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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: 9.30am  
Thur.: 7pm; Sat.: 10.30am

#### **Holy Days of**

#### **Obligation:**

Mass: 9.30am & 7pm

#### **Eucharistic Adoration**

Sat. 11.00am – 12 noon

#### **Morning Prayer:**

Mon.-Wed., Fri.: 9.10am

### **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

## **+ 19<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY – YEAR A**

### **“O you of little faith, why did you doubt?” (Mt 14.31)**

The Scripture defines Faith as “the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen” (Heb. 11.1). By faith, we rationally accept “with no doubting” (Jam. 1.6) that certain propositions are absolutely true. Our certainty comes, not from us or from anything that is within the reach of our natural vision, but from the truthfulness of God Who can neither deceive nor be deceived. Faith is, thus, the fruit of grace given to us, not by “flesh and blood”, but by the Father Who is in heaven’ (Mt 16.17; cf. Mt 11.25). In this sense, faith enables us to accept with total conviction everything that God has revealed. The same faith enables us to commit ourselves wholly to God, to trust Him with all our heart, and to resign ourselves completely to Him, that He may work in us, and through us, in order to accomplish His kind purposes for us. The grace of this faith transcends our nature and enables us to do extraordinary things that are totally above that nature. With it, we can walk on water, as St Peter in today’s gospel did (cf. Mt 14.29); we can heal the sick only by laying our hands on them (Mk 16.18); we can move mountains (Mt 17,20-21), and command the sycamine tree to be uprooted and planted in the sea, and it would obey us (Lk 17.6); we can raise the dead to life, as did St Peter (cf. Acts 3.36-42); we can even stop the sun from setting, as did Joshua (Jos. 10.10-15), or the rain from falling for years (cf. 1 Kg 17.1). Indeed, with faith, ‘we can do all things in Him who strengthens us’ (Phil. 4.13). On the other hand, in the absence of this faith and the help from above that goes with it, we are confined to the limits that our nature imposes, and even for us to do the ordinary things of life will be with considerable difficulties.

## READINGS AT SUNDAY MASS

1<sup>st</sup> Reading **1 Kg 19.9,11-13**; 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: **Rom. 9.1-5**; Gospel: **Mt 14.22-33**.

Psalm: **Ps 85(84).9-14**: *Let us see, O Lord, Your mercy, and give us Your saving help.*

**Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Blessings on the King Who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, ad glory in the highest heavens! Alleluia!**

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## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

<b>Sun., 9<sup>th</sup> Aug.</b>	<b>+ 19<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY</b> <i>Office, Week 3</i>	<b>9.00am</b>	Kelechi and Family
		<b>11.00am</b>	Joshua Ndi, Birthday
		<b>2.00pm</b>	Travellers
		<b>6.00pm</b>	Parishioners
Mon., 10 <sup>th</sup> Aug.	St Lawrence	9.30am	
Tue., 11 <sup>th</sup> Aug.	St Clare	9.30am	
Wed., 12 <sup>th</sup> Aug.	Feria	9.30am	
Thur., 13 <sup>th</sup> Aug.	Feria	7.00pm	
Fri., 14 <sup>th</sup> Aug.	St Maximilian Kolbe	12.30am	<b>Funeral Mass of James Chattfield</b>
Sat., 15 <sup>th</sup> Aug.	Feria	10.30am	Mary Davin, RIP
<b>Sun., 16<sup>th</sup> Aug.</b>	<b>+ ASSUMPTION OF VIRGIN MARY</b> <i>Office, Week 4</i>	<b>9.00am</b>	Mary Davin, RIP
		<b>11.00am</b>	Parishioners
		<b>2.00pm</b>	Travellers
		<b>6.00pm</b>	

## MARYCHURCH/ST THOMAS MORE

Sat., 1 <sup>st</sup> Aug.	+ 19 <sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY <i>Office, Week 3</i>	6.00pm	Bridie & John Slean, RIP; Kay O'Brien
Sun., 2 <sup>nd</sup> Aug.		9.30am	Parishioners
		11.00am	Keith Thomas
Mon., 10 <sup>th</sup> Aug.	St Lawrence	9.30am	
Tue., 11 <sup>th</sup> Aug.	St Clare	9.30am	Jim Chattfield, RIP
Wed., 12 <sup>th</sup> Aug.	Feria	7.30pm	
Thur., 13 <sup>th</sup> Aug.	Feria	9.30am	Ruth & Kevin Herbkersman
Fri., 14 <sup>th</sup> Aug.	St Maximilian Kolbe	9.30am	
Sat., 15 <sup>th</sup> Aug.	+ ASSUMPTION	6.00pm	The Watson Family
Sun., 16 <sup>th</sup> Aug.	OF VIRGIN MARY <i>Office, Week 4</i>	9.30am	Lucia Mario, 90 <sup>th</sup> Birthday
		11.00am	Parishioners

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

## NOTICES

**Saturday is the Solemnity of Our Lady's Assumption. The feast has been moved and will be celebrated next Sunday.**

**Gift Aid Form:** If you are a UK taxpayer, the church can claim from the government 25% of your contribution to it at no extra cost to you. All you need to do is sign the Gift Aid Form. Also, due to the risks involved in handling cash, please consider making your contribution to the parish by Standing Order. To do so, also complete the section in the Gift Aid Form and return it to the parish office. The form is on the tables in the entrance and the exit porches.

**RCIA & First Holy Communion** can now take place. Those concerned are requested to contact their catechists.

### **Public Health:**

- **More Stewards are still needed for Sunday Mass. Please consider volunteering, and sign up through this link: <https://signup.com/go/WxMtFPa>;**
- **The wearing of face mask in the church is now obligatory;** please ensure you come to Mass in one. Readers can remove theirs while reading at the lectern, but should put them back the moment they finish;
- Each time you attend Mass, please complete the attendance card on the table in the side porch as you enter the church, in keeping with the government's Test and Trace guideline;

- Please observe the rule on Social Distancing and limit your interaction with non-members of your family;
- Please observe all the hygiene protocols, and follow the one-way direction;
- Please put your Offering in the basket at the exit point as you leave the church at the end of Mass;
- Volunteers will continue to be needed to clean the church after each Mass. Many thanks to all who have helped;
- The church is open for private prayer 30 minutes before Mass each day and will be closed immediately after Mass.

**Baptisms, Weddings, and Funerals** can now take place in the church. Please contact the Parish Clergy if you wish to arrange any.

**Mary's Meal:** Thank you to parishioners who donated to Mary's meals recently. Mary and Pauline are working on new ideas to continue the support for Mary's Meals. Future updates will also be available on Facebook.

**2020 Chrism Mass:** The Cardinal will celebrate this year's postponed Chrism Mass in the cathedral on September the 14 with only the deans present. The Mass will be streamed live online. The time is yet to be announced.

Please pray for the peaceful repose of **Jim Chatfield** who died on Saturday the 1<sup>st</sup>. His funeral Mass will be on **Friday the 14<sup>th</sup> at 12.30pm.**

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

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

**Safeguarding Officer: SP:**  
Roshan Senanayake; Email:  
[hatfieldsouthsg@safeguardrcdow.org.uk](mailto:hatfieldsouthsg@safeguardrcdow.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:  
[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:

#### 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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