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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: 9.10am. Mon.-Fri.

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 mins before Mass

+ 22nd SUNDAY - YEAR B

This people honour me only with lip-service, Mk 7:6

Something was new in the Law that God, through Moses was laving down for the Israelites as they readied to possess the promised land (Deut 4:2ff). Different from the law-codes of their neighbours, this one had special emphasis on respect for human dignity, especially that of the poor and the needy. In other such law-codes, nobles were classed higher than commoners, Freeborns had more privileges than slaves, but in Israel, every person was to have equal dignity and respect. The Pharisees and Scribes could not comprehend Jesus' mercy and compassion towards lowly people whom they, in turn, despised so much. This formed their main point of opposition to Jesus. They could not stomach Jesus eating with tax collectors, or even having one of them, Levi, in the ranks of his apostles, or forgiving the adulteress and so on. All these, do not belong to the exclusive class and are all classed as "sinners" by the Scribes and the today's gospel, Pharisees. In **Jesus** calls "hypocrites". They pay God lip service but their hearts are far from him, they obey the law and observe the traditions to win themselves admiration. This motive: self-glorification, vitiates every good thing they perform. Jesus then addresses the crowd, eating with unclean hands, drinking with unclean vessels, does not make a person less unworthy before God. Every sin against God and neighbour begins from within a person. The second reading sums it up; pure, unspoilt religion is coming to the aid of widows and orphans and keeping oneself uncontaminated with worldly vices (Js. 1:27).

READINGS AT SUNDAY MASS

1st Reading: **Deut. 4:1-2, 6-8;** 2nd Reading:**James 1:17-18,21-22.27;** Gospel: **Mk. 7:1-23.**

Psalm: Ps 14(15).2-5: The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia! Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life; You have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!

MASS DURING THE WEEK

Sun., 29 th Aug.	+ 22 nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Office, Week 2	9.00am	Parishioners
		11.00am	Mercedes Albano, Anniversary
		2.00pm	Travellers
		6.00pm	Parishioners
Mon., 30 th Aug.	Feria	9.15am	Private Family Intentions
Tue., 31st Aug.	Feria	9.15am	
Wed., 1st Sept.	Feria	9.30am	
Thur., 2 nd Sept.	Feria	7.00pm	
Fri., 3 rd Sept.	St Gregory the Great	9.15am	
Sat., 4 th Sept.	Feria	10.30am	
Sun., 5 th Sept.	+ 23 rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Office, Week 3	9.00am	Maria Szymanska, RIP
		11.00am	James Luis Borrom, RIP
		2.00pm	
		6.00pm	

MARYCHURCH/ST THOMAS MORE

Sat., 28th Aug.	+ 22 ND SUNDAY IN	6.00pm	Parishioners
Sun., 29th Aug. ORDINAR	ORDINARY TIME Office, Week 2	9.30am (STM)	John & Alice Becket, RIP
	Office, week 2	11.00am	Sr Jo snd
Mon., 30 th Aug.	Feria	9.30am	
Tue., 31st Aug.	Feria	9.30am	Peg Cooke, RIP
Wed., 1st Sept.	Feria	7.30pm	
Thur., 2 nd Sept.	Feria	9.30am	Fr John Milne, RIP
Fri., 3 rd Sept.	St Gregory the Great	9.30am	Bill & Raynah Watson, RIP
Sat., 4 th Sept.	+ 23 RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Office, Week 3	6.00pm	Parishioners
Sun., 5 th Sept.		9.30am (STM)	Thanksgiving to Our Lady
		11.00am	

SICK OR HOUSEBOUND: Please pray for Mary Marron, Lily Clark, Dorothy Hall, Pat Martin, Theresa Chatfield, Cathy Ryan, Adele Pym, Jack Cook, and Edwin Levy.

NOTICES

Anyone with <u>a house for short-term</u> <u>let</u> (or if you know of one), please let Pat O'Brien know on 07817132606 – Many thanks

The Youth Group is now up and running and offering a wide variety of activities for children ages 8 – 12. Start time is 5 p.m. at St. Peter's Church Hall every Friday for one hour at a cost of only £2. Lots of games and a tuck shop also available. Free session for every 10 attended. For more information please contact Caroline on 07557 819858 or email hatfieldyouth@rcdow.org.uk

Fr Livie will be away on his biannual holiday from the 24th till October the 7th. MSP priests in Oxford will provide cover.

We welcome and appreciate Fr Mark msp who will be with us this weekend, following Fr Livie's holiday.

Youth Ministry: The Youth Club is now live in the hall ever Friday at 5 p.m. in St Peter's Church Hall. It is open for children aged 8-12. Craft activities, life-saving skills, cookery, and games will be offered. For more information please contact Caroline on hatfieldyouth@rcdow.org.uk, or phone 07557 819858

The Youth Group would like to ask from the parish community for donations of fabric and wool for our arts and craft (also knitting and crochet needles if you have any) and games e.g. Dominoes, Uno, Guess Who, Puzzles or any other suitable games for children aged 8 and above. Please only donate if in full working order and/or complete set.

As you leave the church please remember to return to the shelf the hymn book you used. Thank you.

YOU CAN NOW MAKE YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE PARISH DIRECTLY TO THE PARISH ACCOUNT USING THE FOLLOWING DETAILS:

Account Name – WRCDT ST PETER'S HATFIELD SOUTH Bank – HSBC Sort Code – 40-05-20 Account Number – 81094602

THANK YOU

<u>Parish Office</u>: SP: Tue., Thur., Fri.: 9.00am-2.00pm;

MC/STM: Wed. – Fri.: 8.30am-1.30pm

Safeguarding Officers: SP: Seena Vadassery, Nonso Ijezie, and Eric Chiejina; Ph: 07402030680; Email: hatfieldsouthsg@safeguardr cdow.org.uk

MC/STM: Angela Madden 01707275214. Email:

<u>Planned Giving</u>: **SP**: Pat Malsher: 01707 265530;

MC/STM: Gillian Sutton; Parish Secretary: 01707262439

<u>Lead Catechist</u>: Linda Graham, 07768777768

<u>Hall Booking</u>: Enquiries to: **SP**: Parish Secretary; **MC/STM**: Parish Secretary

<u>Baptism</u>: See Parish Priest. Preparation is obligatory

<u>Confessions</u>: **SP**: Only on request for now.

MC/STM: Only on request for now.

<u>Marriage</u>: See Parish Priest; 6 months' notice required; Preparation is obligatory

Weekly Rotas:

Cleaning: 23 – 28 August Roshan, Gami, Audrey

Flowers:

<u>Sacred Heart Novena</u>: SP: Suspended for now;

MC/STM: Suspended.

Rosary: SP/MC: Suspended

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

<u>Christian Meditation</u>: 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: <u>lucia.federici@mountcarmel</u> kindergarten.co.uk

<u>Tea & Coffee</u>: 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.

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