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MASS TIMES

St Peter's

Sunday Mass:

9.15am, 11am, & 6pm

Weekday Mass:

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

Holy Days of Obligation:

Mass: 9.30 am & 7pm

Eucharistic Adoration

Sat. 11.00 am – 12 noon

Morning Prayer:

Mon.-Wed., Fri.: 9.10 am

Marychurch/STM

Sunday Mass:

6pm (Sat.), 9.30am (STM),
& 11am

Weekday Mass:

Mon., Tue., Thur., Fri.:
9.30am; Wed.: 7.30pm

Holy Days of Obligation:

Mass: 9.30am & 7.30pm

Eucharistic Adoration

Fri.: 10am – 10.30am

Divine Office:

20 minutes before Mass

**“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.*



+ DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

“Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.” (John 20.22-23)

The very first public act Our Lord performed after He rose from the dead was to institute the Sacrament of Penance. In choosing to do this only after putting off His earthly life, and in a very unique manner, He underscored the important and necessity of this sacrament for the salvation of every human being. To institute the sacrament, He firstly gave the gift of peace to the disciples assembled as a Church. Next, He breathed on them, infusing them with the Holy Spirit. After that, He then entrusted them with the authority, the power, and the charge to forgive sins, ordaining the exercise of this ministry in and by the Church to be an act automatically sealed in heaven (Jn 20.21-23). This sacrament, also called the Sacrament of Conversion, of Confession, of Forgiveness, and of Reconciliation (CCC, 1424), is thus an expression of God's great love and mercy by which He forgives sins, and of His will that nobody should die in sin like unbelievers (Jn 8.21,24) and so perish. The Jews were absolutely right to say that only God can forgive sin (Mk 2.7), for the power to do so is totally beyond human beings. Being Son of God, and God as well, Our Lord naturally possessed that authority and power (Mk 2.5,10; Lk 7.48). He has given the same authority and power to His ministers in the Church (Jn 20.21-23), making them His 'ambassadors' in the world, to carry out in His name the ministry of reconciliation (2 Cor. 5.18-20). It means then that no one should disregard this divine arrangement put in place by Our Lord Himself, or presume to have direct recourse to God for the purpose of obtaining forgiveness for one's sins. To those who do so, He says: “Why do you call Me ‘Lord, Lord’, and not do what I tell you?” (Lk 6.46)

READINGS AT SUNDAY MASS

1st Reading: Acts 5.12-16; **2nd Reading:** Apoc. 1.9-13,17-19; **Gospel:** John 20.19-31
Ps 117(118); R/: Give thanks to the Lord for He is good, for His love has no end.
Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus said: 'You believe because you can see Me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believed. Alleluia!'

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Sun., 28th Apr.	+ DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY Office, Week 2	9.15am	Parishioners
		11.00am	Maureen Kelly, Anniversary
		6.00pm	Private Intention
Mon., 29 th Apr.	St Catherine of Siena	9.30am	Tony, RIP
Tue., 30 th Apr.	St George	9.30am	Eileen & Kevin Teahan, Anni.
Wed., 1 st May	Easter Feria	9.30pm	Private Intention
Thur., 2 nd May	St Athanasius	7.00pm	Private Intention
Fri., 3 rd May	Ss Philip & James	9.30am	Terry Mahabir, Anniversary
Sat., 4 th May	English Marytrs	10.30am	John Brennan, Anniversary
Sun., 5th May	+ 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER Office, Week 3	9.15am	Francis Grimer, 87 th Birthday Int.
		11.00am	Andrew Penman, Anniversary
		6.00pm	Private Intention

MARYCHURCH/ST THOMAS MORE

Sat., 27 th Apr.	+ DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY Office, Week 2	8.35pm	John Kelly, RIP
Sun., 28th Apr.		9.30am (STM)	Rosita Ross
		11.00am	Parishioners
Mon., 29 th Apr.	St Catherine of Siena	9.30am	Sean Alder, RIP
Tue., 30 th Apr.	St George	9.30am	Helen Murphy, RIP
Wed., 1 st May	Easter Feria	7.30pm	Sr. Anne snd 90 th birthday
Thur., 2 nd May	St Athanasius	9.30am	Bill and Raynah Watson, RIP
Fri., 3 rd May	Ss Philip & James	9.30am	Raynah Watson, RIP
Sat., 4 th May	+ 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER Office, Week 3	6.00pm	Mary Flavin, RIP
Sun., 5th May		9.30am (STM)	Josie and Maurice Ashwell
		11.00am	Parishioners

SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: Please pray for Lily Clark, Aileen Freeman, Mairead Waugh, Amerita Mericonda, Dorothy Hall, Catherine Coulson, Pat and Patricia Martin, Tony Lodge, Jim and Teresa Chatfield, Evelyn McKenna, Margaret Morrin, Nora O'Sullivan, William Naughton, Francis MacDomald, Sharon Childs, Patricia Hayward, Agnes Clark, Vanessa Anne, Lucas James, and Sienna Anne Parker.

