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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:

Mon - Wed, Fri: 9.30am

Thur.: 7pm; Sat.:

10.30am

Holy Days of Obligation:

Mass: 9.30am & 7pm

Eucharistic Adoration

Sat. 11.00am – 12 noon

Morning Prayer:

Mon.-Wed., Fri.: 9.10am

Marychurch/STM

Sunday Mass:

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

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

+ 28TH SUNDAY – YEAR A

“I have made ready My dinner . . . come to the marriage feast.” (Matthew 22.4)

The Eucharist is known by various names. It is called ‘The Lord’s Supper’, ‘The Last Supper’, ‘The Supper of the Lamb’, ‘The Table of the Lord’, the ‘Bread of Life’ (Jn. 6.35, 48), the ‘Feast of the Lamb’, the ‘Banquet of Eternal Life’, and so on. By whatever name it is known, one thing is clear: the sacrament embodies the idea and the reality of a great banquet, a feast and a celebration, a very happy occasion brimming with merriment, joy, and an abundance of every good thing, with so much for everyone to eat and drink, get nourished, and be completely satisfied. Another important feature of this celebratory occasion is that it is for everyone, with the invitation extended to all (Rev. 19.9). In reality, however, not everyone accepts the invite, and not all who attend the occasion benefit from its richness. Attending the occasion and worthily partaking of its sacred meal is to have eternal life (Jn 6.54). On the contrary, not to attend the occasion and partake of the meal is to have no life (Jn 6.53). Similarly, to attend the occasion and unworthily partake of the meal is to eat and drink judgement upon oneself (1 Cor. 11.29). We attend the occasion by being active members of the Eucharistic assembly, and we worthily partake of the sacred meal by receiving the Eucharist always in a state of grace, so as to be ourselves transformed into a Eucharistic people. Receiving Holy Communion with mortal sin in our conscience is to receive the sacrament unworthily. It is like attending a wedding feast without ‘a wedding garment’ of grace. The man who did so in today’s gospel parable was fished out, bound hand and foot, and “cast into the outer darkness”, to weep and gnash his teeth (Mt 22.12-13).

READINGS AT SUNDAY MASS

1st Reading: **Is. 25.6-10**; 2nd Reading: **Phil. 4.12-14,19-20**; Gospel: **Mt 22.1-14**.

Psalm: **Ps 23(22): *In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever.***

Gospel Acclamation: *Alleluia, alleluia! The Word was made flesh and lived among us; to all who did accept Him, He gave power to become children of God. Alleluia!*

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Sun., 11th Oct.	+ 27TH SUNDAY <i>Office, Week 3</i>	9.00am	Don Charles Jaykody
		11.00am	Cecilia Jaykody, 4 th Birthday
		2.00pm	Parishioners
		6.00pm	Private Intention
Mon., 12 th Oct.	Feria	9.30am	
Tue., 13 th Oct.	St Edward the Confessor	10.00am	
Wed., 14 th Oct.	Feria	10.00am	
Thur., 15 th Oct.	St Theresa of Jesus	7.00pm	Deceased Members of McDonagh Fam.
Fri., 16 th Oct.	Feria	10.00am	
Sat., 17 th Oct.	St Ignatius of Antioch	10.30am	
Sun., 18th Oct.	+ 28TH SUNDAY <i>Office, Week 4</i>	9.00am	Parishioners
		11.00am	Mrs Elizabeth Davin, Anni.
		2.00pm	Travellers
		6.00pm	Don Bartholomews Jaykody, RIP

MARYCHURCH/ST THOMAS MORE

Sat., 10th Oct.	+ 28TH SUNDAY <i>Office, Week 4</i>	6.00pm	
Sun., 11th Oct.		9.30am	
		11.00am	Parishioners
Mon., 12 th Oct.	Feria	9.30am	
Tue., 13 th Oct.	St Edward the Confessor	9.30am	Ruth & Kevin Herbkersman
Wed., 14 th Oct.	Feria	7.30pm	Julia Holloway, RIP
Thur., 15 th Oct.	St Theresa of Jesus	9.30am	Pauline Kirkham, RIP
Fri., 16 th Oct.	Feria	9.30am	William Prendergast, RIP
Sat., 17 th Oct.	+ 29TH SUNDAY <i>Office, Week 1</i>	6.00pm	In Thanksgiving
Sun., 18th Sept.		9.30am	
		11.00am	Parishioners

