

# PETERPOST

Parish of St. Peter and the Winchester Martyrs

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## Pivotal Moments 4 – Growing Gracefully

### *Fr Mark writes:*

Last week, we looked at the prophet Samuel. His whole career as a prophet of God was launched in a single, pivotal moment when he learned how to discern the voice of God. God had been trying to communicate with Samuel, but Samuel had to learn to listen.

Today we are going to look at another type of pivotal moment that we all face in our lives, when we're forced to grow by rising to meet a challenge and stepping out of our comfort zone. These are times when our character can be tested and challenged to do something that is different or difficult and uncomfortable.

Growth is *always* outside our comfort zone. If you are never uncomfortable, you will never grow. Just as you only burn fat or grow a muscle through the discomfort of working out, so your emotional, spiritual or intellectual growth often happens when you are being stretched, sometimes by the circumstances of your life, sometimes by God.

For example, this season in which we currently find ourselves has been, for many of us, one where we find ourselves outside of our comfort zone. Maybe we're working harder than we've ever done before; maybe we're not working at all. Maybe we've lost loved ones or have lost our physical closeness to loved ones. Maybe we're suffering physically, emotionally, mentally, financially; maybe we're suffering directly or maybe we are suffering indirectly as we become aware of or try to support others who are in pain.

I don't want to suggest, even a little bit, that God has caused this pandemic with the intention of helping us grow. But God can take all the horrendous bits of this situation and transform darkness into light, sorrow into joy and death into life. We see God do this time and time again, most clearly in the cross and resurrection of Jesus, which lie at the heart of our faith. God can help us in this season to grow and to trust more in God rather than ourselves. God offers us opportunities to become more like Jesus, times and places of grace, pivotal moments.

In the story of Jonah, which we meet in our first reading this weekend, we have a fine example of someone whose heart needed transforming. It needed to grow and become more like God's heart. God needed to take Jonah way out of his comfort zone to get him there.

At the beginning of this chapter, we're told that the word of the Lord was addressed to Jonah a second time. This begs the question, when was the *first time*? Well, the first time God spoke to Jonah was at the beginning of the first chapter, and Jonah ran away.

God was working to grow and stretch Jonah as a prophet and a leader after his own heart, a heart full of mercy and compassion. Jonah himself was actually somewhat hard hearted and rather judgmental. God had told Jonah to do something that was way, way outside his comfort zone in order to help him grow. And Jonah *did not want to do it*. In fact, Jonah got on a boat and went in exactly the *opposite direction*, headed as far away from where God wanted him to be as he could get.

It was when Jonah was sailing in the opposite direction that God sent a storm. Jonah was thrown overboard the ship and that's when he was swallowed, and saved, by the whale (technically, a large fish) that God had appointed for the role. Whatever you think of the story of the whale, we see that when we resist God's will and insist on our own way, we can end up in some pretty dark and messy places.

Jonah finally turns to prayer. Which is typical for many of us...we turn to prayer as a last resort. Jonah actually prays a beautiful prayer that you can find in the second chapter. In response to that prayer God rescues him and saves him, and gives him a second chance to grow. This is Good News. Even if you have failed in the past to meet a challenge and grow, God will give you other moments, other opportunities to step up to the challenge of growing your character. In fact, God might keep giving you those moments over and over again until you decide to grow and learn the lesson he wants to teach you.

*'Up!' [God] said 'Go to Nineveh, the great city, and preach to them as I told you to.'*

Nineveh, the outskirts of modern day Mosul in Iraq, was the capital of the Assyrian Empire. The Assyrians were the enemy of Israel and Nineveh was renowned for its wickedness. So Jonah wasn't too keen to help them out. God wanted Jonah to go and preach there but the stubborn, headstrong Jonah didn't want the Ninevites to hear God's word. Slowly, Jonah grows in his understanding of God, as he acknowledges, at the end of the story:

*The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, abounding in love.*

In sending Jonah to Nineveh, God was giving Jonah the opportunity to become more like him in these very attributes. He was also giving the people of Nineveh a chance to change and grow beyond their destructive behaviours, to grow closer to him.

