

WEEKLY MASSES	MARYCHURCH/STM (MC) Mass times and intentions		ST PETER'S (SP) Mass times and intentions	
Sun 14/01	9.30 am STM 11.00am	Parishioners	9.00am 11.00am 6.00pm	Parishioners
Mon 15/01	7.00pm			No Mass
Tue 16/01	9.30am		10.30am	
Wed 17/01	10.30am	Poppy Rawle's Int	9.30am	
Thu 18/01		No Mass	7.00pm	
Fri 19/01	10.30am	Remy Stevens, RIP	9.30am	
Sat 20/01	6.00pm	Edwin O. Ahimie, RIP	10.30am	
Next Sunday Readings: 1. Jonah 3:1-5.10. 2. Corinthians 7:29-31. Gospel Mark 1:14-20				

#### IMPORTANT PARISH INFORMATION

**INFANT BAPTISM:** Contact parish office. Preparation with the catechist is an obligation.

**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 January:** Let us pray that the Holy Spirit helps us to recognise the gift of different charisms within the Christian community and to discover the richness of the different ritual traditions in the heart of the Catholic Church.



## The Roman Catholic Diocese of Westminster

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*2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B (Peace Day)  
14th January 2024*

**READINGS: 1. Samuel 3:3-10.19 2. Corinthians 6:13-15.17-20; Gospel John 1:35-42. Response to Psalm Ps 39:2,4.7-10.** Here I am, Lord! I come to do your will. *Gospel Acclamation; Alleluia! Alleluia! Speak, Lord, your servant is listening; you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!*

**Reflection:** On this Second Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B, the Word of God invites us to be disciples of Jesus. We are reminded that God's call is real and He calls us personally by our names. The first reading recounts the dramatic call of Samuel which reminds us of our own call. Samuel's answers thus: "Speak Lord, your Servant is Listening" is a challenge to our way of life especially praying. Sometimes, our prayer is filled with talking to God, but we live in a noisy world filled with distractions both internally and externally which makes it difficult to listen to God's voice. If only we can discipline ourselves against noise, we will hear the voice of God. The problem is that we are too busy, too noisy and in a hurry, that we hardly have time to hear God's voice. Therefore, we need to create a quiet time and dispose ourselves to listen to God. Can we begin this year by making it a habit to spent at least ten minutes or more in silent prayer without talking?

The gospel presents the beginning of Jesus's ministry and the end of John the Baptist's ministry. John showed Christ to the world thus "Behold the Lamb of God!" We are also called to learn from John by showing Christ to those around us. Finally, God calls us by our names every day with the invitation, "Come, follow me." This invitation to follow Christ requires prompt response. Therefore, like the Psalmist, our response should always be: "Here I am Lord, I have come to do your Will." 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.

**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.

**VINNIE PACKS:** The SVP are distributing over 10,000 Vinnie Packs containing essentials to the homeless. The suggested donation is £4.20 per pack. Donations can be sent to Vinnie Packs, PO Box 72264, London, SW1P 9EZ with cheques made out the SVP or by bank transfer to Nat West, sort code 60-60-04, account 46088237. Thank you so much for your support.

**YouCAN (YOUNG CATHOLIC ADULTS NETWORK)** are running a series of events this year called 'Monastery Days': all-day events which consist of Mass, Confession, Prayer, Bible Study and Divine office, aimed at young adults from 18-45 years. The next trip is at Cambridge Blackfriars, CB3 0DD on Saturday, 27th January 2024. Cost is £25 per person. For further details and to book, please contact [rina@youngcatholicadultnetwork.uk](mailto:rina@youngcatholicadultnetwork.uk)

**ANNUAL MSP CELEBRATION:** The Missionary Society of St Paul cordially invite you to their annual celebration of Thanksgiving on Friday, 26th January 2024 beginning with Holy Mass at 6.30pm in St George's Cathedral, Westminster Bridge Road London followed by a reception in Amigo Hall. All are very welcome. There will be a mission appeal for The Missionary Society of St Paul, on Sunday, 28th January 2024 at both parishes.

**MARRIAGE CARE** will be running in-person marriage preparations courses in the parish centre of St Philip the Apostle, Finchley Church End on Saturdays 10th February, 9th March and 13th April 2024. Couples can book their place on a course via the Marriage Care website. Marriage Care also offer low cost relationship counselling to couples experiencing difficulties and this support can also be accessed via their website.

**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:** Anthonia

**FLOWERS:** Mary, Therese and Elise

**SP & MC: Gifts in the Repository Shop at the back of St Peter's Church and Marychurch** – candles, beautiful jewellery and cards. We have some diaries and a few calendars left. Please pop in and support our parishes.

**SP & MC: YOUTH CLUB:** Our Youth Club is on Fridays 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 [hatfieldyouth@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:hatfieldyouth@rcdow.org.uk)

**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 [hatfieldyouth@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:hatfieldyouth@rcdow.org.uk) Please note, an enhanced DBS will be required for the above role.

**SP: HALL EVENTS GROUP - HEG:** We are looking to put a Hall Events Group together to plan events like a Christmas party, summer party and other events to help raise funds to refurbish the hall and back garden at St Peter's as well as to help with other social action events such as food hampers. If you are interested, please contact Jemma on 07550 181144.

**SP & MC: PAX CHRISTI:** Sunday, 14th January 2024 is Peace Sunday. We will be having a second collection in aid of Pax Christi. The work of Pax Christi is based on the gospel and inspired by faith with a vision of a world where ALL peoples live in peace, working to help create communities of peace and justice.

**SP & MC: CHILDREN'S LITURGY:** Our Children's Liturgy will resume on Sunday, 14th January 2024 at St Peter's and on Sunday, 28th January 2024 at Marychurch.

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