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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:**

9.15am, 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

## **+ 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY – YEAR B**

**“Speak, Lord, for Your servant hears.” 1 Sam. 3.9)**

We learn from the Scripture that “faith comes from what is heard, and what is heard comes from the preaching of Christ” (Rom. 10.17). Hearing in this sense does not mean hearing mere sounds with our ears, but hearing sounds with meaning, hearing with our hearts and with understanding, taking in what we hear, so it can take root in us and bear its fruit. To hear in this way, we need to listen with attention. But we cannot listen while we are talking or full of noise. God speaks to us all the time – in and through each person we meet, and every event and experience of our life. In one major respect, the Israelites of the time of God’s public revelation differed from all other peoples; guided by the Holy Spirit, they saw the hand of God in all that happened to them – in their experience of abundance, success, victory, liberation, and peace, but also in that of failure, famine, war, and hardship. Their national consciousness was such that they saw in their collective experience a revelation of God’s will, and an instruction for their life. They saw all that experience from the viewpoint of their relationship with God. In and through the experience seen in that perspective, the Holy Spirit revealed God’s holy will and generated the sacred Scripture. We are at a very critical point in our history. Someone has asked – and rightly – what God is saying to us in and through the pandemic, whether by the global devastating activity of that microscope virus, He is showing up the folly of human wisdom (1 Cor. 3.19), and the weakness of human might (cf. Lk 1.46-56). Whatever it is, He is most certainly saying something to us. We can grasp that message only when we truly listen and keep Him in the discussion on this issue.

## READINGS AT SUNDAY MASS

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: **1 Sam. 3.3-10,19**; 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: **1 Cor. 6.13-15,17-20**; Gospel: **Jn 1.35-42**.

Psalm: **Ps 39(40).2,4,7-10: *Here I am, Lord! I come to do Your will.***

**Gospel Acclamation: *Alleluia, alleluia! Speak, Lord, Your servant is listening; You have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!***

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## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

<b>Sun., 17<sup>th</sup> Jan.</b>	<b>+ 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY</b> <i>Office, Week 2</i>	<b>9.00am</b>	
		<b>11.00am</b>	Parishioners
		<b>2.00pm</b>	Christy A. Torrens
		<b>6.00pm</b>	Simon Doherty, God's Protection
Mon., 18 <sup>th</sup> Jan.	Feria	9.30am	
Tue., 19 <sup>th</sup> Jan.	Feria	9.30am	
Wed., 20 <sup>th</sup> Jan.	Feria	9.30am	
Thur., 21 <sup>st</sup> Jan.	St Agnes	7.00pm	John & Joslin Britto, 25 <sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary
Fri., 22 <sup>nd</sup> Jan.	Feria	9.30am	
Sat., 23 <sup>rd</sup> Jan.	Feria	10.30am	
<b>Sun., 24<sup>th</sup> Jan.</b>	<b>+ 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY</b> <i>Office, Week 3</i>	<b>9.00am</b>	
		<b>11.00am</b>	Parishioners
		<b>2.00pm</b>	Travellers
		<b>6.00pm</b>	

## MARYCHURCH/ST THOMAS MORE

Sat., 16 <sup>th</sup> Jan.	+ 2 <sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY <i>Office, Week 2</i>	6.00am	Kathleen O’Brien, RIP
Sun., 17 <sup>th</sup> Jan.		9.30am (STM)	Parishioners
		11.00am	Special Intention
Mon., 18 <sup>th</sup> Jan.	Feria	9.30am	Remy Stephens, RIP
Tue., 19 <sup>th</sup> Jan.	Feria	9.30am	Teresa Hopkins
Wed., 20 <sup>th</sup> Jan.	Feria	7.30pm	
Thur., 21 <sup>st</sup> Jan.	St Agnes	9.30am	
Fri., 22 <sup>nd</sup> Jan.	Feria	9.30am	
Sat., 23 <sup>rd</sup> Jan.	+ 3 <sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY <i>Office, Week 3</i>	6.00pm	Special Intention
Sun., 24 <sup>th</sup> Jan.		9.30am (STM)	Maurice Ashwell, RIP
		11.00am	Kathleen O’Brien

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

## NOTICES

**SPH Food Bank:** We have decided to provide a Food Bank for families in need at school. Please feel free to refer anyone from the parish to us and they are welcome to help themselves to what they need. If they need more than we can provide and are in serious need of help then I can speak to the proper Food Bank and would be able to issue them a voucher to go there.

**Covid-19 Vaccination:** During the week Pope Francis with Benedict XVI received his Covid-19 vaccination in the Vatican, to underline the fact that it is morally good and acceptable to do so. Everyone who has the opportunity is therefore strongly advised to get the jab to protect both themselves and other people from infection with the virus.

**2021 Confirmations:** The forms for the 2021 confirmations are now out. Intending candidates are requested to collect, complete, and return the forms to the parish office before the end of the year.

**2021 RCIA Programme:** The programme is for any adult – baptised or unbaptised – who wants to become a Catholic, and for Catholics who are no longer young children, but are yet to make their First Holy Communion or Confirmation. All interested candidates are requested to collect, complete, and return the forms to the parish office before the end of the year.

**More Stewards and Cleaners** continue to be needed. Please, let the priests know if you would like to help.

**BOOKING OF MASS:** The Holy Mass is Our Lord's perfect prayer, our greatest and most efficacious prayer. In offering it we

unite ourselves and our intentions with the Lord in praise, in thanksgiving, and in petition. If you wish to have a Holy Mass offered for any intention of yours, please contact the parish office or complete the **Mass Intention envelope** at the back of the church and give it to the priest. The diocese encourages a voluntary offering of £10 for each Mass intention.

**New National Lockdown:** Communal worship (including Mass, prayer, baptism, funeral, etc.) continues to be allowed in the current lockdown. While attending the event, please observe these guidelines:

- Face covering must be worn at all times while inside the church, unless you are exempt;
- Maintain social distancing at all times;
- Sanitise your hands while entering and leaving the church;
- Follow the instructions of stewards;
- Do not mingle with anyone outside your household or support bubble;
- Mass may be attended by the number of people up to the church's capacity, allowing for social distancing;
- There should be no congregational singing;
- No more than six people should attend baptisms outside of Mass;
- Weddings planned for the next 6 weeks should be postponed;
- Classes for First Holy Communion and Confirmation should be online;
- The church should be cleaned after use.

Please pray for the peaceful repose of **Mgr Mark Anthony Edmund Langham, 61**, who died on the 15<sup>th</sup> of January.

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

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

**Safeguarding Officer: SP:**  
Sue McLellen; Email:  
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**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: 18 – 23 Jan.**

**Violet & Annah**

**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:**

Please use the box on the  
table at the back of Church,  
if you wish to express a  
suggestion or comment on

**Monthly Offertory Collection**

**Thank you.**

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

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