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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:

Tues, Wed, Fri: 9.30 am Thur.: 7pm; Sat.: 10.30am

Holy Days of Obligation: Mass: As Announced

Eucharistic Adoration Sat. 11.00 am – 11.30 am

Marychurch/STM

Sunday Mass:

6pm (Sat.), 9.30am (STM), & 11am

Weekday Mass:

Tue., Wed., Fri.: 9.30am; Mon.: 7.00pm

Holy Days of Obligation:

Mass: As Announced.

Eucharistic Adoration

Fri.: 10am – 10.30am

+ 6TH SUNDAY, ORDINARY TIME-YR C

"Blessed are the poor, Woe to the rich" 6:20 & 24

St Luke's 'Sermon on the Plain' (LK 6:20-49) is the counterpart to Matthew's 'Sermon on the Mount' (Matt 5:1-7:27). It is addressed to the disciples of Jesus, and, like the sermon in Matthew, it begins with beatitudes (20-26) and ends with the parable of the two houses (46-49). This introductory part of the sermon is made up of blessings and curses that address the concrete economic and social realities of the human society (the poor, the rich, the hungry, the satisfied, those grieving, those laughing, the outcast, the socially acceptable). By contrast, Matthew, who addressed a predominantly Jewish audience emphasized the religious and spiritual values of disciples in the Kingdom inaugurated by Jesus (the poor in spirit, Mt 5:5, hunger and thirst for righteousness, 5:6). The word "Blessed" in the sermon extols the fortunate condition of the persons who are favoured with the blessings of God; where as the woes and threat of God's profound displeasure are addressed to those disciples of Jesus, so blinded by their present fortunate situation that they stop recognizing the real values of Gods Kingdom. In all the blessings and woes, the present condition of the persons addressed will be reversed in the future. The stress therefore is on the reversal of values brought by Jesus. Jesus turns the world's standards on its head. His good news comes to the poor, the disadvantaged, the neglected. Trues blessedness consists not in fame, wealth, abundance and festivities. It is those who struggle now who will receive a lasting reward. One can argue that these four woes are too hard on the rich, the contented, the frivolous, the famous. Through this gospel run a thread of warning about the dangers of contentment and a wise person once stated, "we seldom pay attention to warnings unless they are they are overstated". The worry of those who have plenty, about how they should use their advantages responsibly for those in need, should at least be commensurate to those who worry to survive. St Mother Teresa once said, "if I ever become a saint, I will surely be one of darkness, I will continually be absent from Heaven to light the light of those in darkness on earth".

READINGS AT SUNDAY MASS

1st Reading: Jere. 17:5-8; 2nd Reading: 1Cor. 15:12, 16-20; Gospel: Lk. 6:17, 20-26.

Psalm: Ps 1: 1-4,6: Happy the man who has placed his trust in the Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed are you, Father, for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere children.. Alleluia! Matt. 11:25.

ST PETER'S

MASS DURING THE WEEK

ST PRIEK'S			
	+ 6 TH SUNDAY IN	9.00am	John Davin's Intention
Sun., 13 th Feb, 2022.	ORDINARY TIME- YR C	11.00am	Sunanda Senanayake. RIP
		2.00pm	Kathleen Mckann. RIP
	Divine Office, Wk 2	6.00pm	Teresa Castro. RIP (Birthday Ann
Mon., 14 th Feb.	Sts Cyril & Methodius	No Mass	No Mass
Tue., 15 th Feb.	Feria	9.30am	
Wed., 16th Feb.	Feria	9.30am	
Thur., 17 th Feb.	Feria	7:00pm	
Fri., 18th Feb.	Feria	9.30am	
Sat., 19th Feb.	Feria	10.30am	
Sun., 20 th Feb, 2022.	+ 7 TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME- YR C	9.00am	
		11.00am	Thomas Kiely & Deceased Fam
		2.00pm	All Travellers
	Divine Office. Wk 3	6.00pm	

MARYCHURCH/ST THOMAS MORE

Sat., 12 th Feb.	+ 6 TH SUNDAY IN	6.00pm	
Sun., 13 th Feb, 2022.	ORDINARY TIME- YR C	9.30am (STM) 11.00am	Ruth & Kevin Herbkersman
Mon., 14 th Feb.	Divine Office, Wk 2 Ss Cyril & Methodius	7:00pm	Ruth & Revin Helbreishan
Tue., 15 th Feb.	Feria F	9.30am	F. 1. 0 C W DID
Wed., 16 th Feb. Thur., 17 th Feb.	Feria Feria	9.30am No Mass	Emily & George Waterman. RIP No Mass
Fri., 18th Feb.	Feria	9.30am	
Sat., 19 th Feb. Sun., 20 th Feb,	+ 7 TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME- YR C	6.00pm 9.30am (STM)	
2022.	Divine Office, Wk 3	11.00am	Pretti's Intention

