

WEEKLY MASSES	MARYCHURCH/STM (MC) Mass times and intentions		ST PETER'S (SP) Mass times and intentions	
Sun 26/11	9.30 am STM 11.00am	Father John Galvin Parishioners	9.00am 11.00am 2.00pm 6.00pm	Johnny McGing Parishioners All travellers, living & dead Ashley U. Nwapa, 18th B/day
Mon 27/11	7.00pm	Keira's Personal Int		No Mass
Tue 28/11	9.30am	E & G Waterman, RIP	10.30am	Mr Jinadasa, Anni
Wed 29/11	10.30am	Mary & Anastasis, RIP	9.30am	Helen Ryan, Anni
Thu 30/11		No mass	7.00pm	Mary's Thanksgiving
Fri 01/12	10.30am	Clea's Personal Int	9.30am	Angela King, RIP
Sat 02/12	6.00pm	B & J Laffes, RIP	10.30am	The Stokes Family Ints
Next Sunday Readings: 1. Isaiah 63:16-17;64:1.3-8. 2. Corinthians 1:3-9. Gospel Mark 13:33-37				

IMPORTANT PARISH INFORMATION

INFANT BAPTISM: Contact parish office. 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, John

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

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

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: MC = Last Sunday of the month. 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 November: For the Pope: We pray for the Holy Father; as he fulfils his mission, may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit.



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Our Lord Jesus Christ, Universal King, Year A
26th November 2023

READINGS: 1. Ezekiel 34:11-12.15-17; 2. Corinthians 15;20-26.28; Gospel Matthew 25:31-46. Response to Psalm Ps 22:1-3.5-6 The Lord is my shephard; there is nothing I shall want. Gospel Acclamation; Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David! *Alleluia!*

REFLECTION: Today is the 34th and the last Sunday in Ordinary time, Year A. Most importantly, it is the Solemnity of Christ the King. The feast of Christ the King was established by Pope Pius XI in 1925 in order to ward off the deadly influence of secularism. The feast is intended to proclaim in a resounding and effective way Christ's royalty over individuals, families, societies, Governments and Nations. The Church celebrates the King of the universe who rules in power and majesty; the King who is compassionate and loving, and the king who does not rule with iron fist but delivers justice on a platter of gold. In the first reading, the Lord assures us through the Prophet Ezekiel of his readiness to look after us thus: "I am going to look after my flock myself...I shall rescue them... I shall be a true Shepherd to them..." One thing to note is that the pronoun "I" was used to convey two things; first, God's personal interest in his flock and His readiness to do his job. Second, his promise to all us his children which he has long fulfilled through Jesus Christ our King and ruler of the universe.

The gospel reminds us of the reign of Christ. His reign is one of justice because he will judge each one according to his action. He shall uphold the just and reprimand the culprit. There is no corruption, embezzlement or structural injustice in his reign. Rather, his reign will be that of peace and justice. Brethren, our celebration will make more meaning if only we give Christ the highest seat and the key to the kingdom of our heart where he earnestly desires to reign. Peace be with you.

All things pass; God never changes. Patience attains all that it strives for. They who have God, find they lack nothing. God alone suffices.' St Teresa of Avila



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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, Violet Prabu and Pedro.

NOTICES AND EVENTS

MC: COFFEE MORNINGS: Sundays after 11am Mass and every Wednesday from 9.30am, '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 & SP: We are having a Children's Christmas Mass at 11am on Sunday, 10th December followed by a Christmas party in Marychurch hall. All children from both parishes are invited. Bring and share food with offers of help all greatly appreciated.

ST PHILIP HOWARD PRIMARY SCHOOL is having an Open Day which will start at 9.30am on 30th November. There will be a welcome from Mrs Waugh our Headteacher followed by tours of the school. If you would like to attend, please contact the school office on 01707 263969. Thank you.

St Philip Howard School is looking for a practising catholic to become a Foundation Governor at the school. It is a voluntary role and a great way to develop lots of skills. For more information please contact Linda Graham on 07768 777768.

A family from St Philip Howard School are in urgent need of a 1 or 2 bed flat. Please contact the school office on 01707 263969 if you can help. Thank you.

SICK AND RETIRED PRIESTS' ANNUAL COLLECTION: Thank you for so generously supporting the Sick & Retired Priests' Fund collection. If you did not get a chance to donate, it is not too late. By donating to the Sick and Retired Priests' Fund you can help ensure the needs of our retired and sick clergy are being met. Please take a donation envelope and also continue to pray for all our clergy: active, ill or retired. Thank you.

FOR SALE: Fujitsu Windows 10 laptops, Intel i3 CPU, refurbished with a new battery. Sold state drive with a DVD and card reader. Mains adaptor included. £60 each with all proceeds going to Marychurch. Only 4 left, so please speak to Gillian Sutton for further details.

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, Richard Atkin and Mary Damoah.

SP: CHURCH CLEANING: Mavis & family, Margaret F & Gloria
FLOWERS: Mary, Theresa and Elise

SP & MC: Christmas has arrived in the Repository Shop – plenty of Christmas items, from Nativity sets, Christmas ornaments, candles, calendars and diaries. Prices from just £1. Please come in and visit and support our parishes.

SP & MC: CONFIRMATION CLUB is starting in January 2024 for ages 8-11. Please fill out a Confirmation Club form located at the back of the Churches and return to the parish office.

SP & MC: YOUTH CLUB: Our Youth Club is on every Friday at 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 07557 819858 or hatfielddoyouth@rcdow.org.uk

On Friday 27th October, 20 children from the Youth Group had the opportunity of visiting the Hatfield Bunker. They all had a wonderful time and learnt a bit about Hatfield's history, experienced a war time bunker, meet the stuffed police cat, dressed up in riot gear and had a go in a police car. The trip was a success and in the New Year we will be discussing with the Youth Group our next trip.

Youth Club volunteers needed - if you could kindly spare 2 hours a month on a Friday evening assisting with our Youth Club, this would be kindly appreciated. For more details please contact Caroline on 07557 819858 or hatfielddoyouth@rcdow.org.uk
 Please note, an enhanced DBS will be required for the above role.

SP & MC: NON FOOD ITEMS: We are still collecting non food items to distribute to those in need through Philip Howard School. Please use the boxes at the back of both Churches for your donations. Thank you.

NOTICE FROM BISHOP PAUL: THE SANTA MARTA GROUP was established in 2014 by Pope Francis to combat human trafficking and modern slavery. SMG is now delivering 'Awareness and Guidance for Communities' to encourage local action and to prevent human trafficking and modern slavery taking place in our midst. **On Thursday 30th November the SMG will hold an information meeting in the parish hall of Our Lady Immaculate and St Andrew Catholic Church, 16, Nightingale Road, Hitchin SG5 1QS, from 7pm – 9pm.** Kevin Hyland, the UK's first Independent anti-slavery Commissioner and currently chief advisor to the SMG will lead the meeting. All are welcome to come to learn more about the prevalence of human trafficking and modern slavery in our communities and the steps we can take to prevent it.

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