



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

£658.56

Thank-you

Parish Priest: *Fr. Mark Vickers*

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Fifth Sunday - Year B



Fr. Mark writes: There are many reasons why St. Paul is such an important figure for all Christians : his missionary journeys, the churches he founded, the letters he wrote setting out for those early Christians the full implications and the joy of discipleship of Jesus Christ. But there is one thing above all other for which we honour Paul, and that is his own exemplary discipleship. His encounter with the Risen Christ had such a profound and transforming effect, that he wished only to follow Jesus in all things, and to imitate Him in all things. Christ “came not to be served but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many.” So Paul tells us “I have

made myself the slave of everyone so as to win as many as I could.” Those are not empty words. Paul gave up reputation, security and material goods to preach the Gospel, suffering hardship and persecution in the process. And yet, paradoxically, as we do, in handing himself over completely to Christ, he found true freedom and fulfilment.

Mary's Meals : A Simple Solution to World Hunger

Thank-you to those who prepared last Saturday's lunch and those who supported it. We raised £210.60 to help feed 600,000 starving children across the world. The next lunch is on **Saturday, 3 March**, when we hope to have a speaker to tell us more about the work of Mary's Meals.

Baptism Preparation

Parents who wish to have their children baptised should be attending Sunday Mass and come to a baptism preparation session. The next session here is at **7.00 pm** this **Tuesday, 7 February**. We will talk about what baptism means and the ceremony itself. We can then arrange a date.

Edith Quilter, RIP

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Edith Quilter, who died recently. Her Requiem Mass is at **11 am** on **Tuesday, 14 February**.

Student Mass : Bishop Sherrington

Bishop John Sherrington, the auxiliary Bishop in Hertfordshire, is saying the **6.00 pm** Mass here next **Sunday, 12 February**. Hopefully, all students and everyone connected with the University will attend. Everyone else is also very welcome. Bishop Sherrington is planning to come to St. Peter's on visitation later this year when we will all have the opportunity to meet him.

Italian Evening

The parish is having an Italian evening with a three course supper, music and a quiz on the evening of **Saturday, 18 February**. Tickets are going quickly. They are just £5 for adults, £2.50 for under 16s, available after the 11 am Mass or from Tony Dodd on 01707 646383.

Safeguarding Training Morning

We are grateful to the many parishioners who volunteer to help in our various groups and ministries. Committed as we are to the protection of all children and vulnerable adults, we have a training morning on safeguarding in the Hall between **9.30 am** to **12 noon** on **Saturday, 25 February** run by a diocesan representative. If possible, I would be grateful if everyone who has been CRB checked could attend (ie, catechists working with children and Ministers of Holy Communion visiting people in their homes). Marychurch and SVP volunteers are also attending.

Parish Day Trip to France : 28 April

This has proved very popular and the list filled almost immediately. I did investigate taking a second coach, but, unfortunately, the Shuttle is fully booked. We will do something similar in future.

Parish Office
Tues. & Fri. :
9.30-11.30 am

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

QEH & Lister Hospitals
Catholic Chaplaincy
07884 187463

St. Pius (Padre Pio)
Prayer Group
1st & 3rd Thurs. 5.30 pm

Safeguarding Officer
Sue McLellen 01707
646383

Planned giving envelopes
Pat Malsher 01707 265530

APF Mission Boxes
Heather Coakley
01707 269153

Hall Bookings
Heather Coakley
01707 269153

St Peter's Power Walking
Group
Mondays in term time
Michael & Linda Blissett
01707 885933

Hatfield SVP
07960 785673

Bingo

There is the normal parish bingo in the Hall next **Saturday, 11 February**. The doors open at **7.00 pm**, eyes down at **7.45 pm**. All welcome.

Hatfield SVP

The SVP (which helps those in need locally) meets at 8 pm on alternate Tuesdays : 7 February & 6 March at Marychurch, 21 February at St. Peter's. New members are very welcome. Please call 07960 785673 for more information.

Readings at Sunday Mass

Job 7: 1-4. 6-7 1 Corinthians 9: 16-19. 22-23 Mark 1: 29-39

Psalms 146 Response: **Praise the Lord who heals the broken-hearted**

Gospel Acclamation : **Alleluia, alleluia**
I am the light of the world, says the Lord,
Anyone who follows me
Will have the light of life
Alleluia

Prayer of the Church : Week 1

Weekly Rotas

Flowers: Mary & Pauline **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 Christine Davison

Mass Intentions for the Week 5 – 12 February 2012

Saturday, 4 February	18.00	Bradley family, RIP
Sunday, 5 February	9.15	Holy Souls
	11.00	Bridget & Packie Coyne, Anniv
	18.00	Pro Populo
Monday, 6 February	9.30	Shirley Sutton, int.
<i>Ss. Paul Miki & Companions</i>		
Tuesday, 7 February	9.30	In honour of Jesus' Agony
Wednesday, 8 February	9.30	Mary Kiely, RIP
Thursday, 9 February	19.00	Audrey MacKenzie, RIP
Friday, 10 February	9.30	Vincent Healy
<i>St. Scholastica</i>		
Saturday, 11 February	10.30	Frances Ward, RIP
<i>Our Lady of Lourdes</i>	18.00	Abram Family, RIP
Sunday, 12 February	9.15	Eileen Goush, int.
	11.00	Paddy Coakley, Anniv
	18.00	Pro Populo

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:

Mike Faithfull, Tom Judge, Margaret Lovatt Dugan, Sheila McAleer, Terry McKee, Joe McKenna, John Pym, Bridie Sullivan and Anthony Wainwright

John Dean

John Dean thanks all at St. Peter's for the Masses offered and their prayers and help during his recent stay in hospital.

Our Lady of Lourdes

Saturday, 11 February is the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes. The Archbishop Nichols is saying Mass in the Cathedral at **2.00 pm**. He will bless rosaries. There is also the Anointing of the Sick.

Catholic Public Policy Internships

The Bishops offer 8 internships this September for recent Catholic graduates. These include working with Catholic MPs and for the Archbishop's Media Office. They include accommodation and a subsistence allowance. Closing date for applications : **29 February**. Interviews : 28/29 March. For further details and forms see <http://www.catholicnews.org.uk/interns>

Holy Land Pilgrimage : 10-17 November

There are 44 of us travelling to the Holy Land in the autumn. Philip Dean from Pax Travel will be speaking to us in the Hall and giving us some preliminary information at **7.30 pm** on **Tuesday, 28 February**. Pilgrims will find it helpful to attend the meeting – but, if it is impossible for you, Pax will give written information nearer to the time.