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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:

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, & 6pm (Polish)

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

+ PENTECOST SUNDAY – YEAR A

“He breathed on them, and said to them: ‘Receive the Holy Spirit.’ (John 21.22)

The feast of Pentecost marks the fulfilment of the Lord's and His Father's promise (Lk 24.49), by the descent of the Holy Spirit on the disciples (Acts 2.1-4), to be with us for ever (Jn 14.16), to dwell in us and be in us (Jn 14.17), as a Spring of water welling up to eternal life (Jn 4.14), to teach us all things (Jn 14.26), and to guide us into all the truth (Jn 16.13). The Holy Spirit is the third Person of the Most Holy Trinity. He is the Spirit of God and of Our Lord (Rom. 8.9; Gal. 4.6) with Whom He is equal in glory and majesty, and with Whom He is the one true God. Of the three Persons of the Blessed Trinity, He is the least known and celebrated. We know much about the Father Who created us in the Lord (Eph. 2.10), and through the Lord made all things and sustains them in existence (Jn 1.3; Col. 1.16-17). We also know a lot about Our Lord Who came in His incarnation and lived among us (Jn 1.14), and redeemed us by His precious blood (Eph. 1.7). Yet, the Holy Spirit is the most immediately present to us. Being in our hearts (2 Cor. 1.22; 2 Tim. 1.14), He is very active in our lives. It is through Him that the Father and the Son are present to us. As the Paraclete, the Advocate, the Consoler, He stands by us in all our trials, to defend, encourage, and console us, and, then, to renew us (Ps 104.30). At a time like the one we are experiencing, He is the One to keep us strong, protected, and defended against the present ills, to console us, and to renew our life. “Come O Holy Spirit, and fill the hearts of the faithful, and kindle in them the fire of Your love. Send forth Your Spirit and they shall be created; and You shall renew the face of the earth.”

READINGS AT SUNDAY MASS

1st Reading: Acts 2.1-11; 2nd Reading: 1 Cor. 12.3-7,12-13; Gospel: John 20.19-23.

Psalm: Ps 103(104).1,24,29-31,34: *Send forth Your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.*

Gospel Acclamation: *Alleluia, alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Your faithful, and kindle in them the fire of Your love. Alleluia!*

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

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| Sun., 31st May | + PENTECOST SUNDAY | 10.00am | Parishioners |
| Mon., 1 st Jun. | Mother of the Church | 8.00am | Private Intention |
| Tue., 2 nd Jun. | Feria – 9 th Week | 8.00am | Private Intention |
| Wed., 3 rd Jun. | St Charles Lwanga & Co. | 8.00am | Private Intention |
| Thur., 4 th Jun | Eternal High Priest | 8.00am | Private Intention |
| Fri., 5 th Jun. | St Boiniface | 8.00am | Private Intention |
| Sat. 6 th Jun. | Feria | 8.00am | Private Intention |
| Sun., 7th Jun. | + MOST HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY | 10.00am | Parishioners |

MARYCHURCH/ST THOMAS MORE

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| Tue., 2 nd Jun. | Feria – 9 th Week | 9.30am | William Prendergast, RIP |
| Wed., 3 rd Jun. | St Charles Lwanga & Co. | 9.30am | Bill and Raynah Watson, RIP |
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| Fri., 5 th Jun. | St Boiniface | 9.30am | Private Intention |
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| Sun., 7th Jun. | + MOST HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY | 10.00am | Parishioners |

SICK OR HOUSEBOUND: Please pray for Mike Kavanagh, 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

The Cardinal's video message for Pentecost is available on the diocesan website. You can access it through this link: <https://vimeo.com/421046273>

FEAST OF MARY MOTHER OF THE CHURCH:

Monday the 1st of June is the Feast of Mary Mother of the Church. The feast was instituted by Pope Francis in 2018 and is celebrated on Monday after Pentecost. It is the official and a very special Solemnity of Marychurch which is dedicated to the Mother of God. For those who do not know, the formal name of the parish is **Parish of Mary Mother of the Church**, shortened to Marychurch. The readings for the day are: **1st Reading - Genesis 3:9–15.20 (or Acts 1:12–14); Psalm – Psalm 86 (87): 1–2. 3, 5. 6–7; R/. 3; Gospel – John 19:25–34. HAPPY FEAST DAY** to all our parishioners.

Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, the

Eternal High Priest: Thursday June the 4th is the feast of Our Lord the Eternal High Priest. The feast was instituted in 2018 by Pope Francis, to be celebrated on Thursday after Pentecost. The readings for the day are: **1st Reading – Genesis 22:9–18 (or Hebrews 10:4–10); Psalm – Ps 39(40): 7–8a. 10–11ab. 17; R/. 8a, 9a.; Gospel Acclamation – Phil 2:8–9; Gospel – Matthew 26: 36–42.**

REOPENING OF OUR CHURCHES:

Church leaders in Enaglans and Wales have been talking with the government over the reopening of our churches. There are indications that this will happen in phases and will start not too long from now. The first phase will be to open our churches for individual prayers; public

Mass will come at a later stage. The government will be issuing guidelines for this phased reopening. We will be informed by email of any developments in this regard.

Planned Giving: As we celebrate the most holy Feast in our Christian calendar, we sadly find our beloved church closed, even for individual prayer. Just prior to the lockdown, I was preparing to issue the new boxes of Offertory envelopes. Sadly, this cannot yet happen. Putting monies through the Presbytery letterbox is not advisable. It is a security risk, and also the money would need counting and banking, which is not possible at this time. An alternative for parishioners wishing to continue their financial support for St Peter's is to fill out a Standing Order form. Additionally, for those parishioners paying UK Income Tax, signing a Gift Aid Declaration form (if you have not already done so), will boost your offering by a very welcome 25%, at no cost to you, because of the Church's Charitable Status. If you contact Fr Livie or myself, I can mail you the required forms with instructions for either or both forms. Best wishes, Pat Malsher, Planned Giving and Gift Aid organiser: 01707 265530.

Matrimonial Thanksgiving Mass

scheduled for Saturday the 30th of this month has been cancelled.

Please pray for the peaceful repose of **Mr Malcom McGlave** who died on the 14th., and for his wide and loved ones. There will be a service for him at Harwood Park Crematorium on Thursday, June the 4th.

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

MC/STM: Wed. – Fri.:
8.30am-1.30pm

Safeguarding Officer: SP:
Roshan Senanayake; Email:
hatfieldsouths@safeguardrcdow.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:
1st Thur Monthly at 6pm

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

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

Weekly Rotas:

Cleaning:

Flowers:

**“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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