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## **OUR MISSION STATEMENT**



*St Peter's Catholic Church is a welcoming missionary parish committed to spreading the gospel values of love and service to all through our community worship and by responding with compassion and love to the needs of our parish and the wider community, so that we, like St Peter, may spread the Good News and in the end attain eternal life with Christ in heaven.*

## **MASS TIMES**

### **St Peter's**

#### **Sunday Mass:**

9.15am, 11am, 2pm &  
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

## **+ THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD**

### **“A Light for revelation to the pagans.” (Lk 2.32)**

‘Light’ is a prominent theme in the Scripture, especially in the gospel. In St John’s gospel in particular, light is also personified, and identified with Christ. Very early on in his gospel, St John speaks of the life that became visible (1 Jn 1.2), and that life is synonymous with the Light of humanity (Jn 1.4). Our Lord is ‘the true Light’ to whom St John the Baptist came to bear witness (Jn 1.9,7-8). In Himself, He is Light (Jn 9.5; 8.12), just as in Himself, God in whom is no darkness at all, is Light (1 Jn 1.5). As Light, He came into the world, for these and other purposes: (a) for revelation to pagans – Lk 2.32; (b) to enlighten everyone coming into the world – Jn 1.9 (with the knowledge of the glory of God reflected on the face of Christ – 2 Cor. 4.6); (c) to draw out of darkness all who believe in Him – Jn 12.46; (d) to enable those who follow Him and walk with Him to not return to darkness – Jn 8.12 (or be overtaken by darkness – Jn 12.35); (e) to transform with His luminosity all who believe in Him into sons and daughters of light themselves – Jn 12.36 (just as the face of Moses became luminous after he spent 40 days and 40 nights talking with God on Mount Horeb – Exod. 34.29). Just as the Lord is Himself the Light of the world, those who are transformed by Him also possess the light of life (Jn 8.12) and are themselves the light of the world (Mt 5.14). They are to let their light shine forth before people so that those may ‘see see your good works and give glory to God’ (Mt 5.16). The sad thing, however, is what St John also bemoans in his gospel: “And this is judgement, that the Light has come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil.” (Jn 3.19)

## READINGS AT SUNDAY MASS

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: **Mal. 3.1-4**; 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: **Heb. 2.14-18**; Gospel: **Lk 2.22-40**.

Psalm: **Ps 23(24).7-10**; R/: *Who is the King of glory? He, the Lord, He is the King of glory.*

Gospel Acclamation: *Alleluia, Alleluia! The Light to enlighten the Gentiles and give glory to Israel, Your people. Alleluia!*

## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

<b>Sun., 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb.</b>	<b>+ PRESENTATION OF THE LORD</b> <i>Office, Week 4</i>	<b>9.15am</b>	Paddy Nolan, Anniversary
		<b>11.00am</b>	Parishioners
		<b>2.00pm</b>	Travellers
		<b>6.00pm</b>	Private Intention
Mon., 3 <sup>rd</sup> Feb.	St Lawrence	9.30am	Private Intention
Tue., 4 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	Feria	9.30am	Patrick Brennan, Anniversary
Wed., 5 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	St Agatha	9.30am	Adele Pym's Intention
Thur., 6 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	St Paul Miki & Co.	7.00pm	The Turner Family Intentions
Fri., 7 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	Feria	9.30am	Pat and Winnie McKay, RIP
Sat. 8 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	Feria	10.30am	Mary Kiely, Anniversary
<b>Sun., 9<sup>th</sup> Feb.</b>	<b>+ 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME</b> <i>Office, Week 1</i>	<b>9.15am</b>	Peter McKay's Private Intention
		<b>11.00am</b>	Parishioners
		<b>2.00pm</b>	Travellers
		<b>6.00pm</b>	Private Intention

## MARYCHURCH/ST THOMAS MORE

Sat. 1 <sup>st</sup> Feb.	<b>+ PRESENTATION OF THE LORD</b> <i>Office, Week 4</i>	<b>6.00pm</b>	James and Bridget Laffey
<b>Sun., 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb.</b>		<b>9.30am (STM)</b>	Parishioners
		<b>11.00am</b>	Gordon and Ethel Richardson
Mon., 3 <sup>rd</sup> Feb.		St Lawrence	9.30am
Tue., 4 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	Feria	9.30am	Nicol, RIP
Wed., 5 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	St Agatha	7.30pm	Thomas Keohane, RIP
Thur., 6 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	St Paul Miki & Co.	9.30am	Special Intention
Fri., 7 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	Feria	9.30am	Maurice Scally, RIP
Sat. 8 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	<b>+ 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME</b> <i>Office, Week 1</i>	<b>6.00pm</b>	Parishioners
<b>Sun., 9<sup>th</sup> Feb.</b>		<b>9.30am (STM)</b>	Patricia Dee
		<b>11.00am</b>	Maria and Fely Fernandes, RIP

