

St Peter's Church

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Mass Times

Sunday Masses

9.15 am, 11.00 am, 6.00 pm

Weekday Masses

Mon - Wed, Fri: 9.30 am;
Thurs: 7pm; Sat: 10.30 am

Holy Days of Obligation

Mass: 9.30 am & 7 pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Sat 11.00 am – 12 noon

Morning Prayer

Mon-Wed, Fri: 9.10 am

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour

After Mass on Tuesday

Rosary

After Mass on Wednesday

Confessions

Sat., 11am – 12 noon; 5-5.30 pm; or by request

Baptism

See Parish Priest –
Preparation obligatory

Marriage

See Parish Priest
6 months' notice. Preparation obligatory

Last week's collection

£1003.78

Standing orders for August

£1420.03

Thank you

Text: ParishHATSO to
70800 to donate £5 through
your mobile phone.

Notices for the newsletter by
Wednesday via the parish email.

The new Church Cleaning Rotas are available at the back of the Church.

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Fr Pius Duke msp; prince dukky@gmail.com
Parish Secretary: Pauline Hayes*

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year A

Parish clergy writes: When Jesus began His public ministry, He firstly announced the fulfilment of time and the coming of God's kingdom, and called on all to "repent and believe the gospel" (Mk 1.15; Mt 4.17), echoing the proclamation of John the Baptist (Mt 3.2). During His ministry itself, He placed repentance squarely at the centre of all He taught and did (e.g. Lk 13.3, 15.11-32, 19.1-10). Indeed, the sole purpose of His coming into this world was to call sinners to repentance and reconcile us to God through the forgiveness of our sins, and for this very reason He gave Himself up and died on the cross (Mt 26.28). But His offer of salvation to everyone is conditional on each person making the double movement of simultaneously turning away from wickedness and sin, and turning to God; without this movement, salvation is practically impossible. Today in the first reading, the prophet Ezekiel follows the long tradition of all God's messengers, both those before him (e.g. Is 55.6-7), and those after him (e.g. Mk 6.12; Acts 2.38, 17.30, 26.20; Rom. 2.4; 2 Cor. 7.10; 2 Tim. 2.19; Jam. 5.19-20; Rev. 3.3, 19), and reveals God's purpose for us all, which is, that the sinner should not die eternally but should repent and live eternally (Ezek. 14.6, 18.23-31, 33.11). This all goes to show how exceedingly loving and merciful God is towards us. To be truly repentant, a sinner must honestly acknowledge his or her sins, reject them, and turn a completely new page in his or her life.

RCIA: Do you want to become a Catholic? Are you a baptised adult who would like confirmation? We have a programme in the parish called RCIA to help you. Whatever your background, if you want to find out more please give your details to Father Livie, email the parish: hatfieldsouth@rcdow.org.uk; or teresacrabtree@hotmail.co.uk.

Secondary School Applications: Fr Livie will be available at the Presbytery at St Peter's to speak to parents about their Certificate of Catholic Practice for secondary applications as follows until **Friday 20th October:** Monday to Friday - **11.00am to 1.00pm**; Tuesdays and Thursdays - from **6.30pm to 7.30pm**.

The Charismatic Prayer Group meets today in the parish hall from 4.30pm to 5.45pm. Please come and join us.

Rosary Crusade of Reparation on Saturday 14th October. Assemble by 1.45pm outside Westminster Cathedral. See notice board for full details.

Litter Pick - volunteers are invited to join the Hatfield litter pick on Sunday 8th October from 1pm until 2.30pm to pick litter in the church grounds and Bishop's Rise from the junction with Woods Avenue to the Co-op. Equipment will be provided. Thank you.

Liturgical Music: All those involved in the 9.15 am and 11.00 am choirs will meet briefly on Sunday, the 8th of October, at **10.30am** in the parish hall. Please, endeavour to attend.

Parish Mission Statement - would you like to help develop a mission statement for our parish, to clearly define what we in St Peter's believe is our role in the Catholic faith here in Hatfield and the values that underpin how we fulfil this role? Please contact Sue McLellen if you are interested in this - smclellen@aol.com or 07710978770

Parish Office

Tues, Weds & Fridays: 10am-1pm

St Philip Howard

Primary: 01707 263969

Nicholas Breakspear Senior

Mixed – 01727 860079

Loreto College, St Albans

01727 856206

St Pius (Padre Pio) Prayer Group

1st Thurs monthly: 6pm

Safeguarding Officer

Sue McLellen: 01707 646383

Email: hatfieldsouthsg@safegu
ardrcdow.org.uk

Planned Giving envelopes

Pat Malsher: 01707 265530

Hall Bookings

Parishioners only

Enquiries to Parish Secretary

Hatfield SVP

07960 785673



**Catholic Chaplaincy
Lister Hospital**



Rev. Anthony Curran
(Deacon)

Direct Line: 01438 285518

Via text message:

07876 526935

24/7 urgent need:

01438 314333

*If admitted to hospital . . .

