

**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:

9am, 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

+ 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT – YEAR A

“Jesus was led by the Spirit out into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil.” (Mt 4.10)

Our Lord's temptation reveals, among other things, that the devil is real and active in the life of the individual and of the human race. The idea of such an active spiritual entity may sound fanciful to some; yet he is real, and those who deny his reality run the risk of not knowing what hits them when he strikes. The devil (also called Satan, Lucifer, and demon) is an angel of God in whom was found error (Job 4.18). By sinning, he fell from supernatural grace. He leads an army of fellow fallen angels (Mt 25.41) who, like himself, were not spared by God (2 Pt 2.4). For his rebellion, he was forcefully ejected from heaven and thrown down to the earth (Rev. 12.7-9), and he fell like lightning (Lk 10.18). His fall, earlier recalled in prophecy, destined him to hell (Is. 14.12-15) where he will receive his eternal punishment (Jude v. 6; 2 Pt 2.4). Until then, he is resolved not to be in hell alone. His envy has earlier brought death into the world (Wis. 2.24). Now as the 'ruler' of this world (Jn 14.30) and the 'prince' of the powers of the air, he works on the children of unbelief (Eph. 2.2). He has the power to deceive and to seduce people into error and sin (Gen. 3.1-7). A murderer from the beginning, a liar and the father of both lie itself and liars (Jn 8.44), he relentlessly seeks to deceive, and to entice and persuade people to sin, and often, even to possess an individual completely. But, just as Our Lord firmly resisted him and his overtures (Mt 4.1-11), we too must resist him and his wiles, firm in faith, even as he prowls around, looking for someone to devour (1 Pt 5.8-9; Eph. 6.11; Jam. 4.7). It is essentially to defeat him and undo all his works that Our Lord came into the world (1 Jn 3.8).

READINGS AT SUNDAY MASS

1st Reading: **Gen.2.7-9; 3.1-7**; 2nd Reading: **Rom.5,12-19**; Gospel: **Matt 4.1-11**.

Psalms: **Ps 50(51).3-6,12-14,17**: *Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we have sinned.*

Gospel Acclamation: Praise to You, O Christ, King of eternal glory! Man does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Sun., 1st Mar.	+ 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT <i>Office, Week 1</i>	9.00am	Parishioners
		11.00am	Michael Bruton & Joe Kiely, Anni.
		2.00pm	Travellers
		6.00pm	Private Intention
Mon., 2 nd Mar.	Lent Feria	9.30am	Private Intention
Tue., 3 rd Mar.	Lent Feria	9.30am	Private Intention
Wed., 4 th Mar.	Lent Feria	9.30am	Private Intention
Thur., 5 th Mar.	Lent Feria	7.00pm	Turner Family's Intention
Thur., 6 th Mar.	Lent Feria	9.30am	Private Intention
Sat. 7 th Mar.	Lent Feria	12noon	Anointing of the Sick
Sun., 8th Mar.	+ 2ND SUNDAY OF LENT <i>Office, Week 2</i>	9.00am	Parishioners
		11.00am	P. D. Anthony, RIP
		2.00pm	Travellers
		6.00pm	Private Intention

MARYCHURCH/ST THOMAS MORE

Sat. 29 th Feb.	+ 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT <i>Office, Week 1</i>	6.00pm	Parishioners
Sun., 1st Mar.		9.30am (STM)	Peter Logan, RIP
		11.00am	Maurice Scally, RIP
Mon., 2 nd Mar.	Lent Feria	9.30am	Emily and George Waterman, RIP
Tue., 3 rd Mar.	Lent Feria	9.30am	Bill and Raynah Watson, RIP
Wed., 4 th Mar.	Lent Feria	9.30am	George and Lily Simpson, RIP
Thur., 5 th Mar.	Lent Feria	9.30am	Fr Webb, RIP
Thur., 6 th Mar.	Lent Feria	9.30am	Theresa and Constantine Maunganidze
Sat. 7 th Mar.	+ 2ND SUNDAY OF LENT <i>Office, Week 2</i>	6.00pm	Barry Holloway, RIP
Sun., 1st Mar.		9.30am (STM)	Parishioners
		11.00am	Special Intention

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

NOTICES

1st Saturday of the Month: Next Saturday the 7th of March, starting with Adoration/Confessions at 10.30 am, followed by Benediction at 11.45 am, and ending with Mass with Anointing of the Sick at 12 noon. Please join us.

Stations of the Cross every Friday at 7pm. Please join us as we travel with Our Lord along the way of the Cross.

60th Anniversary: A committee has been set up to plan our parish 60th anniversary celebration in 2021. Its members are Christine Kirke, Corine Cornelius, Edwin Ogbebor, Genny Parrott, Jemma Emmans, Lawrence John Wilfred, Lynda O'Reilly (Chairperson), Mary Faithfull, Olive Malsher, and Roshan Senanayake. The committee will welcome any good ideas you may have.

CAFOD Lent Family Fast Day: Friday the 6th is the 60th anniversary of the first Family Fast Day led by our founding mothers. There will be a **Second Collection** next Sunday the 8th for CAFOD. Your generous support will be appreciated.

All EU, EEA, and Swiss citizens living in the UK are required by the government to apply through its Settlement Scheme to continue living, working and accessing services here. The deadline for applications is 30 June 2021. Details and links to the application process can be found at: gov.uk/eusettledstatus. Please bring this to the attention of friends, family members and fellow parishioners who may need to apply. Information on assistance for those who may have difficulty applying is available at: gov.uk/help-eu-settlement-scheme. The Catholic Church

in England and Wales stands in solidarity with all European citizens who have made their homes here. They are a valued part of our parishes, schools and communities.

SVP Annual National Raffle will be held on March the 27th. SVP members will be selling raffle tickets after Mass on Sunday the 16th and 23rd of Feb. and would be grateful for your support. Marychurch and St Peter's SVP conference visit people in their homes, hospitals, etc., provide lifts to hospital, outing for people, practical support such as food, furniture or financial help, among other things. Thank you.

Big Picture Bible Study Course starts today, Sunday March the 1st at 12.15pm in the parish hall. We have purchased extra books so do not worry if you did not order one; just come along. David Payne who produced the material is going to come along to this first session. Remember, there is a Bible study for children aged 5 and over at the same time. Younger children can stay with their parents. If you ordered the book but want to study on your own or with friends at another time, you can get your book from the parish office.

St Patrick Day Lunch in aid of Mary's Meals on Saturday March the 14th in the hall from 12 to 2pm. Menu: Guinness stew, Bacon/cabbage and colcannon mash. Pudding: Baileys cheesecake, Apple pie and Paavola Tea and coffee. Adults £5; children £2.50. More information: Mary 07596973001 or Pauline 07738074614.

***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:
Roshan Senanayake; Email:
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01707275214.

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Pat Malsher: 01707 265530;

MC/STM: Gillian Sutton;
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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

**Proclaim Our Lady of
Fatima Family Rosary:**
Contact: Lucia Federici,
07933 436387; Email:
lucia.federici@mountcarme
lkindergarten.co.uk

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

Weekly Rotas:

Cleaning: From 1 Mar.
Violet and Annah

Flowers: 23 Feb./1 Mar.
Elsie

**“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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