*Jonah set out and went to Nineveh in obedience to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was a city great beyond compare: it took three days to cross it. Jonah went on into the city, making a day's journey. He preached in these words, 'Only forty days more and Nineveh is going to be destroyed.' And the people of Nineveh believed in God; they proclaimed a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest to the least.*

The message was obviously a difficult one to hear, but apparently the Ninevites were ready for that moment, for their own pivotal moment, and they took it.

In today's gospel Jesus calls his first disciples, Peter and Andrew. It's quite a moment. They're in the midst of their daily work, they're just doing their jobs. And Jesus call them to leave everything and follow him. For them, as for Jonah, it is a moment of decision, a pivotal moment that changes everything.

Throughout our lives we have moments like that: moments in which we can either choose to rise to the occasion and grow or resist growth and change and just stay the same (or at least think we're staying the same). The moments we experience may not be quite as miraculous and dramatic as Jonah's was, but God can still use them to point to the areas of growth we need. Jonah needed to learn the Lord's mercy. We may need to learn other values from God.

Note that the moments when you are most tempted to shut down a conversation or to tune out of what someone is saying to you, or just run away...those might be the issues you most need to address. When other people say things that hurt, it's possible that they're just being nasty (hurt people hurt people), but in some cases that pain we feel might be pointing to something in us which needs healing. Jonah didn't want to acknowledge the pain, so he tried running away from growth.

Running away from growth will never produce happiness and satisfaction. If you live just to be comfortable, you will never be satisfied with life because it's not the life God shaped you for. We're actually most alive when we're struggling to grow.

How do you prepare to make the most of moments of growth?

Firstly, when a challenge presents itself, ignore the initial response to run. Push past the first feeling of discomfort. Stick with the moment instead.

Secondly, rather than run *do what God is asking of you*. That's what the Jonah (eventually) and the Ninevites and Peter and Andrew did and that changes everything.

Thirdly, give someone you know, [who isn't your parent or spouse], someone who is wise or insightful and cares about you, the permission to challenge you *about* or *in* the moment. Receive their challenge with the honesty and humility that the Ninevites demonstrated.

At the end of the day, God cares more about your character than he cares about your comfort.



### "Re-greening" our lives – taking advantage of Ordinary Time

We're now into Ordinary Time, and the priest's and deacon's vestments, and the cover on the ambo, are now green (see the photo).

Deacon Martin has written a short reflection on what Ordinary Time means, and what we can do to use this opportunity to "re-green" our own lives. Click on the link to have a read....

<https://catholicwinchester.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/Ordinary-Time-January-2021.pdf>

**Welcome.....** If this is your first time reading the newsletter, then you are particularly welcome. Please get in touch - we'd love to tell you about everything that's going on here, and invite you to join us. Just to start you off, elsewhere in the newsletter you will find our services, our virtual church timetable and other activities. Look at our website <https://www.catholicwinchester.org.uk/>, or our [Facebook page](#) or email [office@stpeterswinchester.org.uk](mailto:office@stpeterswinchester.org.uk)

### Charges for parking in the Library Car Park on Sundays

This is a gentle reminder that parking in the Library Car Park on a SUNDAY is no longer free - there is a charge of £2 for all day parking. The fine is £25 if paid within 14 days or else £50.

## The new lockdown regulations

In other lockdown periods the church was closed to the public, or open only for private prayer, but this time we are able to stay open and hold services, and for the moment we have made only one change to the timetable: **Please note that we will not be holding our 8.00am Sunday Mass until further notice.** The **family mass at 3.30pm on Saturdays** will continue for now, but will be at St Peter's every week so it can be watched online (see note below).

We want everyone to stay safe and take due care: we – all of us - have been given a responsibility by being allowed to continue going to church so it's important that we observe the social distancing regulations. We've had a trust placed in us, and we must respect that – that's the only way we can keep our churches open.

**If you can still come to church** safely, please do so, bearing in mind safe behaviour at all times – it's particularly important that you keep your distance from those in the congregation from other households, and don't socialise or stop and chat with them at the end of Mass, either inside or outside church. Please: wave, nod, smile and greet from a distance. We know how hard that is, none of us likes it, but we have to observe the rules in the hope of a better future...