*In light of data protection
please indicate on entering
hospital that you are a
Catholic and would like the
RC Chaplain to visit you.*

Weekly Rotas

Flowers:

Church Cleaning:

Henry, Janet & Chiamaka

Shop

9.15am – Pauline O’Toole

11am – Heather Coakley

6pm - Felicity Crabtree

**“My house shall be
called a house of prayer”**



*Please be sensitive to those
who want to pray in silence
before Mass.*

Before Mass - Talk to God

During Mass - Listen to God

**After Mass - Talk to each
other**

Readings at Sunday Mass

Ezek. 18.25-28; Phil 2.1-11; Matt 21.28-32

Psalm 24 : **Response: Remember your mercy, Lord.**

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia!**

If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him,
and we shall come to him. **Alleluia!**

Mass Intentions for 1st – 8th of October 2017

Sunday, 1 st	+ 26 th Sunday in Ordinary Time <i>Ps Week 2</i>	9.15 am:	Cath Hogan, Anniv.
		11.00 am:	Martin Wallace, Anniv.
		6.00 pm:	Parishioners
Monday, 2 nd	The Holy Guardian Angels	9.30am:	Private Intention
Tuesday, 3 rd	Feria	9.30am:	Nancy Coyne, RIP
Wednesday, 4 th	St. Francis of Assisi	9.30am:	Prahen, Thanksgiving
Thursday, 5 th	Feria	7.00pm:	Private Intention
Friday, 6 th	Feria	9.30am:	Charles Adike, Anniv.
Saturday, 7 th	Our Lady of the Rosary	10.30am:	Hilda Torial, RIP
Sunday, 8 th	+ 27 th Sunday in Ordinary Time <i>Ps Week 3</i>	9.15 am:	Patrick Merhej, Anniv.
		11.00 am:	Ninfa Ardiente, Intention
		6.00pm:	Parishioners

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:

Stella Ashley, Jim & Teresa Chatfield, Pat Darling, Dorothy Hall, Patricia Martin, Evelyn McKenna, Margaret Morrin, Patricia Hayward and William Naughton.

Nicholas Breakspear Catholic School Open Evening: Nicholas Breakspear Catholic School warmly invites prospective parents and pupils to their Open Evening on Thursday, 5th October 2017. The evening begins at 5.30pm with tours of the school, followed by the Headteacher’s address at 6.30pm and 7.30pm.

First Holy Communion Meeting: There will be a meeting in **St. Peter’s hall on Sunday, 1st October at 3 p.m.** for parents who are interested in their child starting the First Holy Communion Programme. Application forms which are at the back of the church need to be completed and brought to the meeting together with the relevant fee. By joining these classes you are agreeing to attend mass every week.

Holy Days of Obligation: With effect from the First Sunday of Advent 2017, Epiphany of the Lord on 6 January and Ascension of the Lord, which takes place on the Thursday after the Sixth Sunday of Easter will be restored to their proper days rather than being automatically transferred to the closest Sunday. Corpus Christi will continue to be kept on the Sunday.

A memorial Mass for the late Cardinal McCormack will take place at Westminster cathedral on Wednesday, the 4th of October, at 5.30 pm. All are welcome to join.

Family Bingo - The next Family Bingo evening will be on Saturday, 14th October. All are welcome to come along for an enjoyable evening. Doors open **7pm** with eyes down at 7.45pm.

Blessing of Graves: The blessing of graves will take place with other local priest’s in Southway Cemetery on **Sunday 19th November at 2pm.**

Confirmation 2018 – We are hoping to run a course for confirmation candidates at Marychurch for young people in year 9 or above who wish to be confirmed during the Easter season in 2018. If you are interested, please put your name and contact details on the sign-up sheets at the back of the church at **Marychurch**. Any queries please contact Mary Stephenson on 01707 883653.

Lynne Sparks, Mayor of Welwyn Hatfield, invites all members of Marychurch and St Peters to her Mayors Multi Faith Celebration on Sun 8th Oct starting at 3pm at Onslow St Audrey School. Refreshments provided afterwards. The Mayor particularly wants to welcome members of Hatfield Churches.