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MASS TIMES

St Peter's

Sunday Mass:

9.15am, 11am, & 6pm

Weekday Mass:

Mon - Wed, Fri: 9.30 am
Thur.: 7pm; Sat.: 10.30am

Holy Days of Obligation:

Mass: 9.30 am & 7pm

Eucharistic Adoration

Sat. 11.00 am – 12 noon

Morning Prayer:

Mon.-Wed., Fri.: 9.10 am

Marychurch/STM

Sunday Mass:

6pm (Sat.), 9.30am (STM),
& 11am

Weekday Mass:

Mon., Tue., Thur., Fri.:
9.30am; Wed.: 7.30pm

Holy Days of Obligation:

Mass: 9.30am & 7.30pm

Eucharistic Adoration

Fri.: 10am – 10.30am

Divine Office:

20 minutes before Mass

**“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.*



+ 24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR B

“... faith apart from works is dead.” (Jam. 2.26)

Martin Luther is said to have published his 95 Theses on 31 October 1517. In the first two theses, He claimed that faith alone (with God's grace, and without the need for any good work) is sufficient for anyone to be saved. His claim which formed the bedrock of his theology that contributed to the Reformation appears to have been informed by a superficial reading of St Paul. In Romans 3.20, St Paul says that no one can be justified in God's sight by works of the law. “For we hold”, he goes on, “that a person is justified by faith apart from works of law.” (Rom. 3.28) He invokes the example of Abraham whose faith was reckoned as righteousness (Rom. 4.3; cf. Gen. 15.6), and concludes that the faith of anyone who does no work of law but trusts in the God who justifies the ungodly is also reckoned as righteousness (Rom.4.5). But St Paul is here talking about the irrelevance of Jewish practice of circumcision (not about the necessity of good works) for salvation. Salvation is not something we can claim any credit for, since it is beyond what we can achieve by the sheer exercise of our faculties. Rather, it is something we receive purely as a gift from God, but which, to be realised in each person, requires the person's response in the form of full cooperation with grace expressed through good works. That is, the faith which justifies is in its very nature an active and living faith. It necessarily involves and expresses itself in good work that in turn completes (Jam. 2.22) and gives it life, else it is like a fossil that may have a paleontological value but, for practical purposes, is utterly useless (cf. Jam. 2.17). By His own conduct and teaching, Our Lord is clear about the kind of faith that justifies and saves, namely, faith interwoven with charity: He says: I was hungry and you gave me to eat, thirsty and you gave me a drink, naked and you clothed me, sick or in prison and you visited me . . . (Mt 25.43-46). Without good works such as these, personal salvation is utterly impossible.

READINGS AT SUNDAY MASS

1st Reading: Is. 50.5-9; **2nd Reading:** Jam. 2.14-18; **Gospel:** Mk 8.27-35.

Psalm: Ps 114 (115).1-6, 8-9; **R/:** *I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.*

Gospel Acclamation: *Alleluia, alleluia! I Am the Way, the Truth, and the Life, says the Lord; no one can come to the Father except through Me. Alleluia!*

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Sun., 16th Sept.	+ 24th SUNDAY <i>Office, Week 4</i>	9.15am	Mary Grace Zarb, RIP
		11.00am	Jacinto Tentuma, RIP
		6.00pm	Parishioners
Mon., 17 th Sept.	Feria	9.30am	Karen Fielding's & Jonathan Blunt's Intentions
Tue., 18 th Sept.	Feria	9.30am	Private Intention
Wed., 19 th Sept.	Feria	9.30am	Mrs Mary McNeilly
Thur., 20 th Sept.	Ss Andrew Kim Tae-gon & Companions,	7.00pm	Private Intention
Fri., 21 st Sept.	St Matthew, Apostle		Private Intention
Sat., 22nd Sept.	Feria	10.30am	Maura Mannion, RIP
		2.00 pm	SVP MASS FOR THE SICK
Sun., 23rd Sept.	+ 25th SUNDAY <i>Office, Week 1</i>	9.15am	Private Intention
		11.00am	Ian Gaboll, Thanksgiving/Int.
		6.00pm	Parishioners

MARYCHURCH/ST THOMAS MORE

Sat., 15 th Sept.	+ 24th SUNDAY <i>Office, Week 4</i>	6.00pm	James Leonard
Sun., 16th Sept.		9.30am (STM)	John and Demaris Tomlin
		11.00am	Parishioners
Mon., 17 th Sept.	Feria	9.30am	Jane and Arthur Wiseman, RIP
Tue., 18 th Sept.	Feria	9.30am	Margaret Kennedy, RIP
Wed., 19 th Sept.	Feria	7.30pm	Mickey Kennedy, RIP
Thur., 20 th Sept.	Ss Andrew Kim & Companiions	9.30am	Maxine Bruckner and family
Fri., 21 st Sept.	St Matthew, Apostle	9.30am	Barry Holloway, RIP
Sat., 22 nd Sept.	+ 25th SUNDAY <i>Office, Week 1</i>	6.00pm	Patrick Flavin, RIP
Sun., 23rd Sept.		9.30am (STM)	Margaret and Tony Wilcock
		11.00am	Parishioners

SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: Please pray for Lily Clark, Amerita Mericonda, Dorothy Hall, James Haughian, Catherine Coulson, Patricia Martin, Tony Lodge, Stella Ashley, Jim & Teresa

Chatfield, Pat Darling, Patricia Martin, Evelyn McKenna, Margaret Morrin, Nora O'Sullivan, and William Naughton.