And remember that **all services from St Peter's are livestreamed** so you can always take part from home.

### Update/Changes to our website

We've been making some changes to our website: you may have had problems accessing it this week, but it should be OK now. It's still a work in progress, so let us know what you think about the changes. The link is still the same: [The Parish of St Peter and the Winchester Martyrs](#)

**Newsletter** We are planning on making some changes to the newsletter - so we'd love to hear from you if you have any comments. Do you think it's too detailed or too long? What do you think of the cover email? Do you read every word, or just skim? Which features do you like, and which would you get rid of? Email [editor@stpeterswinchester.org.uk](mailto:editor@stpeterswinchester.org.uk) Thanks to everyone who has already sent in comments – we are reading them all carefully.

## FAMILY MASS – SATURDAYS, 3.30PM

**We want to support our families - please know there's a special mass for you at St. Peter's at the moment: 3:30pm on Saturday's. It's there if you'd find it helpful (but there's no pressure on you to come) - we'll keep it going as long as there's a need (and if we stop we'll start again as soon as there is a need). It will always be livestreamed for live viewing, or catch up later**



**PLEASE PRAY FOR** the repose of the souls of those who have died recently

Helena Mary O'Leary RIP  
Sean Quinn RIP  
Anne McMahon RIP



### PRAYER CORNER:

Each week, this section will contain an intercession that I hope every parishioner will pray for during the coming week. In this way, we will all pray to the Lord for the parish's mission, because *"if the Lord does not build... in vain do the builders labour"* (Ps 127:1) **Fr. Mark**



**This Week's Intention** **Let us pray that we are able to hear God's call to follow him, and to show others the hope and joy that Christ brings.'**

### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, 'Adoration'

We cannot encounter God and remain unchanged however subtle the encounter.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (Adoration) takes place every day in St Peter's Church. Come spend time with the One who knows you best!

Times: 8am – 9am weekdays

11am – 12pm every day (this week only not Sat - Jan 23<sup>rd</sup>) except Sunday, when it is 11 till 11.45 because of mass

To participate online or see the recorded services for Morning Prayer & Adoration and Night Prayer & Adoration, go to our YouTube channel

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCbGgrcbDyLY75pmCAopfLlg/live>



### Bishop's survey for all parishioners

**Bishop Philip writes:** 'I want to understand better what the people and parishioners of our Diocese think and what they consider is important to them as we journey in faith together. So we have created a survey. It covers many areas and will take 10-20 minutes to complete. Here is a link to it: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2XRKQDS>. It can also be found on the diocesan website [www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](http://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk) We will publish the results in the Spring.' If you are not online and would like a paper copy, please let us know.

### Parish Diaries - Giveaway

If anyone would like a small pocket parish diary then please do email the Parish Office [office@stpeterswinchester.org.uk](mailto:office@stpeterswinchester.org.uk) or ring 01962 852804.

As we cannot leave these diaries out at the back of the church, the diaries will be posted out to you.



### Responding to the prompt (of the Holy Spirit)

**A Portsmouth Diocese Meeting Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> February 10am to 1pm on Zoom**

This online event, organised by a team working with our own Fr Mark (in his diocesan role), is an opportunity to inspire and to hear from others about how we, as Church, in Portsmouth Diocese have responded – or how we might respond-- in practical ways, to the Great Commission (Mt 28: 19).

Register at [www.tinyurl.com/6th-feb-21](http://www.tinyurl.com/6th-feb-21) to receive the Zoom link.

Opening with prayer led by Fr Kelvin from Boars Hill Carmel near Oxford. Fr Mike Schmitz will challenge and inspire us, in a video, to respond to the spirit just as the apostles did at Pentecost. In breakout rooms we will share how we think we might respond to Jesus's commission, or share what has already worked, or could work. Others will give short introductions to their approach to Mission.