MAY DEVOTION: We will be starting our May Devotion in honour of Our Lady of Fatima on **Wednesday, the 1st of May with the Rosary after Mass.** Throughout the month of May, the Rosary will be recited after every Mass, and at St Peter's a 25-minute DVD on Blessed Virgin Mary will be shown every Tuesday at 7.15pm for 7.30pm, to finish at 8.15pm, with a brief scriptural and theological input, followed by Q & A. Come and join us to honour Our Lady and learn more about her place and role in the Church.

SVP Second Collection - There will be a second collection this Sunday, April the 28th, for the work of the SVP Conference in Hatfield

The new **Boxes of the Offertory Envelopes** is still available for collection after Mass. We thank those who have collected theirs, and those who signed up newly. If you have not previously used the box and would like to have one, please see Pat Malsher and he will supply you with one. Thank you.

MARYCHURCH: Mary O'Boys Annual Quiz. 30th Anniversary! In aid of Isabel Hospice, Diabetes and Teenage Cancer Trust. Friday 28th June. 7.30 – 8pm start in Marychurch hall. Tickets are £8 per person. Bring your own food and drink. Any raffle prizes gratefully received by Yvette in the Office. All very welcome.

Feast of the Divine Mercy, this Sunday April the 28th, at St Bartholomew's Catholic Church, Vesta Avenue, St Albans, AL1 2PE. Starts 2.20pm with Rosary, followed by 3.00pm Hour of Divine Mercy, Exposition of Blessed Sacrament and confessions, followed by Benediction and veneration of the Divine Mercy Image. Everyone welcome.

St Francis Ramblers welcome you to our ramble on Bank Holiday **Monday 6th May.** Meet Welwyn Garden City station (walkers' train due in at 1023 [calls Hatfield 1018]). Lunch at The Swan, 56 High Street, Wheathampstead. Distance 12 miles finishing at Welwyn Garden City. Please call Paul on 07847 282626 for more details.

Thank you for returning the hymn books/Mass cards to the shelves at the end of Mass.

Parish Office: SP: Tue.,
Wed., Fri.: 9.30am-1.30pm;

MC/STM: Wed. – Fri.:
8.30am-1.30pm

Safeguarding Officer: SP:
Sue McLellen, 07710978770;
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Pat Malsher: 01707 265530;

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Graham, 07768777768

Hall Booking: Enquiries to:
SP: Parish Secretary;
MC/STM: Parish Secretary

Baptism: See Parish Priest.
Preparation is obligatory

Confessions: SP: Sat., 11am –
12 noon; 5-5.30 pm;

MC/STM: Sat., 5-5.45pm; or
by request

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

Sacred Heart Novena: SP:
Fri. after Mass; **MC/STM:**
Thur. after Mass

Rosary: SP: Wed. after
Mass; **MC:** Mon. after Mass;
STM: Mon. 9.30am

**Novena to Our Lady of
Perpetual Succour:** Tuesday
after Mass in both parishes

Christian Meditation:
MC: Wed. 8.00pm in term
time

Hatfield SVP:
07960785673

St Pio Prayer Group: SP:
1st Thur. monthly at **6pm**

**Proclaim Our Lady of
Fatima Family Rosary:**
Contact: Lucia Federici,
07933 436387; Email:
lucia.federici@mountcarme
lkindergarten.co.uk

Tea & Coffee: After 11am
Mass in both parishes.
Please, join us.

Weekly Rota:
Cleaning: From 28 April

Victoria Ayeah

Flowers: 5 & 12 May
Olive Malsher

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,
01438 285518

Suggestion/Comment Box:
There is a box on the table in
the porch, if you wish to
express any suggestions or
comments in relation to either
parish.

Last Week's Collections

£1787.10

2 p.m. Mass £78.88

Thank you.

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

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