With great joy, we welcome to our Catholic family **Kristian Charles** who was baptised on Saturday the 15th, and **Brandon Wei**, to be baptised after Mass today.

Application forms for the First Holy Communion and Confirmation programmes are available at the back of Church. Parents/carers interested in their children participating in the programmes should complete the forms and return them to the Parish Secretary by Friday the 28th of September. A First Communion meeting for parents will take place on **Sunday, the 30th of September at St Peter's at 3.00 pm.**

Altar Servers Day Out: Our altar servers will have a day out on **Saturday, September the 22nd**, in appreciation of their service in the parish. Features of the day will include dinner, entertainments and games. Parents, please take note.

Please put down in your diary this very important date – **Saturday, October the 27th 2018.** It is the date for a **Parish Retreat** for the parishioners of both St Peter's and Marychurch, to be directed by the Franciscan Friars.

'Moves are afoot to bring in anti-Christian censorship zones around abortion centres in the U.K. On Friday the 28th September, the Vigil of the Feast of St. Michael, please pray and fast for the end of abortion and euthanasia in this Country. Your prayer and fasting is urgently needed, and it really does save lives. www.GoodCounselNetwork.com'

The two parishes will hold a **Send-Forth ceremony for Fr Pius**, our former Assistant Priest, on **October the 7th**, starting with the 11.00 am Mass at St Peter's. We look forward to seeing you at the occasion.

A **Music Workshop** is being organised in October for all who want to improve their singing skills or to join the choir. Be on the look-out for the notice.

Becoming a Catholic: Are you interested in becoming a Catholic or in finding out more about the Church? Please talk to Father Julius or Father Livie at any time.

Nicholas Breakspeare Catholic School Sixth Form. There are still courses available for you to join the NBS community considered in the top 10% of sixth forms in the country. The sixth form is welcoming and aspirational and our students benefit from small class sizes, a wide range of academic courses, as well as exceptional guidance and support. Contact Mr Laing (Head of Sixth Form) on laingc@nbs.herts.sch.uk or telephone 01727 860079 for more information.

Thank you for returning the hymn books/Mass cards to the shelves at the end of Mass.

Parish Office: SP: Tue.,
Wed., Fri.: 9.30am-1.30pm;
MC/STM: Wed. – Fri.:
8.30am-1.30pm

Safeguarding Officer: SP:
Sue McLellen, 01707 646383;
Email: hatfieldsouthsg@safegu
ardrcdow.org.uk;

MC/STM: Mary Stephenson,
01707 883653

Planned Giving: SP:
Pat Malsher: 01707 265530;
MC/STM: Gillian Sutton,
01707269693

Lead Catechist: Linda
Graham, 07768777768

Hall Booking: Enquiries to:
SP: Parish Secretary;
MC/STM: Parish Secretary

Baptism: See Parish Priest.
Preparation is obligatory

Confessions: SP: Sat., 11am –
12 noon; 5-5.30 pm;
MC/STM: Sat., 5-5.45pm; or
by request

Marriage: See Parish Priest; 6
months' notice required;
Preparation is obligatory

Sacred Heart Novena: SP:
Fri. after Mass; **MC/STM:**
Thur. after Mass

Rosary: SP: Wed. after
Mass; **MC:** Mon. after Mass;
STM: Mon. 9.30am

**Novena to Our Lady of
Perpetual Succour:** Tuesday
after Mass in both parishes

Christian Meditation:
MC: Wed. 8.00pm in term
time

Hatfield SVP:
07960785673

St Pio Prayer Group: SP:
1st Thur. monthly at **6pm**

Tea & Coffee: After 11am
Mass in both parishes.
Please, join us.

Weekly Rota:
Cleaning: 5 – 11 Aug.
Tawa, George

Jade

Flowers. 12 Aug./19 Aug.

Suggestion/Comment Box:
There is a box on the table in
the porch, if you wish to
express any suggestions or
comments in relation to either
parish.

St Philip Howard:
Primary: 01707 263969

Nicholas Breakspear: Senior
Mixed – 01727 860079

Loreto College, St Albans:
01727 856206

**Catholic Chaplaincy Lister
Hospital:** John O'Neil,
01438 285518

**Proclaim Our Lady of
Fatima Family Rosary:**
Contact: Lucia Federici,
07933 436387; Email:
luciafederici@mountcarmelki
ndergarten.co.uk

Last Week's Collection

Thank you.

Text: ParishHATSO to 70800
to donate £5 through your
mobile phone.

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