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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.

+ 11TH SUNDAY – YEAR B

What God has joined together, let not man put asunder. (Mt 19.6)

The Church's teaching and practice on divorce and divorcees remarrying are based on the will of God taught by the Lord (cf. Mt 19.1-12). Responding to the question on the issues raised by the Pharisees, the Lord refers to God's plan from creation. Under that plan, God created the human species male and female (Gen. 1.27), and joining man and woman in marriage, He makes them one body (Gen. 2.24). Ruling out the exception for divorce in Moses' law as having absolutely no part in God's plan (Mt 19.8), the Lord then adds this stark warning: What therefore God has joined together, let not man put asunder (Mt 19.6). His teaching underlines these basic truths: (a) God – not any human being or institution – is the author of marriage; (b) in marriage, God constitutes a man and a woman one body, not two; (c) God's action in marriage is absolutely beyond any human determination, including that of the spouses themselves. Thus, a ratified and consummated marriage cannot be dissolved by anyone under any guise or for any reason, except by death. A person who likes divorce should not marry at all (Mt 19.10-12). A person in a difficult marriage can opt for separation (Can. 1151-1155), but not divorce. Following a strict canonical process, a marriage can be annulled only if it is shown to be invalidly constituted due to lack of free consent (Can. 1095-1107), the Pauline Privilege (Can. 1141-1150), or any of the diriment impediments listed in Canons 1083-1094. It makes no difference that the couple have lived together for years or got many children together. Once their marriage is annulled, the parties to it are totally free to marry validly.

READINGS AT SUNDAY MASS

1st Reading: Ezek. 17.22-24; 2nd Reading: 2 Cor. 5.6-10; Gospel: Mk 4.26-34.

Psalm: Ps 91(92).2-3,13-16: It is good to give You thanks, O Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia! I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from My Father. Alleluia!

MASS DURING THE WEEK

		9.00am	Pat Fitzgerald, RIP
Sun., 13 th June	+ 11 TH SUNDAY IN	11.00am	Parishioners
	ORDINARY TIME	2.00pm	
	Office, Week 3	6.00pm	
Mon., 14 th June	Feria	9.30am	
Tue., 15 th June	Feria	9.30am	Private Family Intentions
Wed., 16 th June	Feria	9.30am	
Thur., 17 th June	Feria	7.00pm	
Fri., 18 th June	Feria	9.30am	
Sat., 19 th June	Feria	10.30am	
		9.00am	Parishioners
Sun., 20th June	+ 12 TH SUNDAY IN	11.00am	Theresa Hogan & Family
	ORDINARY TIME	2.00pm	
	Office, Week 4	6.00pm	

MARYCHURCH/ST THOMAS MORE

Sat., 12 th June		6.00am	Theresa Hogan & Family
	+ 11 TH SUNDAY IN	9.30am	Parishioners
Sun., 13 th June	ORDINARY TIME	(STM)	
	Office, Week 3	11.00am	Kathleen Rhine & Lynette Belch,
			RIP
Mon., 14 th June	Feria	9.30am	
Tue., 15 th June	Feria	9.30am	
Wed., 16 th June	Feria	7.30pm	
Thur., 17th June	Feria	9.30am	Adolf Kostka, RIP
Fri., 18th June	Feria	9.30am	Elias & Noemi Gonsalves, RIP
Sat., 19 th June		6.00pm	Elifigous Office Tanfumanei, RIP
	+ 12 TH SUNDAY IN	9.30am	Archbishop Paul Gonsalves
Sun., 20th June	ORDINARY TIME	(STM)	
	Office, Week 4	11.00am	Parishioners

<u>SICK OR HOUSEBOUND</u>: Please pray for Lily Clark, Dorothy Hall, Pat Martin, Theresa Chatfield, Cathy Ryan, Adele Pym, Jack Cook.

NOTICES

DAY OF LIFE COLLECTION, 19/20

JUNE: Against the backdrop of loving care, we are now faced with the very real threat of the legalisation of 'assisted suicide' in our country. It is not a question of 'if' this challenge will come; it is now a question of 'when.' There is now a Private Members Bill in the House of Lords on so-called 'Assisted Dying' and it is only a matter of time before the issue is back in the House of Commons.

This year's theme for 'Day for Life' focuses on assisted suicide and the respect owed to life. The online resources are produced to inform Catholics about this threat to life and to share with people our response to such a threat: a true compassion as the just response to the immense value of the human person.

'Day for Life' adds an authenticity to our witness to the dignity of life and this is enabled by the generosity of people in supporting our work. In 2020, we were unable to hold our annual 'Day for Life' collection due to the pandemic; our funds are very much depleted and the threats to life have never been greater. 'Day for Life' is a simple practical response which pushes back against 'the use and throwaway logic' often at the heart of a culture which seeks to abandon its elderly, sick and dying when 'they no longer serve our interests.' I know that it is difficult to take another second collection at this time, but the funds are important to support charities and projects which protect the good of life. The Day for Life website is

https://www.dayforlife.org/. Thank you.

EPISCOPAL VISIT: Our Area Bishop, **Bishop Paul McAleenan,** wishes to be with us on the 27th of June. He wants to come and personally thank all of us for all our fidelity,

resilience, and contributions to the parish, especially during these most challenging times of the pandemic, and to encourage us to remain faithful in prayer. He will preside over the 9am and the 11am Mass. Please join us to welcome him.

GARDENING VOLUNTEERS: As grass continues to grow rapidly, volunteers are needed to help us with gardening round the church and the parish house. You may want to volunteer for an hour or two once in a couple of months and help at your own time. If you would like to help, please see the Parish Clergy, or the Parish Secretary. Thank you as you do so.

Youth Ministry: We are pleased announce due to the success of the Youth Club we have more places for the St. Peter's and Marychurch Youth Club and are now extending it to Years 4, 5 and 6. The club is currently running online until July when we can meet face to face at St. Peter's Church Hall. We start at 5 p.m. for a 45 mins session. We have been running quizzes, games. show and tell and more. Feedback from the children has been extremely positive. For more information please contact Caroline, our Youth Work on: hatfieldyouth@rcdow.org.uk.

Day of prayer and Fasting: On Wednesday 23rd June, the Vigil of St John the Baptist, 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/121521

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

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

Safeguarding Officers: SP: Seena Vadassery, 07402030680: Email: hatfieldsouthsg@safeguardr cdow.org.uk

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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: 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.

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.

Weekly Rotas:

Cleaning: 14 – 19 June Marvis & Nneka

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

Catholic Chaplaincy Lister Hospital: John O'Neil,

Suggestion/Comment Box:

01438 285518

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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