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

NOTICES

SPECIAL NOTICE: The parish will be ordering new boxes of offeroty envelopes this coming month. A number of parishioners are already using them, and together with completing a gift aid form, this can boost the value of offerings by 25% if one pays UK income tax. So far, the chancellor has not meddled with the scheme. In order to benefit from gift aid, the parish must keep a record of what parishioners give and this record is kept confidential. The recording is done in one of two ways: 1. By completing a bankers order form in favour of St Peters Parish Hatfiled, or 2. By using numbered offertory envelops each Sunday.

Please, this does NOT involve people giving more than they do already. The extra money comes from the Inland Revenue as it supports all charitable organizations through the gift aid scheme.

In the last "normal year" (2019), gift aid raised an extra £7,000 for the parish. If you are interested, see PAT in the back porch after mass where you can obtain gift aid declaration/bankers order forms.

As you can imagine, after almost 2 years of lockdowns and other restrictions, it has been a very difficult time for the parish. As we return to a 'new normal' it is vital it has the resources to attend to all the work now requiring attention. Thank you for your attention.

NEWMANS COLLEGE: Invigilators required ASAP £8.91 per hour rising to £9.50 per hour from April 2022. An opportunity has arisen for invigilators to join our existing team. The ideal candidate will have strong communication and organisational skills and possibly the ability to act as a scribe and reader. No experience is necessary, as training will be given. Applicants will need to be available for work in the main examination period during May and June. Please contact Heidi Foyle (foyleh@jhn.herts.sch.uk) for further information and an application pack.

<u>CAFOD's Walk Against Hunger Lent</u> challenge There are 200 million children in the world whose lives are at risk from malnutrition. This Lent, challenge yourself to walk 200km, and help give hunger its marching orders. Do 5k a day, your way, for 40 days, get sponsored and you'll conquer your 200km target in time for Easter – and help people around the world to live free from hunger. To find out more or take part, go to cafod.org.uk/walk.

PHILIP **HOWARD:** NURSERY APPLICATION FOR 2022. If your child was born between 1 September 2018 and 31 August 2019, they can now start nursery in September. Application forms are available on the website under 'Admissions' or directly from school. The deadline for September application is 28 February. The nursery sessions are as follows: 15 Hour Nursery: Monday to Friday: 9am to 12 Noon, 30 Hour Nursery: Monday to Friday: 9am to 3pm. The school also provides wrap around care: Breakfast club: 7.30am to 9am (for thos attending 15 hour nursery). Lunch Club: 3pm to 5.30pm (for those attending 30 hour nursery). For more enquiries, contact school om 01707 263969

'COME AND CELEBRATE the FEAST OF THE ANNUNCIATION 25 MARCH on a Pilgrimage to WALSINGHAM by coach from St Albans. Holy Mass in Walsingham at 12noon will be celebrated by the Bishop of East Anglia, Alan Hopes, followed by a visit to the Slipper Chapel and a walk along the Holy Mile to the Priory, the original site of the holy house requested by Our Lady in 1061. The cost is £25 and £5 for children. To book or for further info please contact Rosemary Roscoe 07723 546642 rosemary.roscoe@gmail.com or Margaret Leahy: margleahy@gmail.com 01727 763832.

"FIRE MARSHAL TRAINING. Tuesday 15th February 7pm in the hall. If you would like to help in the event of a fire emergency please attend the training. 18+ Advantage of having this training is useful extra for your CV! Contact Jemma email: Jemimajean66@gmail.com.

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

Lead Catechist: 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

Confessions: SP: Saturdays, 11am to 12pm & on request. MC/STM: Saturdays 5:30 to 5:50 and on request.

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

Weekly Rotas:

Cleaning: 14 Feb - !9 Feb.
VIOLET & ANNA
Flowers:

Sacred Heart Novena: SP: Suspended for now;

MC/STM: Thurday after 9:30 am mass.

Rosary: SP/MC: Monday after 9:30 am mass.

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> 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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