### Second Collection for St. John's Cathedral, Portsmouth 23-24 January 2021

This weekend we take the annual second collection in support of your Cathedral in Portsmouth

Appeal envelopes will be available at all masses for those who do not have gift aided planned giving envelopes for second collections. This collection is the only support our Cathedral receives from the wider Diocesan family.

Due to the lockdown and restrictions being imposed on many people travelling, a 'Give as you Live' page has also been created to enable you to donate online at:

<https://donate.giveasyoulive.com/fundraising/cathedral-annual-appeal>

Understandably, we all are aware that these are difficult times for us all, but please give generously to support your cathedral, gift aiding your donation wherever possible.

### Children's Liturgy Online

Our weekly Children's Liturgy is up and running again now via our online Zoom platform. The sessions take place at 9:30am - 9:50am on Sundays, so you are then free to join in with the 10am livestreamed Mass if you wish. To make the sessions as secure as possible, you will need to pre-register here:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUpd-CgqDsjHdFJaIMzv9TVFB4lu-9cEITv>



You will then receive an email with an individual ID (please don't share this with anyone) and a few safeguarding reminders.

Printable activity & colouring sheets are put up in advance on the website: <https://catholicwinchester.org.uk/young/childrens-liturgy-online/> and the other details are there too. We look forward to seeing you there!



### Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

This runs each year from 18<sup>th</sup> January – 25<sup>th</sup> January (the Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul). Pope Francis shared some beautiful words at his weekly audience about this year's week of prayer. He reminded us Christians that unity is achieved only with the grace of God, and not through our own force of will.

"Jesus did not command His disciples to be united, but rather prayed that they might be." This, said the Pope, "means that we are not able to achieve unity with our own strength. Unity is above all a gift, a grace to be requested through prayer."

As the Apostle Paul observed, each of us experiences a painful conflict within ourselves, in which we desire the good but find ourselves inclined toward evil. Our internal conflict, said Pope Francis, is a reminder that the true solution comes "by asking God for peace, reconciliation, and unity." He said Jesus prayed for His own, "that they may all be one" (Jn 17:21). "Our prayer for unity," he added, "is thus a humble but trusting participation in the Lord's prayer."

"During this time of serious hardship, this prayer is even more necessary so that unity might prevail over conflicts." "To pray means to fight for unity," said the Pope. This means fighting against the discord and division which the devil seeks to sow by magnifying the defects and mistakes of others in our eyes. God, however, offers another path. "He takes us as we are, different, sinners, and nudges us towards unity." So, Pope Francis invited everyone to sow unity in our homes and workplaces with the tools God has given us: "prayer and love."

### Prayer for Winchester

The theme of this year's Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is: "Abide in my love and you shall bear much fruit." By seeking unity, we find that Christians of other confessions are gifts from God. "Let us begin to pray for them and, when possible, with them," concluded Pope Francis. "We will thus learn to love and appreciate them."

We cannot come together in physically this year but we have organised a time of prayer with other Christians in and around Winchester to express our unity by praying together for our communities, city, nation and world.

Tuesday 2 February 2021, 7.30-8.30pm on ZOOM.

**If you wish to take part, contact us to be sent the details of the zoom link: [prayers@stpeterswinchester.org.uk](mailto:prayers@stpeterswinchester.org.uk)**



**Message from St. Peter's School**

Dear Parents

**The Calling of Samuel**

This week in our Gospel Assembly, we focused not on the Gospel but on the first reading, as the calling of Samuel is such a powerful story for children to hear.

*The LORD came and stood there, calling as at the other times, "Samuel! Samuel!"  
Then Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening." Samuel 1:10*

The children reflected on how God calls us today and thought about how do we take the time to listen to Him? We often remind the children, and ourselves, that we have two ears and one mouth – and so, should aim to do twice as much listening to speaking. Do you ask the Lord to 'speak' to you? How do you expect God to 'speak' to you (prayer/time/reflection/good deeds ...)? The children regularly refer to our mantra of 'Be kind, be kind and be kind some more' – through such actions God speaks to all.

Dear God

Thank you for St Peter's School.  
Thank you for everyone in our school family, from the youngest to the oldest.  
Thank you that you know our names.  
Thank you that we are each very, very special to you.  
Help us to learn more about you so that we can follow you like Samuel did.