SICK OR HOUSEBOUND: Please pray for Mike Kavanagh, Lily Clark, Amerita Mericonda, Dorothy Hall, Pat Martin, Tony Lodge, Theresa Chatfield, Nora O'Sullivan, William Naughton, Francis MacDonald, Cathy Ryan, Adele Pym, Edwin Levy, and Maureen Kennedy.

NOTICES

Peter's Pence Collection. one of the 3 vital second collections the diocese is asking us to support this year, will be taken **today the 11th**. Thank you for your generous support.

1ST HOLY COMMUNION 2020/2021:

Over 25 children made their First Holy Communion at St Peter's and Marychurch at the weekend and it was a most joyous occasion. We are now inviting applications for children in year 3 upwards who wish to make their First Communion next year. Application forms to register your interest will be available at both churches.

I am pleased to say that as a result of the church having adopted a number of safety guidelines, in order to keep our parishioners Covid-safe, we have seen a steady rise in the number of parishioners attending. I would like to take this opportunity to assure you we continue to be very vigilant, maintaining social distancing and other measures to keep the churches a safe place for all. For the safety of all of our church families, face coverings are to be worn while the Covid guidelines remain in force. We very much look forward to seeing you in the church.

St Peter's and Marychurch Catechists

October Devotion: Due to the pandemic we are not able to meet and observe this devotion this year. We are encouraged to observe it privately by saying the Rosary in our homes every day. Please offer this prayer for an end to the Coronavirus pandemic.

Booking of Mass: The Holy Mass is Our Lord's perfect prayer, our greatest and most efficacious prayer. In offering it we unite ourselves and our intentions with the Lord in praise, in thanksgiving, and in petition. If you wish to have a Holy Mass offered for any intention of yours, please contact the parish office or complete the **Mass Intention envelope** at the back of the church

and give it to the priest. The diocese encourages a voluntary offering of £10 for each Mass intention.

Gift Aid Form: If you are a UK taxpayer, the church can claim from the government 25% of your contribution to it at no extra cost to you. All you need to do is sign the Gift Aid Form. Also, due to the risks involved in cash handling, please consider making your contribution to the parish by Standing Order. To do so, also complete the section in the Gift Aid Form and return it to the parish office. The form is on the tables in the entrance and the exit porches.

Fr Livie will be away from the **12th of Oct.** Fr Vincent Morokpakpo msp will provide cover from the 16th.

Pauline Hayes would like to thank all the parishioners of Marychurch and St Peter's who kindly donated to her recent STEPtember challenge for Isabel Hospice. A total of 434,567 steps, and £486.00 raised for the Hospice. Your help is very much appreciated by the Hospice. Thank you.

Public Health:

- **More Stewards are needed for Mass on Sunday. To volunteer, please sign up through this link: <https://signup.com/go/WxMtFPa>;**
- **Wearing of mask at Mass is now obligatory.** Please cooperate;
- Please complete the attendance card on the table in the side porch as you enter the church, in keeping with the government's Test and Trace guideline;
- Please observe the Social Distancing rules, and the hygiene protocols;
- Please put your Offering in the basket at the exit point as you leave the church at the end of Mass.

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

MC/STM: Wed. – Fri.:
8.30am-1.30pm

Safeguarding Officer: SP:
Roshan Senanayake; Email:
hatfieldsouthsg@safeguardrcdow.org.uk;

MC/STM: Angela Madden
01707275214.

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: 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 Rotas:
Cleaning: Oct. 12 – 17

Victoria & Anthonia

Flowers:

“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
parish.

Monthly Offertory Collection

Thank you.

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

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