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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.

+ LENT 4TH SUNDAY – YEAR B

“The Son of Man must be lifted up.” (Jn 3.14)

During His conversation with Nicodemus, that leading Jew who visited Him at night (Jn 3.1-21), Our Lord spoke of the necessity of Him in His human nature as the ‘Son of Man’, being lifted up, as Moses lifted up the bronze serpent in the wilderness (Num. 21.1-9). That would happen so that anyone who believes in no other but the One who was lifted up and looks on Him Who was pierced (Jn 19.37; Zech. 12.10), might have eternal life (Jn 3.14). He stressed this necessity further while responding to a request by some Greeks to have an audience with Him. On that occasion, He said: “I, when I am lifted up from the earth, shall draw all men to Myself” (Jn 12.32). He was literally lifted up from the earth when, having been nailed to it, and still hanging on it, the Cross was raised up. There on that Cross, He shed His Blood in expiation for the sins of all the world (1 Jn 2.2; Rom. 3.25); and bleeding to death still there, He paid the price of our sins (1 Pt 2.24; 1 Cor. 6.20; 7.23) and set us free (Gal. 5.1). The Cross is thus the symbol of salvation, not by its own merit – for in itself, it was nothing more than wood – but by virtue of Him Who hung and died upon it. People who were bitten by the deadly snake got cured by looking at the bronze snake raised up on a standard in the wilderness. Now, those who look at the One who was raised on the standard of the Cross all find salvation. Thus, from being an instrument of torture, disgrace, and painful death, the Cross has become the instrument by which Satan is vanquished, evil and death are overcome, and eternal life and glory are offered to all. So, we glory in naught except the Cross of Our Lord by which the world is crucified to us, and we are crucified to the world (Gal. 6.14).

READINGS AT SUNDAY MASS

1st Reading: **2 Chron. 36.14-16,19-23**; 2nd Reading: **Eph. 2.4-10**; Gospel: **John 3.14-21**.
 Psalm: **Ps 136(137).1-6**: *O let my tongue cleave to my mouth if I remember You not.*
Gospel Acclamation: Glory and praise to You, O Christ! God loved the world so much that He gave His only Son; everyone who believes in Him has eternal life. Glory . . .

MASS DURING THE WEEK

Sun., 14th Mar.	+ 4TH SUNDAY OF LENT <i>Office, Week 4</i>	9.00am	Ronald Lawrie, RIP
		11.00am	Miss Anusha Fernandez, RIP
		2.00pm	
		6.00pm	Parishioners
Mon., 15 th Mar.	Lent Feria	9.30am	
Tue., 16 th Mar.	Lent Feria	9.30am	
Wed., 17 th Mar.	St Patrick (F)	9.30am	Joshua Gallegos, RIP
Thur., 18 th Mar.	Lent Feria	7.00pm	
Fri., 19 th Mar.	ST JOSEPH (S)	9.30am	Ronald Lawrie, RIP
Sat., 20 th Mar.	Lent Feria	10.30am	
Sun., 21st Mar.	+ 5TH SUNDAY OF LENT <i>Office, Week 1</i>	9.00am	Ronald Lawrie, RIP
		11.00am	Maria & Isaiah Onyebuchi, RIP
		2.00pm	
		6.00pm	Parishioners

MARYCHURCH/ST THOMAS MORE

Sun., 13 th Mar.	+ 4 TH SUNDAY OF LENT <i>Office, Week 4</i>	6.00am	Ruth & Kevin Herbkersman’s Int.
Sun., 14 th Mar.		9.30am (STM)	Parishioners
		11.00am	Kathleen Rhine, RIP
Mon., 15 th Mar.	Lent Feria	9.30am	
Tue., 16 th Mar.	Lent Feria	9.30am	
Wed., 17 th Mar.	St Patrick (F)	7.30pm	
Thur., 18 th Mar.	Lent Feria	9.30am	
Fri., 19 th Mar.	ST JOSEPH (S)	9.30am	Lynette Belch, RIP
Sat., 20 th Mar.	+ 5 TH SUNDAY OF LENT <i>Office, Week 1</i>	6.00pm	John & Bridie O’Brien
Sun., 21 st Mar.		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

Easter Flower Collection: This weekend we are having a 2nd Collection for the Easter Flower. Thank you for your generous support.

Our many thanks to an anonymous person who has donated £100 for the Easter Flower. May she be richly blessed.

Online Live Streaming: Our public worship is being live-streamed online – Sunday Mass at 11.00 am; Stations of the Cross on Friday at 7pm. You can join on this Youtube channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCcqVz9i7ILtGAeoYrvur1zw>

Lenten Prayer/Reflection Week 4,
Tuesday March the 16th, 7.30-8.30 pm:
Zoom link:

<https://us05web.zoom.us/j/81804517571?pwd=VzFXLzdEZitOVVRvMjlhMVVvWDFRZz09>

Meeting ID: **818 0451 7571**
Passcode: **90BU0k**

Stations of the Cross takes place in the church every Friday at 7.00 pm. All are welcome to join us.

We are approaching the end of the Tax year 2020/2021. If you no longer pay income tax, please let us now. If we could claim the tax you paid whilst earning the offertory you have given to the church, please ask for a Gift Aid Declaration Form to be sent to you.

Youth Ministry: The Youth Group plans to start the youth programme online with the post-Communion children. The initial programme will involve games. An Alpha programme for teenagers will follow later.

2021 Confirmations: Applications for this year's programme are still welcome. Intending candidates are requested to collect, complete, and return the forms to the parish office. The forms can also be downloaded online from the parish microsite.

On **Wednesday the 24th of March**, the Vigil of the Annunciation, please pray and fast for the end of abortion and euthanasia in this country. On this month's **Day of Prayer and Fasting for Life**, we are especially asking you to fast and pray for the end of DIY abortions at home. Please join in and invite others to join as well. **<https://www.facebook.com/events/725021905067267>**

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.

Weekly Rotas:

Cleaning: Mar. 15 – 20

Violet and Annah

**“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.

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phone

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