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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.

+ 4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER – YEAR B

I am the Good Shepherd; I know My own and My own know Me. (John 10.11)

When the Bible speaks of knowing someone or something, it often uses the term 'knowing' in a sense that is much broader and deeper than saying that the person merely has accurate information about the object of that knowledge. The Bible also uses the term to convey the idea of someone entering into the personal space of another in a manner that is intimate and generative. It is in this sense that Adam (insofar as he could generate a new life with a woman) was said to 'know' his wife Eve and she conceived of Cain (Gen. 4.1). In its essence, God's knowledge is communicative and creative. In knowing us God communicates His life to us, creating us and giving us existence, just as in knowing the rest of creation, He measuredly communicates Himself to it and brings it into existence. That is, God's knowledge (which is absolutely perfect) brings things about, since in Him, knowing and willing and loving and creating are one and the same thing. Of the prophet Jeremiah, He says: Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you (Jer. 1.5). When it comes to us, one thing to recognise is the imperfection of our knowledge (1 Cor. 13.9); so, we totally lack the power to cause anything to exist by us knowing or willing it. We know God in Christ, not to cause Him to exist, nor simply to fill our minds with that knowledge of Him from which we can be detached, but precisely to enter into a communion of love with Him. This is the knowledge that the Scripture defines equivalently as eternal life (Jn 17.3). But we will not be able to know God in love at all without knowing ourselves in the Lord as we are known; this too is very vital for our salvation.

READINGS AT SUNDAY MASS

1st Reading: Acts 4.8-12; 2nd Reading: 1 John 3.1-2; Gospel: John 10.11-18.

Psalm: Ps 117(118).1,8-9,21-23,26,28-29: The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone.

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the Good Shoeoherd, says the Lord; I know My own sheep and My own know Me. Alleluia!

MASS DURING THE WEEK

Sun., 25 th Apr.	+ 4 TH SUNDAY OF EASTER Office, Easter Week 4	9.00am	Thomas Flynn, RIP
		11.00am	Maureen, Jerry & Tom Kelly, RIP
		2.00pm	
		6.00pm	Parishioners
Mon., 26th Apr.	Easter Feria	9.30am	
Tue., 27th Apr.	Easter Feria	9.30am	
Wed., 28th Apr.	Easter Feria	9.30am	
Thur., 29th Apr	St Catherine of Siena	7.00pm	
Fri., 30th Apr.	Easter Feria	9.30am	
Sat., 1st May.	Easter Feria	10.30am	
Sun., 2 nd May	+ 5 TH SUNDAY OF EASTER Office, Easter Week 1	9.00am	Parishioners
		11.00am	Andrew Penman, Anniversary
		2.00pm	Kathe Mongan, 6-Month's Mind
		6.00pm	

MARYCHURCH/ST THOMAS MORE

Sat., 24 th Apr.	+ 4 TH SUNDAY OF EASTER Office, Easter Week 4	6.00am	John Kelly, RIP
Sun., 25 th Apr.		9.30am	Cheryl & Graham Williams
		(STM)	
		11.00am	Maria Nicola
Mon., 26th Apr.	Easter Feria	9.30am	Alphonsa George & George Kutty
			Chacko, RIP
Tue., 27 th Apr.	Easter Feria	9.30am	Doris Thomas, RIP
Wed., 28th Apr.	Easter Feria	7.30pm	
Thur., 29th Apr	St Catherine of Siena	9.30am	
Fri., 30 th Apr.	Easter Feria	9.30am	
Sat., 1st May.	+ 5 TH SUNDAY OF	6.00pm	
Sun., 2 nd May	EASTER Office, Easter Week 1	9.30am	Parishioners
		(STM)	
		11.00am	Kathleen Rhine & Lynette Belch,
			RIP

<u>SICK OR HOUSEBOUND</u>: 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, Jack Cook, Patrick O'Brien.

NOTICES

Priest Training Fund: This Sunday is Good Shepherd Sunday and our second collection will support the Priest Training Fund. This fund pays for the priestly formation of men for the Catholic priesthood. There are currently 42 men studying at Allen Hall seminary, 18 of whom are for our own Diocese, and two men are studying in Rome, also for our Diocese. Last year two men who studied at Allen Hall and one who studied in Rome ordained to the priesthood to serve as our future priests. The fund also supports the ongoing enrichment and formation of our ordained priests. Your gift ensures we can provide training for these men responding to Christ's call to dedicate their lives to serve God's people. Please be as generous as you can. Please also pray for vocations and for all our priests. If you do not have a donation leaflet, plenty are still available at the back of the church. You can donate online anytime

www.rcdow.org.uk/donations

Annual Mass of Thanksgiving for the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony, via livestream from Westminster Cathedral, on Saturday 15 May 2021 at 3.00pm: The Cardinal will be celebrating a livestreamed Mass for all couples in the Diocese who are celebrating their 5th, 10th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th and 60th (and every year over 60) wedding anniversary of Catholic marriage in 2021. If you are celebrating an anniversary, please give your parish clergy/parish office the following details: husband and wife's names, wedding date, full postal address and email (or telephone number if no email), and these details will be sent to those organizing this celebration. An Order of Service can be downloaded from the Cathedral website before the event - www.westminstercathedral.org.uk.

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 from the parish online microsite.

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

Online Live Streaming: 11am Sunday Mass: Youtube channel:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCc qVz9i7lLtGAeoYrvur1zw

Please pray for the peaceful repose of James Luis Baron (38), who died suddenly recently. He was the son of our sister, Maria Pereira. Please also keep our sister Maria in your prayers.

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

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

Safeguarding Officer: SP: Fr Livie Onvebuchi msp (interim) Email:

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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@mountcarmel

kindergarten.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

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

Weekly Rotas:

Cleaning: 25 Apr. – 1 May

Victoria & Anthonia

Monthly Offertory Collection

Thank you.

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

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