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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 – 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

+16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, C.

The **Gospel** is from *St. Luke, 10:38-42* and recounts the familiar story of Martha and Mary. St Augustine comments on this scene as follows: "Martha, who was arranging and preparing the Lord's meal, was busy doing many things, whereas Mary preferred to find her meal in what the Lord was saying. In a way she deserted her sister, who was very busy, and sat herself down at Jesus' feet and just listened to his words. She was faithfully obeying what the Psalm said: 'Be still, and know that I am God' (Ps 46:10). Martha was getting annoyed, Mary was feasting; the former coping with many things, the latter concentrating on one. Both occupations were good" (*Sermon 103*).

Martha has come to be, as it were, the symbol of the active life, and Mary that of the contemplative life. However, for most Christians, called as they are to sanctify themselves in the middle of the world, action and contemplation cannot be regarded as two opposite ways of practicing the Christian faith: an active life forgetful of union with God is useless and barren; but an apparent life of prayer which shows no concern for apostolate and the sanctification of ordinary things also fails to please God. The key lies in being able to combine these two lives, without either harming the other. Close union between action and contemplation can be achieved in very different ways, depending on the specific vocation each person is given by God.

There was an old Jesuit vocation poster that showed a cartoon of a Jesuit with his nose in a book while he was sawing a piece of wood with the teeth of a crocodile. The copy said, "Contemplatives in Action." This is a bit of a caricatured understanding of what it means to be a **contemplative in action**, where your intellect is engaged as you go about *doing* the nitty-gritty work of the world. Being a contemplative in action is more than that, and it's certainly not just for intellectuals.

READINGS AT SUNDAY MASS

1stReading: **Genesis. 18:1-10**; 2ndReading: **Colosians1:24-28** Gospel: **Luke 10:38-42.**

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

Alleluia! Alleluia!! Open our hearts, O Lord, to accept the words of your son. Alleluia! . Acts 16:14

MASS DURING THE WEEK

ST PETER'S

Sun., 17 JULY, 2022.	+ 16th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME <i>Divine Office, Wk 4</i>	9.00am	Ann Dunkleys intention (Bday)
		11.00am	
		2.00pm	All Travelers. Living & Dead
		6.00pm	
Mon., 18 th July.	Feria	No Mass	No Mass
Tue., 19 th July.	Feria	10.05am	Brenda Cupper. Anniversary
Wed., 20 th July.	Feria	10.05am	
Thur., 21 st July.	Feria	7.00pm	
Fri., 22 nd July.	St Mary Magdalene	9.30am	Eileen Banko. Birthday Txgiving
Sat., 23 rd July.	Feria	10.30am	
Sun., 24th JULY, 2022.	+ 17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME <i>Divine Office, Wk 1</i>	9.00am	Fr Michael Harwood intention
		11.00am	
		2.00pm	All Travellers. Living & Dead
		6.00pm	

MARYCHURCH/ST THOMAS MORE

Sat.,16 th July.	+ 16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME <i>Divine Office, Wk 4</i>	6.00pm	Margaret & Arthur Grove. RIP
Sun. 17 JULY, 2022.		9.30am (STM)	STM Parishioners
		11.00am	Murray-Bruce family Txgiving
Mon., 18 th July.	Feria	7:00pm	Peace in Ukraine
Tue.,19 th July.	Feria	9.30am	Raynah Watson
Wed., 20 th July.	Feria	9.30am	Special intention
Thur.,21 st July.	Feria	No Mass	No Mass
Fri., 22 nd July.	St Mary Magdalene	9.30am	Barry Holloway. RIP
Sat., 23 rd July.	+ 17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME <i>Divine Office, Wk 1</i>	6.00pm	Parishioners
Sun., 24th July, 2022.		9.30am (STM)	STM Parishioners
		11.00am	Michael McLoughlin.RIP (1 st Ann

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:

Act Name: *WRCDT St Peter's Hatfield South*

Sort Code – 40-05-20.

Account Number – 81094602

Normal plate Collection: Cash or Cheque.

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

APPRECIATION: Dear Parishioners and friends, I am truly touched and wish to express my sincere appreciation of the profound outpouring of love and support for me and my apostolate, on the occasion of the silver jubilee of my priestly ordination. May our God, the origin of love and the support of us all, reward your kindness and generosity to me. May He deepen your faith in Him and strengthen your hope in all situations. Amen.
Fr Agbor F Isek, MSP.

Will You take the first Step? CAFOD's Gap year programme, Step into the Gap is a great opportunity for Young Adults aged between 18-30 to immerse themselves in interactive experiences, develop leadership skills while exploring their faith, and meeting new people. This is a chance to reflect on your role in global society while spending a year inspiring others to act for the poor and most marginalised. Based in the UK in a retreat centre or Catholic Secondary school with accommodation, travel and stipend included. Take the first step and find out more information and how to apply for September 2022 go to cafod.org.uk/gapyear.

REPOSITORY SHOP: New stock has arrived of statues, crosses, rosaries and Communion gifts – please pop in and pay a visit. You can now make payment with card for items purchased.

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/>

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2023 – LOOKING TO LISBON

World Youth Day 2023 will take place in Lisbon in the beginning of August 2023. Diocese of Westminster Youth Ministry with support from Cardinal's Appeal is offering a limited number of places on this pilgrimage with a 50% discount to young people between the ages of 16-25. Any 16 year olds who apply will need to be finishing year 12 by the start of World Youth Day pilgrimage. These young people will commit to a series of preparatory sessions from September 2022, to prepare them to assist in support roles during the pilgrimage, such as by acting as small group leaders, and also offer formation to them which will be helpful in living their faith post-World Youth Day. More details can be found at <https://dowym.com/programmes/world-youth-day-leadership-training/> or by contacting Westminster Youth Ministry at youth@rcdow.org.uk. Please apply by 31 July 2022.

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

MC/STM: Wed. – Fri.:
8.30am-1.30pm

Safeguarding Officers:

SP: Nonso Ijezie,
07402030680 and Eric
Chiejina, 07717578052 Ph.;
Email:
**hatfieldsouthsg@safeguardr
cdow.org.uk**

MC/STM: Recruitment
process.
.Ph. 01707262439 Email:
hatfieldsg@safeguardr
cdow.org.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: 18JULY- 23JULY.

**Mavis, Margaret &
Emmanuel**

Flowers: 18 – 25/7
Mary & Christine

Sacred Heart Novena: SP:
Friday after mass;
MC/STM: Thursday after
9:30 am mass.

Rosary: SP: Wednesday
after 9.30 mass. MC:
Monday after 9:30 am mass.
Novena to Our Lady of
Perpetual Succour: Tuesday
after mass in both parishes.

Christian Meditation: MC:
Suspended for now.
Hatfield SVP: 07960785673

St Pio Prayer Group: SP:
1st Thursday monthly at 6pm

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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