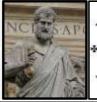
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# OUR MISSION STATEMENT









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

# + 23<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY – YEAR B

#### 'He has done all things well'

The story of the deaf man reveals something deep about the ministry of Jesus. It's a touching story. It is often the case that deaf people get left out of what's going on, and so it is of tremendous significance that Jesus takes the time to notice this man, and takes him aside, apart from the crowd, to give him personal attention. Because he cannot hear or speak plainly, Jesus employs a practical strategy. He puts his hands in the man's ears and touches his tongue with spittle. (In those days people believed that spittle had a curative quality.) He looks up to heaven to show that it is from God that help is to come. Finally, he speaks the word – ephphata, "be opened" in Aramaic – and the man is healed. The way Jesus deals with this man shows us that he does not consider him to be just another case; he sees and treats him as a unique individual, recognizing the dignity that belongs to every human being by taking him aside and by communicating with him in a way he could understand. Jesus' compassion, therefore, extends to everyone. And it is a ministry with messianic overtones. Jesus' healing of the deaf man recalls the words of the prophet Isaiah who predicted that, when the Messiah comes, "the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy" (Isa. 35:5,6, first reading). Jesus' actions bring to remembrance those words and, in the next chapter of Mark's gospel, they will inspire Peter to confess that Jesus is indeed the long-awaited "Messiah" (Mark 8:29). In Mark's gospel, this knowledge is to remain secret until the time is right, but here we see that Jesus' presence in Tyre "could not escape notice" (7:24) and then, even though he urges the crowd to keep silent about the healing of the deaf man, "the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it" (7:36). There is no hiding the revelation of Jesus, though it can be perceived only by faith. He has indeed, done all things well.

#### **READINGS AT SUNDAY MASS**

1st Reading: **Isaiah 35:4-7**; 2nd Reading: **James 2:1-5**; Gospel: **Mk. 7:31-37.** 

Psalm: Ps 145(146): 7-10: My Soul, give praise to the Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia! Speak. Lord, your servant is listening: you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!

#### MASS DURING THE WEEK

| Sun., 5 <sup>th</sup> Sept.  | + 23 <sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN<br>ORDINARY TIME<br>Office, Week 3 | 9.00am  | Maria Szymanska RIP                          |
|------------------------------|---|---------|--|
|                              |   | 11.00am | James Luis Baron RIP                         |
|                              |   | 2.00pm  | Travellers                                   |
|                              |   | 6.00pm  | Sajan Jose. Btday Tskgiving                  |
| Mon., 6th Sept.              | Feria   | 9.15am  |  |
| Tue., 7th Sept.              | Feria   | 9.15am  |  |
| Wed., 8th Sept.              | Nativity of the BVM   | 9.30am  | Carolyn Savage. Btday Tksgiving              |
| Thur., 9th Sept.             | Feria   | 7.00pm  |  |
| Fri., 10 <sup>th</sup> Sept. | Feria   | 9.15am  | Mervyn Verma RIP                             |
| Sat., 11 <sup>th</sup> Sept. | Feria   | 10.30am | Sajan & Seena. 14 <sup>th</sup> Wedding Ann. |
| Sun., 12th Sept.             | + 24 <sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN<br>ORDINARY TIME<br>Office, Week 4 | 9.00am  |  |
|                              |   | 11.00am |  |
|                              |   | 2.00pm  |  |
|                              |   | 6.00pm  |  |

#### MARYCHURCH/ST THOMAS MORE

| Sat., 4th Sept.              | + 23 <sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN  | 6.00pm                     |   |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|---|
| Sun., 5th Sept. ORDIN        | ORDINARY TIME  Office, Week 3 | 9.30am<br>(STM)            | Thanksgiving to Our Lady                      |
|                              | Office, week 5                | 11.00am                    | Stephen Currie. 50 <sup>th</sup> Btday Tksgvn |
| Mon., 6 <sup>th</sup> Sept.  | Feria                         | 10.00am                    | Ann Beckett                                   |
| Tue., 7th Sept.              | Feria                         | 10.00am                    |   |
| Wed., 8th Sept.              | Nativity of the BVM           | 7.30pm                     |   |
| Thur., 9th Sept.             | Feria                         | 9.30am                     |   |
| Fri., 10 <sup>th</sup> Sept. | Freia                         | 10.00am                    |   |
| Sat., 11 <sup>th</sup> Sept. | + 24 <sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN  | 6.00pm                     | Kathleen Rhine & Lynette Belch                |
| Sun., 12 <sup>th</sup> Sept. | ORDINARY TIME Office, Week 4  | 9.30am<br>(STM)<br>11.00am | Lucia Pentone                                 |

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

#### NOTICES

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

Children's Liturgy group is starting up again this Sunday at the 11am mass. We need volunteers to work alongside the leader to help run this programme during mass. Anyone interested, please contact Linda Graham or Caroline on hatfieldyouth@rcdow.org.uk.

As you may know, Fr Livie is leaving the patrish towards the end of October. We are planning a farewell/thank you party for him and will organize a collection for him from 12<sup>th</sup> of September. If anyone can help with this, please contact Linda Graham on 07768777768

60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary: To mark the anniversary, we shall be embarking on a 9 days Novena prayer to St Peter, from the 9<sup>th</sup> to the 17<sup>th</sup> of Sept. The booklets containing the prayers are available to take away. The prayers will be said daily at the end of mass. Those who do not make it to weekday masses can join privately at home. It shall end on the 17<sup>th</sup> with a special benediction.

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.

<u>There will</u> be a second collection next Sunday for Catholic Education Service.

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

Parish Office: 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: 6 – 11<sup>th</sup> Sept

#### **Flowers:**

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

MC/STM: Suspended.

**Rosary: SP/MC:** Suspended for now

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.

<u>Proclaim Our Lady of</u> <u>Fatima Family Rosary:</u>

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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