



# ST PETER'S CHURCH

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## 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR B

### Mass Times

#### Sunday Masses:

9.15 am, 11.00 am, 6pm

#### 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

### Last Week's Collection

**Thank you.**

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

*“Heal the sick . . .”* (Mt 10.8)

Illness is naturally part of human life. In it, we experience our own powerlessness, limitations, and finitude, and have a glimpse of death (CCC, 1500). It can enhance or diminish our humanity, just as it can draw us nearer to or farther away from God. Sometimes, it is a consequence of sin. Because of its impact on human life, Jesus – the ‘Divine Physician’, and the healer of body and soul – made healing an essential part of His ministry. Of the 37 miracles the gospels recorded that He worked, 25 centred on healing and restoring to wholeness those who were physically sick or possessed by demons. In each case, the healing was miraculous, instant, and total. Often He healed by the mere words He spoke, or in addition to the words, by touching the sick person (Mk 1.41), or by using a created thing, like spittle (Mk 7.32-36; 8.23-25), or clay made from spittle, and washing (Jn 9.6-7). He was so compassionate towards the sick that power came out of Him, and even out of His cloak, that healed them all (Lk 6.19; Mk 3.10; 6.56). To fulfil the prophesy of Isaiah (Is 53.4), “He took our infirmities and bore our diseases” (Mt 8.17). He then charged the Church to heal the sick by anointing (Mk 6.13) and laying hands on them (Mk 16.17-18; Acts 9.34), and to cast out demons (Mt 10.8; Lk 9.2; 10.9). Through St James, He commands us: “Is any among you sick? Let him call for the priests of the Church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord; and the prayer of faith will save the sick man, and the Lord will raise him up; and if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven” (Jam. 5.14-15). Healing can be a charism (1 Cor. 12.9), but, as a special ministry that has the nature of a sacrament, it is exercised by the church and administered in its name only by priests and bishops. It is available to everyone who is gravely ill or in old age.

## READINGS AT SUNDAY MASS

**First Reading:** Job 7:1-4, 6-7; **Second Reading:** 1 Cor. 9:16-19, 22-23; **Gospel:** Mk 1:29-39.

**Psalm 94: Response:** *Praise the Lord who heals the broken-hearted.*

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! *He took our sicknesses away, and carried our diseases for us. Alleluia!*

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## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Sun., 4 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	<b>+ 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> <i>Office, Week 1</i>	9.15 am	James Cooney, RIP
		11.00 am	Mary and Paddy O'Driscoll, RIP
		6.00 pm	Parishioners
Mon., 5 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	St Agatha, Virgin & Martyr	9.30 am	Patrick Brennan., Anniversary
Tue., 6 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	St Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs	9.30am	Norman Mackinnon, RIP
Wed., 7 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	Feria	9.30 am	Private Intention
Thur., 8 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	Feria	7.00 pm	Private Intention
Fri., 9 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	Feria	9.30 am	Bruno Fernando, RIP
Sat., 10 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	St Scholastica, Virgin	10.30 am	Fr Voltair's Intention
Sun., 11 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	<b>+ 6<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> <i>Office, Week 2</i>	9.15 am	James Cooney, RIP
		11.00 am	Natale Garli, RIP
		6.00 pm	Parishioners

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:** Lily Clark, Amerita Mericonda, Dorothy Hall, James Haughian, Catherine, Mary Mullhall, Tony Lodge, Stella Ashley, Jim & Teresa Chatfield, Pat Darling, Patricia Martin, Evelyn McKenna, Margaret Morrin, Patricia Hayward, Peter Flower, and William Naughton.

**Next Sunday, the 11<sup>th</sup> of February, is World Day for the Sick.** Let us remember all the sick and the home-bound in our prayers.

**There will be a special collection to support the Missionaries of St Paul Society at all the Masses.** Please be generous in your support to their apostolate. Thank you.

**Family Bingo** – The next Family Bingo evening will be on Saturday, February the 10<sup>th</sup>. All are welcome to come along for an enjoyable evening. Doors open at **7.00pm**, with eyes down at **7.45pm**.

The annual Mass in honour of Our Lady of Lourdes will take place in the Westminster

Cathedral on Saturday February the 10<sup>th</sup> at 2.00pm and presided over by **His Eminence the Cardinal**. The Sacrament of the Sick will be administered during the Mass. All the sick and infirm of the parish are invited to attend. See poster at the back of the Church for details.

