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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 – 11.30am

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

+ 4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

*"I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep and mine know me" Jn.10:14. Christ Himself is the Good Shepherd, who knows each one of His sheep, who gives His life for them and as such save them from the jaws of the marauding demon. He is the true shepherd who fulfils Ezekiel's prophecy; foretelling for Israel a shepherd from the end of time who was to deliver his people. Christ's sheepfold is the Church. In the Church He bestows on us His life in the Sacraments, His word in the teaching that she gives us, all the riches of His grace to light up our way and uphold our steps as we go forward to our heavenly home; through her He acts as the one Shepherd of our souls. Appointed to lead the flock, Peter gave his life for those entrusted to his care, and ever since then the priestly ministry has assured the continuous presence in the Church of Him who remains the true Shepherd of our souls. This Fourth Sunday of Easter marks the 59th Anniversary of the **World Day of Prayer for Vocations** instituted by Pope Paul VI in 1964. Pope Francis' in his message this year says *"The word "vocation" should not be understood restrictively, as referring simply to those who follow the Lord through a life of special consecration. All of us are called to share in Christ's mission to reunite a fragmented humanity and to reconcile it with God. Each man and woman, even before encountering Christ and embracing the Christian faith, receives with the gift of life a fundamental calling: each of us is a creature willed and loved by God; each of us has a unique and special place in the mind of God"*.*

READINGS AT SUNDAY MASS

1st Reading: **Acts 13:14,43-52**; 2nd Reading: **Apocalypse 7:9,14-17**; Gospel: **John 10:27-30**.
 Psalm: **Ps 99(100):1-3,5**: *We are his people, the sheep of his flock.*
Alleluia! Alleluia!! I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep and my own know me.' Alleluia! Jn. 10:14.

MASS DURING THE WEEK

ST PETER'S

Sun., 8th MAY, 2022.	+ 4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER <i>Divine Office, Wk 4</i>	9.00am	John Davin. RIP
		11.00am	Melena & Tia Fernando's Ints.
		2.00pm	Michael Delaney. RIP
		6.00pm	
Mon., 9 th May.	Feria	No Mass	No Mass
Tue., 10 th May.	Feria	9.30am	Deceased Membs of Rentuma fam
Wed., 11 th May.	Feria	9.30am	Noreen Savage intention
Thur., 12 th May.	Feria	7:00pm	Mary Immaculata (Btday) & Senulya
Fri., 13 th May.	Feria	9.30am	Deceased Membs of Rentuma Fam
Sat., 14 th May.	St Matthias	10.30am	Malcolm P McGlave. Anniversary
Sun., 15th MAY, 2022.	+ 5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER <i>Divine Office, Wk 1</i>	9.00am	Pat & Olive Malsher's Intentions
		11.00am	Leela Varma. Anniversary
		2.00pm	All Travelers. Living & dead
		6.00pm	

MARYCHURCH/ST THOMAS MORE

Sat., 7 th May.	+ 4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER <i>Divine Office, Wk 4</i>	6.00pm	
Sun. 8th MAY, 2022.		9.30am (STM)	Stm Parishioners
		11.00am	Willy Prendergast. RIP
Mon., 9 th May.		Feria	7:00pm
Tue., 10 th May.	Feria	9.30am	
Wed., 11 th May.	Feria	9.30am	George May. RIP
Thur., 12 th May.	Feria	No Mass	
Fri., 13 th May.	Feria	9.30am	Ruth & Kevin Herbkersman
Sat., 14 th May.	+5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER <i>Divine Office, Wk 1</i>	6.00pm	Parishioners
Sun., 15th MAY, 2022.		9.30am (STM)	
		11.00am	Wilomena Cherry. RIP

SICK OR HOUSEBOUND: Please pray for Pat Martin, Cathy Ryan, Jack Cook, Edwin Levy.

NOTICES

WAYS TO SUPPORT THE PARISH:

DIRECT DEBIT: We encourage you to use direct debit. It is very easy, fast and secure.

Here is our Account Details:

Sort Code – 40-05-20.

Account Number – 81094602

Normal plate Collection: Cash or Cheque.

Free-Will Giving or Legacy in memory of loved ones.

THE NEW OFFERTORY BOXES:

Envelopes are available for collection from (3rd April) in the back porch. If you are a UK tax payer, you may wish to gift aid your offerings, if you haven't already done so. Gift Aid Declarations will also be available. The Envelopes are dated from 10th April 2022, the first Sunday of the new tax year.

BEARD SPONSORSHIP FOR FENCE: Collected so far is **£837.86 in cash.**

Thank you all so sincerely.

MISSION APPEAL: The Spiritans (Holy Ghost Fathers) will be visiting our parish on the 29th of May for a mission appeal. Their priest will say the masses and speak to us about their missionary works. They will be needing our generous financial support for their works all over the world.

MAY DEVOTION: The month of May is specially dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary. To Observe the May Devotion, there will be rosary after mass daily through the month.

DEANERY MEETING OF PRIESTS: The Hatfield parishes will host the meeting of the priests of Stevenage deanery on the 10th of May. It will take place at St Peters between 10am and 2pm.

PRIEST TRAINING FUND: This Sunday is Good Shepherd Sunday and our second collection will support the Priest Training Fund. This fund pays for the priestly formation of men for the Catholic priesthood. There are currently 58 men studying at Allen Hall seminary, 17 of whom are from our own Diocese, and two men are studying in Rome, also from our Diocese. Last year four men who studied at Allen Hall were ordained to the priesthood to serve as our future priests. You can use the QR code to make your donation

online or visit www.rcdow.org.uk/donations. Thank you for your generosity.

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
- 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/>
- **So far, St Peter's has collected £455.74 in Cash in aid of UKRAINE**

WE ARE AT THE END of a tax year 2021/2022. If you no longer pay income tax, please let us know. If we could claim the tax you paid while earning the offertory you have given to the church, please ask for a Gift Aid Declaration form to be sent to you.

SYNODAL PATHWAY: The Diocesan report has been published on the website. You can view it via this link: <https://rcdow.org.uk/synod/westminster-diocese-bishops-synod-report/>.

EVENING OF RECOLLECTION FOR WOMEN: Fr Nicholas is leading a recollection on Wednesday, 11 May 7-9pm. To join whatsapp group for info, contact 07599075367.

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

MC/STM: Wed. – Fri.:
8.30am-1.30pm

Safeguarding Officers:

SP: Nonso Ijezie, and Eric
Chiejina; Ph: 07402030680;
Email:
**hatfieldsouthsg@safeguardr
cdow.org.uk**

MC/STM: Volunteer needed
.Ph. 01707262439 Email:
hatfieldsg@safeguardrcdow.or
g.uk.

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: 9 MAY – 14MAY.

**Check the Notice
Board
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@mountcarmelkindergarten.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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