

WEEKLY MASSES	MARYCHURCH/STM (MC) Mass times and intentions		ST PETER'S (SP) Mass times and intentions	
Sun 28/05	9.30 am STM 11.00am	Parishioners Nathaniel Family, Thanks	9.00am 11.00am 2.00pm 6.00pm	Parishioners Faustina Rentuma, Anniversary All travellers, living and dead Chidinma Chiejina, Healing & Thanks
Mon 29/05	11.00am 7.00pm	Funeral, N. Samkange RIP		No mass
Tue 30/05	9.30am	Osefo Family Int	10.30am	Chidinma Chiejina, Healing & Thanks
Wed 31/05	10.30am		9.30am	Graham Arnold RIP
Thu 01/06		No mass	7.00pm	Graham Arnold, RIP
Fri 02/06	10.30am		9.30am	Graham Arnold, RIP
Sat 03/06	6.00pm	Kathleen & George Rhine, RIP	10.30am	Seena Shajan, Thanks
Next Sunday Readings: 1. Exodus 34:4-6,8-9 2. St Paul to the Corinthians 13:11-13. Gospel John 3:16-18				

#### 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.

## The Roman Catholic Diocese of Westminster



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### Pentecost Sunday, Year A

28th, May 2023

**READINGS:** 1. Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11; 2. St Paul 12:3-7.12-13 Gospel John 20.19-23. Response to Psalm 103;1.24.29-31.34. Send forth your Spirit, O Lord and renew the face of the earth. *Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, Alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia!*

**REFLECTION:** Today, we celebrate Pentecost Sunday which recalls the descend of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles. Pentecost marks the definitive end of Easter season and the beginning of the Church's Missionary activities. Jesus knew that his disciples would need power from above to carry out the Missionary work entrusted to them, that was why he instructed his Apostles to remain in Jerusalem until they are clothed with power from on high. The question is, "why did they need power from above?"

Just as Jesus was anointed with the Holy Spirit at the beginning of his ministry, so the disciples needed the anointing of the Holy Spirit to carry out the mission of evangelization entrusted to them. The Holy Spirit is given to all who are baptised to enable them live a new way of life - a life of love, peace, joy. The Holy Spirit fills our heart with the love of God and gives us the courage and strength we need to live as disciples of the Lord. The spirit also helps us in our weakness and enables us to grow in spiritual freedom - freedom from doubt, fear, and from slavery of our unruly desires. The spirit instructs us on the ways of God, and guides us in living according to God's Will. The Prophet, Isaiah foretold the seven-fold gifts that the Spirit would give: wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety and fear of the Lord. Therefore, we pray, "Come, O Holy Spirit and kindle in us the Fire of your Love."

*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: 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 celebrating mass in different languages on Pentecost Sunday and will be holding a bring and share party in the hall in celebration of both feasts after mass. Please join us today in Marychurch hall, after mass.

**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.

**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 Anthony Gormley as well as new commission by Richard Long. Admission to the exhibition is free.

**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:** Mavis & family, Margaret F, Andrea M, George E and Joe  
**FLOWERS:** Olive

**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.

**SP & MC: YOUTH CLUB:** Our Youth Club is on every Friday, 5pm for our children aged 7-11. Fun, games, sports, arts, crafts and much more. Tuck shop available with an entry fee of £2 only. Family discounts available. Please contact Caroline on 07557819858 or [hatfieldyouth@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:hatfieldyouth@rcdow.org.uk)

**SP & MC: FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:** Last Sunday, 44 of our children made their First Holy Communion over 3 masses. This Sunday, they will be celebrating together at St Peter's and Marychurch. It is a time of great joy and spiritual growth as our young ones take an important step on their faith journey. May they continue to experience the grace and love of the Eucharist throughout their lives, and may their faith be a shining example to others. Congratulations to all our children.

**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.

**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](http://www.cafod.org.uk/latestcampaigns)

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