**SICK OR HOUSEBOUND:** Please pray for Lily Clark, Amerita Mericonda, Dorothy Hall, Pat and Patricia Martin, Tony Lodge, Jim and Theresa Chatfield, Margaret Morrin, Nora O'Sullivan, William Naughton, Francis MacDonald, Cathy Ryan, Adele Pym, Edwin Levy.

## NOTICES

**Year of the Word:** There are fliers at the back of the church about the Big Picture Course in case you were not at Mass last weekend. We hope together as a parish that we can deepen our knowledge of the Bible. We are still taking names of those who wish to order the book with a DVD you need to follow the course. Give your name to the parish secretary or a Proclaim team member. You can choose to do the course on a Sunday from 12.15 to 13.15 in the parish hall or on your own or with friends.

**New PSR:** Roshan Senanayake has been appointed by the diocese as our new Parish Safeguarding Representative. We offer him our congratulations on this important appointment. He will be working with Sue McLellen, the outgoing PSR, before fully taking on the role.

**60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration:** In 2021 we will be marking the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the first Mass in St Peter's church on 9 July 1961. We are looking for volunteers to help plan the celebration. If you have some ideas or would just like to get involved as a volunteer, please let Fr Livie, Fr Francis, or the Parish Secretary know. Thank you.

**Hall Caretaker:** We are looking for someone to help look after our parish hall to ensure that it is kept secure and in good order. If you would like to do this, please contact Sue McLellen on 07710 978770.

**9.15 am Mass: Starting from the first Sunday of Lent, March the 1<sup>st</sup>, we will be moving the 9.15 am Mass to 9.00 am.** Please, let us know what you think about this change. Thanks.

**Youth Ministry:** Thank You to those

volunteers who have signed up to help with the running of the Youth Group – it is still not too late to volunteer and be part of a small team making a difference. For more information, please contact Linda Graham on 07768 777768.

**“Hello Love”: One-Day Youth Retreat, 8 Feb., 10.30 am – 4.30 pm:** A one-day programme for the youth (aged 18 to 35 years) to be conducted by Jesus Youth. The programme will consist of relevant sessions for the youth, adoration, great music, and fun games. Food for the day will also be provided. Those interested can contact the organiser on 07438571399.

**A Family in Urgent Need:** St Philip Howard Primary has a family in need of a 2 or 3 bed property to rent as soon as possible. If you think you may be able to help please contact Lorraine Chamberlain at school on 01707 263969. Thank you.

**Nursery Places at St Philip Howard School - September 2020:** Do you have a child born between 01/09/16 and 31/08/2017 NOT in Nursery already? 15 and 30 hour nursery places will be available from September along with wrap around care from 7.30am until 5.30pm. Please contact the school office for an application. The deadline for September 2020 places is the 3<sup>rd</sup> March. If you would like to visit the School, tours are available at 9.30am on Wednesday the 5<sup>th</sup> February.

**Days Off:** Fr Livie is not available on Wednesdays, and Fr Francis on Thursdays, except for emergencies.

*Thanks for returning the hymn books/ Mass cards to the shelves at the end of Mass.*

**Parish Office: SP:** Tue.,  
Thur., Fri.: 9.00am-2.00pm;

**MC/STM:** Wed. – Fri.:  
8.30am-1.30pm

**Safeguarding Officer: SP:**  
Sue McLellen, 07710978770;  
Email: [hatfieldsouthsg@safeguardsouth.org.uk](mailto:hatfieldsouthsg@safeguardsouth.org.uk);

**MC/STM:** Angela Madden  
01707275214

**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:  
[lucia.federici@mountcarmelkindergarten.co.uk](mailto:lucia.federici@mountcarmelkindergarten.co.uk)

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

**Weekly Rotas:**  
**Cleaning: From 2 Jan.**

Roshan

**Flowers: For 9/16 Feb.**  
Roshan & Harshani

**“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.*

**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.

**Monthly Offertory Collection**

**Thank you.**

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

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