COUPLES STRUGGLING IN THEIR MARRIAGE: Retrouvaille is a programme to support couples who have difficulties in their marriage. It brings a positive focus, new hope and helps nourish and grow your marriage. Please visit www.retrouvaile.org.uk for more information.

EXHIBITION: ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI: The National Gallery in London, is holding an exhibition until the 30th July 2023 on the life and legacy of St Francis of Assisi. The exhibition will include paintings by Botticelli, Sassetta, Caravaggio, Murillo, El Greco and Antony Gormley as well as a new commission from Richard Long. Admission to the exhibition is free.

HELP FOR OUR PARISHIONERS: If you have any information on employment or housing to benefit our Parishioners, please contact the Parish Office by email or telephone.

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