



St. Peter's Church

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Mass Times:

Sunday Masses

Sat. : 6.00 pm Vigil Mass

Sun. : 9.15 & 11.00 am &

6.00 pm : Student Mass
(University term-time only)

Weekday Masses

Mon-Wed, Fri: 9.30 am

Thurs : 7.00 pm

Sat : 10.30 am

Holy Days of Obligation

Mass: 9.30 am & 7.00 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

First Friday : 7.30 pm

Confessions

Sat 11-12, 5.15-5.45 pm

or by request

Baptism – See Fr. Mark

Preparation obligatory

Marriage – 6 months notice

Preparation obligatory

Last week's collection
Holy Places

£308.25

Thank-you

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Parish Assistant: *Damian Ryan*

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Divine Mercy Sunday (Easter II) : Year A



Fr. Mark writes: The Acts of the Apostles provides a snapshot of the life of the very first Christians – and the model for parish life for all time. First comes “the apostles’ teaching.” In every age we need to learn afresh what it means in practice to live as a disciple, and to be “faithful” to this. Christians should be known for their “fellowship,” that profound solidarity which comes from our shared faith. In particular we watch out for, and help, the poor and those in any kind of need. As Christians we are present at “the breaking of bread.” Missing at Sunday Mass would have been unthinkable to the first Christians – that was where encountered the risen Christ. Finally, they were distinguished by their practice of prayer. How do we match up?

Thank-you

Many thanks for all your Easter cards, gifts and wishes. They are very much appreciated.

Baptism

Congratulations to Ethan Loughnane, who is received into the Church this afternoon through the sacrament of Baptism.

The next baptism preparation session for parents attending Sunday Mass at St. Peter's who wish to have their children baptised is at **7.00 pm on Tuesday, 17 May**. Please let me know if you wish to attend.

Weekday Mass

Tomorrow, **Monday, 2 May** is a Bank Holiday and Mass is at the later time of **10.30 am**.

Confirmation

The Confirmation programme resumes with the session at **7.30 pm this Tuesday, 2 May**.

Youth Group

There is a new programme resumes for the Summer Term – copies at the back of church. The Youth Group meet at **7.30 pm this Friday, 6 May** at the swimming pool in the Town Centre for a swimming session followed by fish and chips – cost £5. Anyone of school age in Year 9 or above is welcome.

CAFOD Lunch

CAFOD is the agency of the Catholic Bishops supporting some of the world's neediest people through relief and development work. There is a simple lunch to support CAFOD's work in the Hall **12 noon to 2 pm this Saturday, 7 May**. Donation : £3.50. All welcome.

Tea Party

It is a great boost for the parish to have so many University students coming here. The students in turn are very grateful for the use of the premises for Mass and meetings. They would like to meet up and say thank-you by inviting you to a tea party in the Hall **3.30-5 pm next Sunday, 8 May**. You are very welcome – as are any contributions of cakes!

First Holy Communion

The First Holy Communion Masses are at **6.00 pm on Saturday, 14 May** and **11.00 am on Sunday, 15 May**. The rehearsals are respectively at **2.00 pm this Saturday, 7 May** and the following **Saturday, 14 May**.

Parish Office

Tues. : 9-11 am; Fri. : 1-3 pm

St Philip Howard

Primary : 01707 263969

Pre-School : 07950 624815

Nicholas Breakspear Senior

Mixed – 01727 860079

Loreto College Senior Girls

01727 856206

John Henry Newman Senior

Mixed – 01438 314643

**QEII Hospital
Catholic Chaplaincy**Bernadette Cassidy
07884 187463**Youth Group**

Jemma Emmans

01707 880703

Safeguarding Officer

Sue McLellen 01707 646383

Planned giving envelopes

Pat Malsher 01707 265530

APF Mission Boxes

Heather Coakley

01707 269153

Hall Bookings

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01707 269153

**St Peter's Power Running
and Walking Group**

Mondays in term time

Michael & Linda Blissett

01707 885933

Hatfield SVP

07960 785673

Rosary

This **Friday, 6 May** is a first Friday. The rosary will be said in church at **7.30 pm**. All welcome.

Fr. Joe Ryan

Fr. Joe Ryan, former parish priest of St. Peter's, celebrates 40 years of priesthood at St. John Vianney Church, Wood Green with Mass and a reception at **12 Noon on Saturday, 11 June**. All welcome. To help with catering, please sign the list at the back of church in the next three weeks if you would like to attend.

Readings at Sunday Mass

Acts 2: 42-47 1 Peter 1: 3-9 John 20: 19-31

Psalm 117 Response: **Give thanks to the Lord for he is good
For his love has no end.**

Gospel Acclamation : **Alleluia, alleluia
Jesus said 'You believe in me because you can see me.
Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe
Alleluia**

Prayer of the Church : Week 2**Weekly Rotas**

Flowers: Mary & Pauline	Church Cleaning :	Caron Fisher
Shop: 18.00 Frances Nicholas	9.15 Pauline O'Toole	11.00 Mary O'Donnell
Welcome: 18.00 Jose Braithwaite	9.15 Rosemary Curran	11.00 Maria Stewart

Mass Intentions for the Week 1 – 8 May 2011

Saturday, 30 April	18.00	Cecilia & Bill Cranage, Anniv
Sunday, 1 May	9.15	Mike Gleeson & family, int.
<i>Divine Mercy Sunday</i>	11.00	Patrick Wallace, RIP
	18.00	Pro Populo
Monday, 2 May	10.30	Bridie Pugh, Anniv
<i>St George</i>		
Tuesday, 3 May	9.30	Mary Mullen, RIP
<i>Ss Philip & James</i>		
Wednesday, 4 May	9.30	Anne Fonseka, int.
<i>English Martyrs</i>		
Thursday, 5 May	19.00	David Sciberas, RIP
Friday, 6 May	9.30	Kitty Napier, int.
Saturday, 7 May	10.30	Bridie Pugh, Anniv.
	18.00	Pat & Bob White, Anniv.
Sunday, 8 May	9.15	Rory Hallahan, Anniv.
<i>Third Sunday of Easter</i>	11.00	Andrew Penman, Anniv
	18.00	Pro Populo

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:

Mike Faithfull, Margaret Lovatt Dugan, Sheila McAleer, Terry McKee, Joe McKenna, Christina Newman, Audrey Palmer, John Pym, Fionnuala Sheldrake and Bridie Sullivan

Filipino Evening

The next Filipino evening is at **7.00 pm** next **Saturday, 7 May**. There will be plenty of excellent food, together with a display of traditional Filipino dancing. Tickets are available after the 11 am Mass or from Tony Dodd on 646383 : £9 adults, £4.50 children 6-16 years, 5 and under free. Numbers are strictly limited; so buy early to avoid disappointment.

Caritas : Love & Service

Catholics are involved in helping the less fortunate internationally and locally, often without much publicity. The Archbishop wishes to encourage and coordinate charitable and social work in parishes through a new umbrella organisation, Caritas. He would like to hear from you as to what is being done already and what help is needed. There are a series of public meetings throughout the Diocese. The closest to us is at the Pastoral Centre, London Colney AL2 1AF **7.30-9 pm, Wednesday, 18 May**. All welcome. Please see the leaflets at the back of church.

Faith Summer Conference : 1-5 August

The Faith Conferences are for young Catholics aged 15-30. The mixture of talks, Masses, social events and sport has proved extremely popular with the large groups of students and young parishioners we have taken from Hatfield. The Summer Conference is held in the beautiful surroundings of Woldingham School in the North Downs. Booking forms are now available from Fr. Mark. These Conferences are normally oversubscribed, so early booking is advised.