

## 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 – 11.30am

### 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

## + FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT-YR C

***"For our sake, God made the sinless into sin, so that in him we might become the goodness of God."*** 2Cor 5:21. This Sunday has a place apart amongst the Sundays of Lent. As in Advent we had *Gaudete* Sunday, so in Lent we have a Sunday commonly called *Laetare* Sunday. The whole week, with its wealth of liturgical significance, is intensely interesting. This Sunday *in vigesimal* is in imitation of Byzantine custom, a Sunday in honor of Our Saviour's Cross, for which reason the Station is at Holy-Cross-in-Jersusalem, a great devotional centre in Rome, especially during Passiontide. The great part of the Mass is inspired by this choice. Lent is half over, and Easter is enticingly near. This Sunday is our foretaste of Easter joy. The readings, no doubt beam the light on the reason for our call to rejoicing. The first reading describing a double feast: Passover and festival of Unleavened Bread; thanksgiving for protection in their nomadic wanderings and thanksgiving for the beginning of a new wheat harvest season, here celebrated as thanksgiving for a new beginning after their deliverance from slavery. St Paul reminds us in the second reading that, like the Israelites arriving in the promised land, we too have been liberated through the sin-offering made by Christ (the righteous who was made into sin), as he took the place of our sinful guilt and made a full expression of the unitive, divine love of the Holy Trinity for humanity. In his artistry and delicacy of character study, St Luke's Prodigal son story reveals the unfathomable mercy of God for sinful humanity. In his *Dives in Misericordea*, St John Paul II says, "Although the word 'mercy' does not appear, [this parable] nevertheless expresses the essence of the divine mercy in a particularly clear way". The story x-rays the immensity of the love and forgiveness of God towards us. Should we not rejoice and try to pay it forward?

## READINGS AT SUNDAY MASS

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: **Joshua 5:9-12**; 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: **2Cor. 5:17-21**; Gospel: **Lk. 15:1-3, 22-32**

Psalm: **Ps 33(34):2-7**: *Taste and see that the Lord is good.*

*Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus! I will leave this place and go to my father and say: 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you.' Praise and ... Lk 15.18.*

## MASS DURING THE WEEK

### ST PETER'S

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| <b>Sun., 27<sup>th</sup><br/>March, 2022.</b> | <b>+ 4TH SUNDAY OF<br/>LENT-YR C</b><br><i>Divine Office, Wk 4</i> | <b>9.00am</b>  | Peace in Ukraine and the world            |
|   |  | <b>11.00am</b> | Anthony Crawley. RIP                      |
|   |  | <b>2.00pm</b>  |   |
|   |  | <b>6.00pm</b>  |   |
| Mon., 28 <sup>th</sup> Mrch.                  | <b>Feria</b>   | No Mass        | No Mass                                   |
| Tue., 29 <sup>th</sup> Mrch.                  | <b>Feria</b>   | 9.30am         | Mary Marron. RIP                          |
| Wed., 30 <sup>th</sup> Mrch.                  | <b>Feria</b>   | 9.30am         |   |
| Thur., 31 <sup>st</sup> Mrch.                 | <b>Feria</b>   | 7:00pm         |   |
| Fri., 1 <sup>st</sup> April.                  | <b>Feria</b>   | 9.30am         | Ishanka Fernando. Btday Tksgiving         |
| Sat., 2 <sup>nd</sup> April.                  | <b>Feria</b>   | 10.30am        | Francisca De Souza. Btday Tksgiving       |
| <b>Sun., 3<sup>rd</sup> April,<br/>2022.</b>  | <b>+ 5TH SUNDAY OF<br/>LENT-YR C</b><br><i>Divine Office, Wk 1</i> | <b>9.00am</b>  | Noreen Savage intention.                  |
|   |  | <b>11.00am</b> | Roshan Senanayake. 50 <sup>th</sup> Btday |
|   |  | <b>2.00pm</b>  |   |
|   |  | <b>6.00pm</b>  |   |

### MARYCHURCH/ST THOMAS MORE

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| Sat., 26 <sup>th</sup> March.                | <b>+ 4TH SUNDAY OF<br/>LENT-YR C</b><br><i>Divine Office, Wk 4</i> | <b>6.00pm</b>           | Thanksgiving                   |
| <b>Sun. 27<sup>th</sup><br/>March, 2022.</b> |  | <b>9.30am<br/>(STM)</b> | Parishioners                   |
|  |  | <b>11.00am</b>          | Anne Holloway RIP              |
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|  |  | <b>11.00am</b>          |                                |
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**SICK OR HOUSEBOUND:** Please pray for Lily Clark, Pat Martin, Cathy Ryan, Jack Cook, Edwin Levy.