Amen

The Gospel challenge is for the children to find out what their name means and why were they given it?

Do share the story of their names as it is so often an interesting one - one which shares family history, heritage and custom.

*Do not be afraid, I have called you by your name, you are mine. Isaiah 43:1*



Best wishes, Louise Buxton (Miss), Headteacher

**CWL News**

A New Year, and we were all pleased to be meeting after the Christmas/New Year break. Our weekly Zoom Meetings begin with our League Prayers, amid continuing thoughts of the Coronavirus overshadowing everyone's life; one of our members is working on the front line. It is indeed a Godsend now that vaccinations are being administered, and several of our members have now been vaccinated. Christmas was different for all of us but, as with everyone, we just made the best of it, glad to be able to connect with family on line.

Last year, some members joined courses on Zoom, one course run with Allegra, another with Fr. Stephen and Tony Darlison, others with Deacon Gerard and Deacon Martin, all a great success. As well as that, several members were busy with their knitting needles, making hats to donate to the Apostleship of the Sea, we are grateful to Deacon Gerard who arranged for their delivery. A disappointment, because Keat's Restaurant at Ampfield has now closed, we will have to make other arrangements for our annual Christmas lunch and may do something in the Summer instead.

Each year we discuss the Charities we might support, and in December we raised £250 for the Salvation Army for their Christmas Appeal. With all the money that was raised, the Salvation Army were able to make up presents, hampers and provide hot Christmas Day meals.

On the first Sunday of Advent, 116 CWL ladies from across the country, linked into a very successful Zoomed Advent service, lead and organised by Winchester Section. Following on from this, discussion began about our leading a Lenten Stations of the Cross Service next month. Our Zoom meeting concludes with three Hail Mary's for past Members.

**COVENANT WITH THE POOR: THANK YOU**

Thank-you to all in the parish who have contributed to the appeal for the Winchester Women's Refuge children's playroom, made by the Covenant with the Poor team during Advent. So far over £4,600 has been received (including gift aid), which brings us very close to the target of £5,000.

Thank you all for your continued support.

**For young people:** We are still having our two **youth groups** for year 7-9, and for year 10-13, but online! Dates for next sessions are 3rd Feb (y7-9), and 24th Feb (y10-13). We play games, do activities and have discussions about chosen topics, and then end in a prayer. It starts at 7pm for the year 7-9s and 7.30 for the 10-13s. Anyone is welcome, you do not have to be Catholic!  
We're also holding a **virtual drop in** on Mondays from 12.30pm - 1.30pm for anyone in year 7 and above. You do have to sign up so that we know who is coming into the group, but you can do this in 5 minutes, so you could sign up and then follow the link directly into the meeting. It's an open space to come and chat, so feel free to drop by! Email [youthstuff@stpeterswinchester.org.uk](mailto:youthstuff@stpeterswinchester.org.uk) to get the links for any of these, and for more information.



You are warmly invited to a Zoom meeting to mark



### Holocaust Memorial Day 2021: Be the Light in the Darkness

on Wednesday 27 January at 7.00pm

Jewish, Muslim and Christian leaders (Rabbi Maurice Michaels is leader at the Bournemouth Reform Synagogue; Peer-jada Qureshi is a lawyer and a founder of the Winchester Muslim Cultural Association; and our own Fr Mark) explore how their communities see the scriptural mandate to 'be a light in the darkness' and how the faithful interpret this in action.

There will be presentations from three leaders, as well as the chance in chatrooms to meet one another and share our responses and experiences of light in the darkness. The session will be chaired by Catherine Ogle, Dean of Winchester.

Fr Mark thinks that many of you would find this an interesting and thought-provoking conversation. Please register by emailing [DeanPA@winchester-cathedral.org.uk](mailto:DeanPA@winchester-cathedral.org.uk) For further details of this year's theme, see <https://www.hmd.org.uk/what-is-holocaust-memorial-day/this-years-theme>.

