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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:

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

+ 23rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR

Like a king making ready for battle or a contractor about to build a tower, we have to count the cost as we set out to follow Jesus. Our Lord today is telling us up front the sacrifice it will take. His words aren't addressed to His chosen few, the Twelve, but rather to the "great crowds"—to anyone, to whoever wishes to be His disciple. That only makes His call all the more stark and uncompromising. We are to "hate" our old lives, to renounce all the earthly things we rely upon, to choose Him above every person and possession. Again He tells us that the things we have—even our family ties and obligations—can become an excuse, an obstacle that keeps us from giving ourselves completely to Him, and our creator who knows the end of each one of us from the beginning. (see Luke 9:23–26, 57–62).

Jesus brings us the saving wisdom we are promised in today's First Reading. He is that saving Wisdom. Weighed down by many earthly concerns, the burdens of our body and its needs, we could never see beyond the things of this world; we could never detect God's heavenly design and intention. So in His mercy He sent us His Spirit, His Wisdom from on high, to make straight our path to Him. Jesus Himself paid the price to free us from the sentence imposed on Adam, who we recall in today's Psalm (see Genesis 2:7; 2:19). No more will the work of our hands be an affliction; no more are we destined to turn back to dust. Like Onesimus in today's Epistle, we have been redeemed. We have been given a new family and a new inheritance, made children of the Father, brothers and sisters in the Lord. We are free now to come after Him, to serve Him—no longer slaves to the ties of our past lives. In Christ, all our yesterdays have passed. We live in what the Psalm today beautifully describes as the daybreak, ready to be filled with His kindness. For, God has given us wisdom of heart and taught us to number our days and be ready for action.

READINGS AT SUNDAY MASS

1st Reading: Wis 9:13-18; **2nd Reading:** Phlm 9-10, 12-17; **Gospel:** Luke 14:25-33 **Psalm:** Ps 89: 3-6. 12-14. 17 r.1; **R:** *O Lord, you have been our refuge from one generation to the next.*
Gospel Acclamation: *Alleluia. Alleluia. I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. Alleluia!*

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Sun., 8th Sept.	+ 23rd SUNDAY <i>Office, Week 3</i>	9.15am	Briget Keenan, RIP
		11.00am	Edwin Levy, Intention
		6.00pm	Parishioners
Mon., 9 th Sept.	Feria	9.30am	William Barry, Health Intention
Tue., 10 th Sept.	Feria	9.30am	
Wed., 11 th Sept.	Feria	9.30am	Joan Corradine, RIP
Thur., 12 th Sept.	Feria	7.00pm	Private Intention
Fri., 13 th Sept.	St John Chrysostom, Bishop & Doctor	9.30am	Private Intention
Sat., 14 th Sept.	The Exaltation of the Holy Cross Feria	10.30am	Private intention
Sun., 15th Sept.	+ 24th SUNDAY <i>Office, Week 4</i>	9.15am	Tina Danha, Intention
		11.00am	Eric Davidson, Anniv.
		6.00pm	Parishioners

MARYCHURCH/ST THOMAS MORE

Sat. 7 th Sept.	+ 23rd SUNDAY <i>Office, Week 3</i>	6.00pm	Parishioners
Sun., 8th Sept.		9.30am (STM)	Peter Logan, RIP
		11.00am	Leish Prendergast
Mon., 9 th Sept.	Feria	9.30am	Fr Eddie, RIP
Tue., 10 th Sept.	Feria	9.30am	Doris Thomas, RIP
Wed., 11 th Sept.	Feria	7.30pm	Remy Stephens, RIP
Thur., 12 th Sept.	Feria	9.30am	Beverly Atkin, RIP
Fri., 13 th Sept.	St John Chrysostom, Bishop & Doctor	9.30am	Ruth and Kevin Herbkersman
Sat. 14 th Sept.	+ 24th SUNDAY <i>Office, Week 4</i>	6.00pm	Dr. Simon Tonini OSB, RIP
Sun., 15th Sept.		9.30am (STM)	Special Intention
		11.00am	Parishioners

SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: Please pray for Michelle Elliott, Lily Clark, Aileen Freeman, 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, Sienna Anne Parker, and Edwin Levy.

Save the Date: Parish Retreat Day Saturday 19th October.

Children's Liturgy Group resumes on Sunday 15th September.

Mary's Meals Cake Sale/Coffee morning: Cake sale/coffee morning on Sunday 22nd September after the 9.15am & 11.00am Mass. If you can help make cakes or help on the day please contact Mary on 07596 973001 or Pauline 0773 8074614. Thank you.

The Café DVD Let it Be on the life of Mary is to be shown again on Monday evenings in October starting on October 7th. This is to give a chance for those who might not have seen it but also for those who would like to see again. The sessions will start at 7.30pm with a cup of tea and biscuits and will aim to finish at 8.30 pm. There will be a chance for discussion and questions following the DVD. Please so come along .

Do you have expertise in the maintenance of buildings? If so, the parish needs your help to occasionally provide advice on how best to maintain our parish premises, who to approach to get work done and assessing quotes received. If you are able to help us with this, please contact the chair of the Finance Committee at hatfieldsouthcof@rcdow.org.uk or 07710 978770. Thank you.

First Holy Communion : Parents and carers with children in Year 3 and above who would like them to make their First Holy Communion next year can find an application form at the back of the church. Applications will only be accepted from regular church attenders. A meeting **for parents** will take place on Sunday, 6th October in the hall at 3 p.m. where full details of the programme will be discussed.

Beverly Atkin RIP: The funeral of the late Beverly Atkin will be on Monday 16th September at 11am in Marychurch. May she rest in Peace.

Bingo on Saturday 14th September First one after the summer break. Doors open 7 pm eyes down 7.45pm

Homeless Christmas Presents: If you can help with this project please see poster at back of church.

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

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

MC/STM: Wed. – Fri.:
8.30am-1.30pm

Safeguarding Officer: SP:
Sue McLellen, 07710978770;
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MC/STM: Angela Madden
01707275214

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Pat Malsher: 01707 265530;

MC/STM: Gillian Sutton;
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Lead Catechist: Linda
Graham, 07768777768

Hall Booking: Enquiries to:
SP: 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:**
Agness & Winona

Flowers: 8 & 15 Sept.

Christine

“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:
There is a box on the table in
the porch, if you wish to
express any suggestions or
comments in relation to either

Last Week’s Collections

£796.79

2pm Mass £687.35

Thank you.

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

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