### **SOME RECENT DECISIONS OF THE PARISH COUNCIL**

1. Fr Pius and Proclaim 15 have been asked to help formulate the parish's Mission Statement as quickly as possible. They will need your input.
2. Each parish ministry and community will be represented at the Parish Council, starting from the next meeting of the council in April.
3. The Parish Calendar will be displayed on a noticeboard at the back of the church. Please check the upcoming events.
4. The parish will look into the possibility of making our website interactive.
5. The Welcomers are requested to be at or near the back of the church during Mass to monitor things, and to help the parishioners at the end of Mass to return hymn books and Mass cards to the shelves.
6. Sue McLellan will help to see that parish activities are publicised.
7. There will be a Day for Altar Servers in August, to appreciate their services.
8. Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion will have a Day of Recollection on Saturday, the 24<sup>th</sup> of February.
9. Hopefully, 32 children will have their 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion on May the 19<sup>th</sup> at 11.00am and 5.00pm. Two candidates will join those from Marychurch for Confirmation on April the 29<sup>th</sup> at 3.00pm; a catechumen and a candidate are in the RCIA programme at the moment.
10. The Social Group needs more volunteers to help organise social events for the parish. Please, contact Tony Dodd or the parish clergy if you would like to help.
11. The inspection of equipment in the parish buildings was recently carried out by Precision. The outcome was positive.
12. For safety reasons, works on parish properties should be done by at least 2 persons.
13. Welcome Pack should be ready by Easter.
14. We will have a 1-day Parish Retreat towards the end of June.
15. The Youth Ministry and Youth Programmes will soon be up and running. Please, encourage your children to take part in them.
16. The parish will install a fixed projector in the hall at the cost of £4,000. It already has about £2,300 in hand. We will need your support to raise the remaining £1,700. Please, cooperate with Tony Dodd in the effort to raise that balance.
17. We need a caretaker for our hall. If you would like to serve in that capacity, please, contact the parish clergy or the parish secretary.
18. There will be a Prayer Tree at the back of the church for children to write prayers and hang them on it.
19. The Parish Council will meet on the 9<sup>th</sup> of April with that of Marychurch to plan jointly for this year's Corpus Christi Procession.

**Sacred Heart Novena:**

After Mass every Friday

**Rosary:**

After Mass on Wednesday

**Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour:**

After Mass on Tuesday

**Baptism:**

See Parish Priest –  
Preparation obligatory

**Confessions:**

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

**Marriage:**

See Parish Priest  
6 months' notice.  
Preparation obligatory

**Parish Office:**

Tues, Weds & Fridays:  
10am-1pm

**Safeguarding Officer:**

Sue McLellen:  
01707 646383  
Email:hatfieldsouthsg@sa  
feguardrcdow.org.uk

**Planned Giving envelopes:**

Pat Malsher: 01707  
265530

**Hall Bookings:**

Parishioners only  
Enquiries to Parish  
Secretary

**Lead Catechist:**

Linda Graham:  
07768777768

**Hatfield SVP:**

**07960 785673**

**St Pius (Padre Pio)****Prayer Group:**

1<sup>st</sup> Thurs monthly: **6pm**

**Prayer & Bible Study Group:**

Prayer & Praise: 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Sundays, **4:30 - 5:45pm**;  
Bible Study & Prayer: 2<sup>nd</sup>  
& 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays: **7:30 –**  
**8:45pm.**

**Weekly Rotas**

**Flowers:** Jacqui

**Church Cleaning:**

Chioma Imoh, Tawa  
Akhame, George Elias-  
Ubiawhe & Jade Elias-  
Ubiawhe

**Shop:**

9.15am – Maureen Irving  
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**

**St Philip Howard:**

Primary: 01707 263969

**Nicholas Breakspear:**

Senior Mixed – 01727  
860079

**Loreto College, St Albans:**

01727 856206

**Catholic Chaplaincy****Lister Hospital:**

John O'Neil

**Suggestions &****Comments Box:**

There is a box on the  
table in the side porch  
entrance, if you wish to  
express any suggestions  
or comments in relation to  
the parish.

**Children's Mass. On**

Sunday, 4<sup>th</sup> February at  
Marychurch, 11 a.m.

Mass & St. Peter's on  
Sunday, 4<sup>th</sup> March

Parish clergy: **Fr Livie Onyebuchi msp**; Email: [livinusonyebuchi@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:livinusonyebuchi@rcdow.org.uk)

**Fr Pius Duke msp**; Email: [piusduke@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:piusduke@rcdow.org.uk)

Parish Secretary: **Pauline Hayes**