# NOTICES

## NOW ACCEPTING CONTACTLESS

**Donations:** You will find our new **DIGITAL COLLECTION PLATE**, contactless terminal in the church. Just use your contactless debit/credit card or smart phone/device to make a donation. Simply choose the amount you wish to donate and hold your card onto the reader. You can also opt-in for Gift Aid to increase your donation by 25%. If you are a UK taxpayer, then donating with Gift Aid means that we can claim an extra 25p for every £1 received. Contactless donations are simple to administer, secure and convenient.

**THE SOCIETY OF FRIENDS** of Westminster Cathedral is seeking to recruit a part time Organising Secretary to help administer the charity, assist in recruiting new members and in organising events. The appointment based in Westminster Cathedral Clergy House is for 20 hours per week at a salary in the region of £14,500 per annum. The appointment is for 12 months. Closing date 27 March 2022. For further details please visit <https://westminstercathedral.org.uk/the-friends-seek-an-organising-secretary/>.

**LENTEN HEALING SERVICE:** Join us as we undertake a Lenten retreat and prayer to prepare to commemorate the Lord's Passion and the celebration of His victory over death at Easter. We shall gather in the Church every Friday for the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Stations of the Cross, Talk on relevant Lenten topics and Benediction. The programme will last for an hour every Friday (6:30 – 7:30). Submit your prayer intentions to be prayed for during this time. Our hope is that this retreat will help us to intentionally work on our prayer lives.

**ST PETER'S & MARYCHURCH** is offering the young people in our church a chance for them to get together and enjoy the company of similar age kids

to enjoy fun activities, learn new skills and be part of a vibrant community. Youth Groups run every Friday at St. Peter's Church Hall – ages 8 to 11 at 5 to 6 p.m. and 12 to 16 years old from 6.30 to 7.30 p.m. Just £2 entry fee and tuck shop available.

**UKRAINE: WHAT WE CAN DO:** The shocking news from Ukraine continues to distress and cause anxiety. Although we are 1500 miles from Kyiv and may feel hopeless, we can still help. Here are ideas for us from our Diocese's Justice & Peace network:

- Pray every day for peace and all those affected: at home, at school, on the bus and of course at Mass
- Donate: CAFOD and Caritas are grateful for all contributions and particularly welcome money rather than goods because it can be targeted at key needs, it doesn't need sorting or transport and can be Gift Aided  
<https://cafod.org.uk/News/Emergencies-news/Ukraine-crisis>
- Write to our MP to ask the Government to support people fleeing from Ukraine: Rt Hon Grant Shapps, House of Commons, London SW1 0AA or email [shappsg@parliament.uk](mailto:shappsg@parliament.uk)
- Pope Francis says our hearts must not be closed to refugees. We can support those already in Hertfordshire who have fled perils in other countries: Herts Welcomes Refugees has volunteer opportunities here <https://www.hwsf.org.uk/>

## **Teresa Chatfield RIP and John Davin**

**RIP.** Please pray for the peaceful repose of our longstanding parishioners who passed away recently. Teresa was active in many ways as parishioners who have been here long would remember. As for John, the very grasses miss him dearly as he took care of the gardens for donkey years. May they rest in peace. Amen.

**VIANNEY MISSION FOR PRIESTS:** Join us in praying the rosary daily surrendering the priests and the parishioners to the immaculate heart of Mary before our first Vianney mission meeting on Friday, April 1, at 8pm in St Peters Church.

YOU CAN NOW MAKE YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE PARISH DIRECTLY

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:  
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01707275214. Email:

**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:** Saturdays,  
11am to 12pm & on request.

**MC/STM:** Saturdays 5:30 to  
5:50 and on request.

**Marriage:** See Parish Priest; 6  
months' notice required;  
Preparation is obligatory

**Weekly Rotas:**

Cleaning: 7 March – 12 Mch.

**Roshan, Gami &  
Audrey  
Flowers:**

**Sacred Heart Novena: SP:**

Suspended for now;

**MC/STM:** Thursday after  
9:30 am mass.

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

**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](mailto:lucia.federici@mountcarmel<br/>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  
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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