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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.

**+ ASSUMPTION OF BVM – YEAR A**

**MASS TIMES**

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**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



**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

**“Blessed is she who believed that what was spoken to her from the Lord would be fulfilled.”** (Lk 1.45)

The Assumption of Virgin Mary was dogmatically defined and promulgated by Pope Pius XII on 1 November 1950. The definition followed that of her Immaculate Conception in 1854 by Pius IX. Long before then, the Council of Ephesus had in AD 325 defined her as *Theotokos* – the Mother of God. From that motherhood came her identity as the Mother also of the Church. All these dogmas about her flow into each other and form a single statement about her. She had the singular privilege of being chosen from all eternity by God to be the mother of God-made-flesh (Jn 1.14). That she might be the worthy mother of “the Son of the Most High” (Lk 1.32) Who was called “holy, the Son of God” (Lk 1.35), Mary was preserved from every stain of sin, from the first, till the last moment of her earthly life. For that purpose, she was the only person in all of humanity to be “full of grace” (Lk 1.28). The eternal Word of God suffered death in His flesh, but the flesh which He took from that of Virgin Mary did not experience corruption after His death (Acts 2.31); instead, it was raised in power, imperishable, immortal, spiritual (1 Cor. 15.42-56), and glorious (Phil. 3.21). Since it was impossible for Him to know corruption in His body, it was equally impossible that His mother from whom He took His body would experience the corruption of her body. Thus, at the end of her earthly life, she definitively overcame the grave by the grace of her Son’s resurrection, and was assumed body and soul into the glory of heaven. In her own case, and as an example of the hope to which we are called, death and the corruption of the grave were in victory completely swallowed up (1 Cor. 15.55; cf. Hos. 13.14).

**READINGS AT SUNDAY MASS**

1st Reading **Apoc.11.19; 12.1-6,10;** 2nd Reading: **1 Cor. 15.20-26;** Gospel: **Lk 1.39-56.**

Psalm: **Ps 45(44).10-12,16: *On Your right stands the queen in garments of gold.***

**Gospel Acclamation*: Alleluia, alleluia! Mary has been taken up to heaven; all the choirs of angels are rejoicing. Alleluia!***

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| **MASSES FOR THE WEEK** | | | |
| **Sun., 16th Aug.** | **+ ASSUMPTION OF VIRGIN MARY**  *Office, Week 4* | **9.00am** | Mary Davin, RIP |
| **11.00am** | Parishioners |
| **2.00pm** | Travellers |
| **6.00pm** | Stefano Federici and Family |
| Mon., 17th Aug. | Feria | 9.30am | Anais Saduwe-Barcatali, 9th BD |
| Tue., 18th Aug. | Feria | 9.30am | Mary Davin, RIP |
| Wed., 19th Aug. | Feria | 9.30am |  |
| Thur., 20th Aug. | St Bernard | 7.00pm |  |
| Fri., 21st Aug. | St Pius X | 9.30am |  |
| Sat., 22nd Aug. | Queenship of BVM | 10.30am |  |
| **Sun., 23rd Aug.** | **+ 21ST SUNDAY**  *Office, Week 1* | **9.00am** | Jim Chatfield, RIP |
| **11.00am** | Parishioners |
| **2.00pm** | Travellers |
| **6.00pm** | Caroline Wargo-Saduwe, A. |

**MARYCHURCH/ST THOMAS MORE**

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| **Sat., 15th Aug.** | **+ ASSUMPTION OF VIRGIN MARY**  *Office, Week 4* | **6.00pm** | The Watson Family |
| **Sun., 16th Aug.** | **9.30am** | Lucia Mario, 90th Birthday |
| **11.00am** | Parishioners |
| Mon., 17th Aug. | Feria | 9.30am |  |
| Tue., 18th Aug. | Feria | 9.30am |  |
| Wed., 19th Aug. | Feria | 7.30pm | Sr Jo Chambers |
| Thur., 20th Aug. | St Bernard | 9.30am |  |
| Fri., 21st Aug. | St Pius X | 9.30am |  |
| Sat., 22nd Aug. | **+ 21ST SUNDAY**  *Office, Week 1* | **6.00pm** | Parishioners |
| **Sun., 23rd Aug.** | **9.30am** | Elias & Noemi Gonsalves, RIP |
| **11.00am** | William Prendergast, RIP |

**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**

**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**](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 guieline;
* 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 a lovely total of £222.50 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.

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**Weekly Rotas:**

**Cleaning:**

**Flowers:**

**Monthly Offertory Collection**

**Thank you.**

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

phone.

**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.

**Catholic Chaplaincy Lister Hospital:** John O’Neil,

[01438 285518](tel:01438%20285138)

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

**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

**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;

**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

**Parish Priest:** **Fr Livie Onyebuchi msp; Email:** [**livinusonyebuchi@rcdow.org.uk**](mailto:livinusonyebuchi@rcdow.org.uk)

**Assistant Priest: Fr Francis Agada msp; Email: francisagada@rcdow.org.uk**

**“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.***

**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