



# 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

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## Easter Sunday: Year C



*Fr. Mark writes:* “Why look among the dead for someone who is alive?” The women, Peter and the other disciples have the normal human expectations. After all, they had seen Him suffer, die and buried. People don’t come back in those circumstances. Or so they thought. And they were wrong. God has intervened decisively. Death is no longer the last word. Christ’s perfect love and obedience resulted not only in His own Resurrection but also in the gates of heaven being thrown open for the rest of us. Peter is “amazed at what had happened.” Amazement and joy must be the defining characteristics of any Christian. “He is not here; He has risen.”

The happiness and blessings of Easter to you and all whom you love.

## Congratulations

It is a big step to decide to become a Catholic and receive sacraments as an adult, but a joyful and important one. We offer our prayers and best wishes to those who received the sacraments at the Easter Vigil : Madeleine Blanchard, Akinola Da Silva and Jim Hetherington who are baptised; Jemma Gale who is received into the Catholic Church; and Jamie Howard who joins the other four in being confirmed.

## Thank-you

Much time and effort goes into ensuring the Holy Week & Easter services are such beautiful and moving occasions. A big thank-you to the church cleaners, the flower arrangers, the readers and ministers, to Damian and the altar servers, to Jacqui and the musicians, to Genny in the sacristy, to Margaret, Tony and Sue in the Hall and all those involved in any other way.

## Lenten Almsgiving

If you have been collecting for our Lenten charities (the soup kitchen run by the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal and the work with young mums by the Good Counsel Network), please return any offerings and these will be sent to them. Thank-you.

## Easter Offerings

It costs c.£9,000 pa to keep a priest in a parish. This money traditionally comes from offerings for sacraments and Christmas and Easter offerings. St. Peter’s has met that sum in the last couple of years, but we need to keep up this level of funding to show we are a viable parish. Please return your Easter offering in the collection or through the house letterbox. Thank-you.

## Daily Mass

Please note Mass tomorrow (Easter Monday) is at the later time of 10.30 am. There is no Mass at St. Peter’s this Wednesday.

## Baptism Preparation

The next preparation session for parents wanting to have children (under 5) baptised at St. Peter’s will be at **7.30 pm on Monday, 26 April**. Please let no Fr. Mark know if you wish to attend. In having a child baptised, we promise to raise them in the Catholic faith which includes, of course, coming to Mass each Sunday.

## More Congratulations

Jo-Anne Rowney has been one of the University Catholic Society Committee and is a reader at daily Mass. She has just been awarded an internship to work for Archbishop Nichols for a year after her graduation. We wish her well in her assignment.

## Last week's collection

£739.01

Thank-you

**Parish Office**

Fridays : 9.00 am-1.00 pm

**St Philip Howard** Primary & Pre-School – 01707 263969**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**Ignatian Prayer Group** – alternate Tuesdays  
David Barham 01707 266551**Planned giving envelopes**  
Pat Malsher – 01707 265530**APF Mission Boxes**  
Heather Coakley 01707 269153**Hall Bookings**  
Heather Coakley 01707 269153**St Peter's Power Running and Walking Group**  
Mondays in term time  
Michael & Linda Blissett**St. George's Day**

The Friends of St. Peter's will be celebrating St. George (a day late) in the Hall on **Saturday, 24 April** with a fish and chip evening combined with an English-themed quiz. Further details to follow. Please keep the date free.

**Jubilee Mugs**

A great idea both as a commemoration of the parish's Golden Jubilee and as an Easter gift. Why not buy one of our smart china mugs containing chocolate eggs? Just £5 from the Repository or on the sweet stall after the 11 a.m. Mass.

**Readings at Sunday Mass**

Acts 10: 34. 37-43 Colossians 3: 1-4 John: 20: 1-9

Psalm 117 Response: **This day was made by the Lord; We rejoice and are glad.**Gospel Acclamation : **Alleluia, Alleluia!**  
**Christ, our Passover, has been sacrificed;**  
**Let us celebrate the feast then, in the Lord.**  
**Alleluia!****Prayer of the Church** : Psalter Week 1**Weekly Rotas****Flowers:** Jacqui & Cath **Church cleaning :** Pauline Hayes & Roshan Senanayake**Shop:** 18.00 Frances Nicholas 9.15 Audrey McGuire 11.00 Audrey Palmer**Welcome:** 18.00 Jose Braithwaite 9.15 Rosemary Curran 11.00 Uzo Cliffe**Mass Intentions for the Week 4 – 11 April 2010**

Saturday, 3 April	<b>20.30</b>	Pro Populo
<i>Easter Vigil</i>		
Sunday, 4 April	9.15	Betty Mulrane, RIP
<i>Easter Sunday</i>	11.00	Jocelyn, Cinto & Junie Rentuna, RIP
Monday, 5 April	<b>10.30</b>	Roseanne & Peter Rogan, Anniv
Tuesday, 6 April	9.30	McKee family, int.
Wednesday, 7 April		<b>No Mass</b>
Thursday, 8 April	19.00	Mr. Harris, RIP
Friday, 9 April	9.30	Holy Souls
Saturday, 10 April	10.30	Holy Souls
	18.00	Gerry Kelly, Anniv
Sunday, 11 April	9.15	Pro Populo
	11.00	Thanksgiving to Parishioners (Levy Family)

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:**

Theresa Edwards, Mike Faithfull, Pauline Keohane, Bethan Larking, Margaret Lovatt Dugan, Sheila McAleer, Hugh McGrath, Richard McKee, Joe McKenna, Christina Newman, Peggy O'Connor, Christopher O'Toole, Tony Sheridan, Anne Smith

**Pilgrimage : Rome & Assisi**

A pilgrimage is a wonderful way to deepen our faith, make new friends and enjoy ourselves. There are just a handful of places remaining on our parish pilgrimage to Rome & Umbria which is **23-30 October**. The list will close at the end of June. Please pick up a brochure, and ask me for an application form.

**Divine Mercy Sunday**

Next Sunday, **11 April**, is Divine Mercy Sunday. There will be an afternoon of devotions at Ss. Alban & Stephen, St. Albans starting at **2.30 pm**. This will include a sung Latin Mass, rosary, litany, Exposition, Confessions, Benediction and veneration of the Divine Mercy image. For details contact Margaret Leahy : (01727) 763832 or (07982) 234367.

**Turin Shroud Exhibition**

To coincide with the display of the Turin Shroud in Turin, Westminster Cathedral is hosting an exhibition **11-19 April** including a life-size replica of the Shroud. Admission free.

**Bingo**

There is parish bingo as normal in the Hall next **Saturday, 10 April**. The doors open at 7.00 pm. Eyes down at 7.45 pm. All welcome.