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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.*



## + 6<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR C

**“Blessed are you . . . for yours is the kingdom of God.”**  
(Luke 6.20)

Everybody by nature desires to be happy. Yet, happiness, even on the natural plane, is not something we can set out in pursuit of, in order to acquire and to possess, as we do other things. Happiness on this plane is the effect of a life that is lived consistently with truth and with virtue. Even at that, nothing of the created order can fully and permanently satisfy our desire for happiness; only God who is Blessedness itself, the undying light, and the unfading glory (CCC, 257), can. St Augustine says quite insightfully in Book 1 of his *Confessions*: ‘O God, Thou hast made us for Thyself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in Thee’. Given the very nature of our earthly life, that type of rest is not possible except in the Beatific Vision (1 Cor. 13.12). To that vision, both as the goal of our human existence, and as the ultimate end of all our human acts (CCC, 1719), God has called us, individually and as His family, the Church. To it also, He has destined us in love to be His children, and to be conformed to the image of His Son (Eph. 1.4-10). On the supernatural level, then, this happiness or beatitude which may be tasted in this life, but will reach its fullness only in the Beatific Vision, is a free gift of God that He gives as a just reward for a life lived in truth and in virtue. It is the fulfilment of the promises of old made by God, and is ordered towards His heavenly kingdom. It entails entering into the joy of the Lord (Mt 25.23; 5.8), into the glory of Christ (cf. Rom. 8.18), and into God’s rest (Heb. 4.7-11; CCC, 1720). By it, we will partake of the divine nature and of eternal life (2 Pt 1.4), we will see God as He really is (1 John 3.2), and, in seeing Him, possess Him who is the Supreme Good that alone can completely satisfy all desires. We attain this eternal blessedness firstly by knowing the one true God and Jesus Christ whom He has sent (John 17.3), by loving Him, and by serving Him with all our life.

## READINGS AT SUNDAY MASS

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** Jer. 17.5-8; **2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** 1 Cor. 15.12,16-20; **Gospel:** Luke 6.17,20-26

**Psalms:** Ps 1.1-4,6 **R/:** *Happy the man who has placed his trust in the Lord.*

**Gospel Acclamation:** *Alleluia, Alleluia! Blessed are You, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere children. Alleluia!*

## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

<b>Sun., 17<sup>th</sup> Feb.</b>	<b>+ 6<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY</b> <i>Office, Week 1</i>	<b>9.15am</b>	Andrew Blackmore, RIP
		<b>11.00am</b>	Bernanrd Lannen, Anniversary
		<b>6.00pm</b>	Parishioners
Mon., 18 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	Feria	9.30am	Anny Schlessor, RIP
Tue., 19 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	Feria	9.30am	Private Intention
Wed., 20 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	Feria	9.30am	Private Intention
Thur., 21 <sup>st</sup> Feb.	St Peter Damian	7.00pm	Private Intention
Fri., 22 <sup>nd</sup> Feb..	<b>Chair of St Peter</b>	9.30am	Private Intention
Sat., 23 <sup>rd</sup> Feb.	St Polycarp	10.30am	Thomas Keohane, RIP
<b>Sun., 24<sup>th</sup> Feb.</b>	<b>+ 7<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY</b> <i>Office, Week 2</i>	<b>9.15am</b>	Private Intention
		<b>11.00am</b>	Parishioners
		<b>6.00pm</b>	Private Intention

## MARYCHURCH/ST THOMAS MORE

Sat., 16 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	<b>+ 6<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY</b> <i>Office, Week 2</i>	<b>6.00pm</b>	Parishioners
<b>Sun., 17<sup>th</sup> Feb.</b>		<b>9.30am (STM)</b>	Mary Heylen, RIP
		<b>11.00am</b>	Zebedee Clare, RIP
Mon., 18 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	Feria	9.30am	Special Intention
Tue., 19 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	Feria	9.30am	Fr Ronald Aylward, RIP
Wed., 20 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	Feria	7.30pm	Golden wedding celebration of Claire and Joe Burke
Thur., 21 <sup>st</sup> Feb.	<b>Chair of St Peter</b>	9.30am	Gordon and Ethel Richardson
Fri., 22 <sup>nd</sup> Feb.	Feria	9.30am	Special Intention
Sat., 23 <sup>rd</sup> Feb.	<b>+ 7<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY</b> <i>Office, Week 2</i>	<b>6.00pm</b>	Parishioners
<b>Sun., 24<sup>th</sup> Feb.</b>		<b>9.30am (STM)</b>	Germaine Overton, RIP
		<b>11.00am</b>	Maria and Felly Fernandes, RIP

**SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:** Please pray for Lily Clark, Aileen Freeman, Mairead Waugh, Amerita Mericonda, Dorothy Hall, Catherine Coulson, Patricia Martin, Tony Lodge, Jim and Teresa Chatfield, Pat Darling, Patricia Martin, Evelyn McKenna, Margaret Morrin, Nora O'Sullivan, William Naughton, Francis MacDomald, Sharon Childs, Patricia Hayward, and Agnes Clark.

If anyone has a van to help with the delivery of an office desk to the parish office, please contact the parish secretary. Thank you.

**DVD series on life of Mary to be shown in Lent:** 5 engaging DVD sessions of 25 minutes each exploring the life of Mary and helping us to come closer to God will be shown after the 11am Mass in St Peter's church hall during the Sundays of Lent. It has been filmed on locations in Walsingham, the Holy Land, Ephesus, Rome, Monserrat, Lourdes, and Knock. Please do make time to come and bring some snacks to share. Everyone is welcome, including children as there will be activities for them too. We hope it will be a special preparation for each one of us for Easter.

**Cardinal's Mass of Thanksgiving for the Sacrament of Matrimony, Westminster Cathedral, Saturday the 8<sup>th</sup> of June 2019 at 3pm.** The Cardinal will be inviting to this Mass all couples in the diocese who are celebrating their 5<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, or 60<sup>th</sup> (and every year over 60) wedding anniversary of Catholic marriage in 2019. If you are celebrating an anniversary, please add your details to the sign up sheet at the back of Church. Thank you.

St Philip Howard Catholic Primary School is recruiting 2 teachers for April and September 2019. If you would like to join our friendly, supportive team, please find more details on [www.teachinherts.com](http://www.teachinherts.com), or contact Mairead Waugh, Headteacher, on 01707 263969'

**Hertfordshire CAFOD Networking Meeting:** You are invited to attend Hertfordshire CAFOD Volunteering meeting on **Saturday 23 February 12-4pm**. The meeting will include a talk by CAFOD's Tony Gilbert who will give a first-hand account of our work in Zambia and South Sudan. The meeting will take place at: Holy Family, 194 Knightsfield, Welwyn Garden City, Hertfordshire, AL8 7RQ. Please bring packed lunch. All are welcome. For further details, contact Ann Milner [ann.milner@cafod.org.uk](mailto:ann.milner@cafod.org.uk).

The Cotter School of Irish Dancing is offering a free first session for children to try out, thereafter it is £5 per session payable weekly. All children are welcome from the age of 3 upwards. The class will start at 5.15pm for one hour at Marychurch Hall on Tuesday. If you would like to attend then please email Laura at: [the\\_cotterschoolofid@gmail.com](mailto:the_cotterschoolofid@gmail.com) or turn up on the night.

Please pray for the peaceful repose of **Fr Adrian Walker**. His remains will be buried on the 20<sup>th</sup>.

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, 07710978770;  
Email: hatfieldsouthsg@safegu  
ardrcdow.org.uk;

**MC/STM:** Angela Madden  
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**Planned Giving: SP:**  
Pat Malsher: 01707 265530;

**MC/STM:** Gillian Sutton;  
Parish Secretary: 01707262439

**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:**  
1<sup>st</sup> Thur. monthly at **6pm**

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

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

### Weekly Rota:

**Cleaning: From 24 Feb.**

C. Imoh, Tawa, George  
& Jade Elias-Ubiawhe

**Flowers: For 24 Feb/3 Mar.**  
Elsie

**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

**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.

### Last Week's Collections

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

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Parish Secretary: Pauline Hayes

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