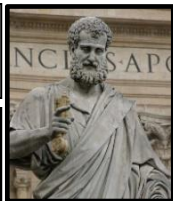


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OUR MISSION STATEMENT



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 – 11.30 am

Morning Prayer:

Suspended for now.

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:

Suspended for now.

+ 6TH SUNDAY – YEAR B

Moved with pity, Jesus stretched out His hand and touched the leper, curing him. (Mark 1.41)

A religious woman once shocked many people by standing with sex workers at night in a red-light district of a major city. That's not the sort of place most decent people, let alone religious, go. In her own case, especially at the early stage, her motive and action were utterly misunderstood. But far from encouraging prostitution, her purpose was totally holy. She believed that by standing with the ladies in the cold and wind, and under the rain, by meeting them where they were, and by sharing with them in true friendship, she might be able to persuade at least some of them to take to a different lifestyle. Shocking as it was, her approach was right. She was actually trying to follow in the footsteps of the Lord Who on more than one occasion was Himself accused of hanging out and eating and drinking too much with tax collectors and sinners, and being a friend to them (Mt 11.19; Lk 7.34). For all those who failed to understand, Our Lord's attitude to and treatment of moral outcasts – the ones who eagerly sought His company (Lk 15.1) – was an unpardonable scandal, and they had to be corrected (Lk 5.29-32; Mt 9.10-13). In fact, He came, not to segregate wrongdoers, but to embrace them. His incarnation was a descent to the realm of moral weakness, but without letting Himself be polluted by the weakness (Heb. 4.15), so that He would raise high all those held down by that weakness. He took to Himself our sinful flesh in order to condemn sin in the flesh (Rom. 8.3; Heb. 2.14). He identified with sinners without sinning, so as to lead sinners to grace and glory. In Him, therefore, all social and moral outcasts find acceptance in unconditional love.

READINGS AT SUNDAY MASS

1st Reading: **Lev.13.1-2,44-46**; 2nd Reading: **1 Cor. 10.31-11.1**; Gospel: **Mark 1.40-45**.
 Psalm: **Ps 31(32).1-2,5,11**: *You are my refuge, O Lord; You fill me with the joy of salvation.*

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! May the Father of Our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our minds, so that we can see what hope His call holds for us. Alleluia!

MASS DURING THE WEEK

Sun., 14th Feb.	+ 6TH SUNDAY <i>Office, Week 1</i>	9.00am	Parishioners
		11.00am	Michael Doherty
		2.00pm	
		6.00pm	Ian Loh, 40 th Birthday
Mon., 15 th Feb.	Feria	9.30am	
Tue., 16 th Feb.	Feria	9.30am	
Wed., 17 th Feb.	ASH WEDNESDAY	9.30am	Michael Doherty
		7.00pm	
Thur., 18 th Feb.	Lent Feria	7.00pm	
Fri., 19 th Feb.	Lent Feria	9.30am	
Sat., 20 th Feb.	Lent Feria	10.30am	Francis Steve Stephen, RIP, & the Stephen Family
Sun., 21st Feb.	+ 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT <i>Office, Week 2</i>	9.00am	Parishioners
		11.00am	Thomas Kiely, RIP
		2.00pm	
		6.00pm	

MARYCHURCH/ST THOMAS MORE

Sat., 13 th Feb.	+ 6TH SUNDAY <i>Office, Week 1</i>	6.00am	
Sun., 14 th Feb.		9.30am (STM)	
		11.00am	Parishioners
Mon., 15 th Feb.	Feria	9.30am	
Tue., 16 th Feb.	Feria	9.30am	
Wed., 17 th Feb.	ASH WEDNESDAY	9.30am	
		7.30pm	Emily & George Waterman, RIP
Thur., 18 th Feb.	Lent Feria	9.30am	
Thur., 19 th Feb.	Lent Feria	9.30am	
Fri., 20 th Feb.	+ 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT <i>Office, Week 2</i>	6.00pm	
Sun., 21 st Feb.		9.30am (STM)	
		11.00am	Parishioners

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, Michael Doherty, and Jack Cook.

NOTICES

Ash Wednesday comes up on Wed. the 17th to start the Lenten Season. Mass and sprinkling with ashes will take place both in the morning and in the evening. If you will be unable to attend either Mass, you can hold a simple service in your home using the approved formula. If you need a copy of the formula, please contact the Parish Clergy.

Lenten Programmes: Stations of the Cross will as usual be in the church every Friday at 7pm and may be live-streamed on Facebook and YouTube. Other planned programmes include:

- A 30-minute session of prayer and reflection every Thursday at 7pm;
- The 'Big Picture' programme on our faith (day and time to be determined);
- A diocesan programme titled "No Greater Love"; and
- 6 Bible Studies on the Lenten Sunday Gospels every Wednesday, 7-8.30pm. Information and free registration are available at <https://comeandsee.org/lent>.

Parish Outreach: We have have wanted to reach all our parishioners particularly at these difficult times. Unfortunately we do not have the contact of every one, and many of the contacts in our register are no longer current. For that reason, we have begun to update our parish register. We request that if you are not currently in our mailing list, or know someone in that position, kindly send us the relevant email address or phone number. Thank you for your assistance.

SPH Food Bank: SPH has decided to provide a Food Bank for families in need at school. Please feel free to refer anyone from the parish to the school, and they are welcome to help themselves to what they need. If they need more than the school can provide and are in serious need of help, the school can speak to the proper Food Bank and would be able to issue them a voucher to go there. **Any parishioner who wishes to donate to this foodbank is welcome to drop off the donation at the parish house and it will be delivered to St Philip Howard's. Thanks.**

The Passage's 40 years of service to homeless people. To mark 40 years of service to homeless people this Lent, we have produced 40 reflections for Lent each marking a year of service and reflecting on the needs of homeless people today. If you would like to share in our Lenten journey, please contact Andrew Hollingsworth: andrew.h@passage.org.uk ; Tel. 020 75921886. We plan to distribute all materials electronically in the interests of being both environmentally aware and saving costs. If you do not have access to the internet we can send print-friendly versions to a friend or relative by email.

The cremation service of the late **Mr David Ronald Barham**, a former parishioner and parish will now take place on Wednesday February the 17th at 4pm at Waveney Memorial Park & Crematorium, Suffolk. You can follow the service online at **<https://www.obitus.com>**; **Username: Rale1663; Password: 198062.**

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

MC/STM: Wed. – Fri.:
8.30am-1.30pm

Safeguarding Officer: SP:
Sue McLellen; Email:
hatfieldsouthsg@safeguardrcdow.org.uk, 07710978770.
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: Only on
request for now.

MC/STM: Only on request
for now.

Marriage: See Parish Priest; 6
months' notice required;
Preparation is obligatory

Sacred Heart Novena: SP:
Suspended for now;
MC/STM: Suspended for
now.

Rosary: SP/MC: Suspended
for now.

**Novena to Our Lady of
Perpetual Succour:**
Suspended for now.

Christian Meditation: MC:
Suspended for now.
Hatfield SVP: 07960785673

St Pio Prayer Group: SP:
Suspended for now.

**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.

**“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

Weekly Rotas:

Cleaning: Feb. 15 – 20

Violet and Annah

Flowers:

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