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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

$+ 14^{TH} SUNDAY - YEAR A$

"Come to Me, all who labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." (Mt 11.28)

In the name of the parish clergy, I am delighted to welcome our parishioners back to our community worship. We also think of our sisters and brothers who are not yet in a position to join us at this stage due to their special circumstances. For the first time since March the 20th, we are at last able to gather this weekend in a public worship, as our parish life gradually returns. We cannot thank God enough for this development. The past eleven weeks of the closure of our church (among others) to all public worship and activities and, consequently, to the Eucharist, have been particularly hard for most of us. No one could have imagined that this year, we would celebrate the cardinal mysteries of our faith - the Paschal mysteries - the way we did. Thank God, the awful experience is now behind us. We are already starting to see the light at the end of the tunnel. The much-loved and most comforting words of Our Lord quoted above from today's gospel could not have come at a better time than this weekend. Both the pandemic and the resultant lockdown have laid an enormous emotional burden and taken a heavy toll on all of us. Thankfully, we have been able to cope. As we begin the gradual return of our lives to normalcy, we believe that the grace of our shared hope in God's goodness will enable us to recover from our experience of great distress and keep our spirit unconquered, courageous enough to deal with our lingering fears about the future. Our Lord is able, and He will see us safely through the challenges of the moment. He will bring us to the experience of true peace and joy.

READINGS AT SUNDAY MASS

1st Reading: **Zech. 9.9-10**; 2nd Reading: **Rom. 8.9,11-13**; Gospel: **Mt 11.25-30**.

Psalm: Ps 145(144).1-2,8-11,13b-14: I will bless Your name forever, O God my King. 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

Sat. 4 th Jul.		6.00pm	Private Intention
	+ 14 TH SUNDAY	9.00am	Private Intention
Sun., 5 th Jul.	Office, Week 2	11.00am	Parishioners
	Syree, week 2	2.00pm	Traveller Community
		6.00pm	Private Intention
Mon., 6th Jul.	Feria	9.30am	Private Intention
Tue., 7 th Jul.	Feria	9.30am	Private Intention
Wed., 8th Jul.	Feria	9.30am	Private Intention
Thur., 9th Jul	Feria	9.30am	Private Intention
Fri., 10 th Jul.	Feria	10.30am	Private Intention
Sat. 11 th Jul.	St Benedict	6.00pm	Private Intention
		9.00am	Private Intention
	+ 15 TH SUNDAY	11.00am	Parishioners
Sun., 12th Jul.	Office, Week 3	2.00pm	Traveller Community
		6.00pm	Private Intention

MARYCHURCH/ST THOMAS MORE

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Thur., 9 th Jul	Feria	9.30am	Private Intention
Fri., 10 th Jul.	Feria	9.30am	Doris Thomas, RIP
Sat., 11 th Jul.	+ 15 TH SUNDAY Office, Week 3	6.00pm	Private Intention
Sun., 12 th Jul.		9.30am	Parishioners
		11.00am	Beverley Atkins, RIP, & Family

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

NOTICES

REOPENING OF OUR CHURCH:

We are reopening our church for public Mass this weekend. At this initial stage:

- Please observe the Social Distancing rule;
- The Sunday Mass obligation remains suspended. Everyone 70 years old or above, and all vulnerable people are advised not to attend Mass;
- All are requested to observe all the hygiene protocols, and to follow the one-way direction;
- Communion will be only on the palm stretched out to the priest full length;
- Please put your Offering in the basket at the exit point as you leave the church at the end of Mass;
- There will be no singing during Mass;
- More volunteers are needed to help clean the pews and the church after each Mass. Please, give a helping hand at the end of Mass
- During weekdays and Sunday, the church will be open for private prayer 30 minutes before Mass each day and will be locked immediately after Mass.

<u>Weddings and Funerals</u> can now take place in the church. Please contact the Parish Clergy if you wish to arrange any.

<u>Confessions:</u> The priest are available for confessions. Please contact them to arrange a suitable time.

<u>Baptisms</u> can be celebrated, but the guideline is not yet out. Please contact the Parish Clergy if you are hoping to have your child baptised.

<u>Planned Giving</u>: We thank God that our beloved church is now open

for individual prayer and Mass, . 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 Additionally. for those form. 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 required forms you the with instructions for either or both forms. Best wishes, Pat Malsher, Planned Giving and Gift Aid organiser: 01707 265530

Please prayer for the peaceful repose of Canon Vincent Berry and Canon Christopher Joseph Tuckwell (75), two priests of the archdiocese. Canon Christopher died on June the 26th.

<u>Parish Office</u>: SP: Tue., Thur., Fri.: 9.00am-2.00pm;

MC/STM: Wed. – Fri.: 8.30am-1.30pm

Safeguarding Officer: SP: Roshan Senanayake; Email: hatfieldsouthsg@safeguardrcd ow.org.uk:

MC/STM: Angela Madden 01707275214.

Planned Giving: SP:

Pat Malsher: 01707 265530;

MC/STM: Gillian Sutton; Parish Secretary: 01707262439

<u>Lead Catechist</u>: Linda Graham, 07768777768

<u>Hall Booking</u>: Enquiries to: **SP:** Parish Secretary; **MC/STM:** Parish Secretary

<u>Baptism</u>: See Parish Priest. Preparation is obligatory

<u>Confessions</u>: **SP:** Sat., 11am - 12 noon; 5-5.30 pm;

MC/STM: Sat., 5-5.45pm; or by request

<u>Marriage</u>: 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

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

<u>Tea & Coffee</u>: 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 <u>Hospital</u>: 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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