**Each migrant and refugee is a human being** .... These were the words of Bishop Paul McAleenan in his homily on the World Day of Migrants and Refugees. Pope Francis called us to recognise Christ in every displaced person. The 'tragic fate of the displaced and refugees', like that of Jesus' parents fleeing with him into Egypt, is 'marked by fear, uncertainty and unease'. <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/home/events/previous-events/days-of-prayer/world-day-of-migrants-refugees-2020/popes-message-wdmr2020/> At a local level, our parish strongly supports the work of the Southampton and Winchester Visitors Group, SWVG, in befriending and assisting refugees and people seeking asylum.

As has recently been reported in the press, the government is now planning to build a camp for people seeking asylum on Ministry of Defence land at Barton Stacey. There is indeed an urgent need for accommodation for people seeking asylum, exacerbated by the huge backlog that has built up in the asylum system during the pandemic, but along with Caroline Nokes M.P. and local councillors, SWVG is very concerned about this proposal, which would see 500 young men housed in portacabin-style blocks next to a village with a population of 1000, seven miles from the nearest town. As Chris Stephens, chair of SWVG wrote in a letter to the Hampshire Chronicle, <https://www.hampshirechronicle.co.uk/news/18969527.letter-asylum-seeker-camp-proposed-barton-stacey-wrong-place/>, people who have fled conflict, torture or imprisonment need to be able to access medical and mental health facilities, libraries and English classes as well as legal support. The proposed site is completely unsuitable. If you would like to object to the scheme and support the right of vulnerable people to suitable accommodation and support, please write to your M.P. as soon as possible. To find your M.P. go to <https://members.parliament.uk/members/Commons>

### Gospel of Mark - Scripture Reflection series with Deacon Martin

Deacon Martin invites you to join him, and other parishioners, on a journey through the Gospel of Mark.

Throughout this year, most of our Sunday gospels (and those at weekday Mass) are from Mark's gospel. So we hope this series will help you put each of those gospel readings in context - as we'll read and reflect together on a chapter each week.

The format of each session will be discussion-based, plus a summary of each chapter's key themes from Deacon Martin. There'll also be plenty of opportunities to ask questions, and meet other parishioners. Don't worry if you can't attend every session: you'll be given the materials from each week's session to catch up if you want.

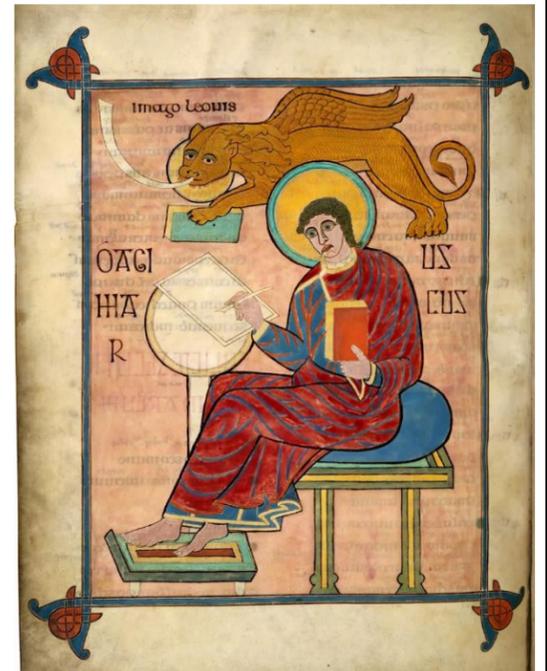
The sessions are taking place weekly over Zoom, on Friday evenings, from 19:45-21:30, starting Friday 5th March.

To join us, and get more details, please register via the following link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZludOGtqD4oGdaE2DG12xsvz4CgBP3AxqWz>

If you have any questions, please email [formation@stpeterswinchester.org.uk](mailto:formation@stpeterswinchester.org.uk).

We hope you will join us, not only to learn about Mark's gospel, but more importantly to get to know its subject: "Jesus Christ, the Son of God" ([Mk 1:1](#)).



Frontispiece of the gospel of Mark, from the Lindisfarne Gospels (Cotton MS Nero D IV), courtesy of the British Library.

#### Useful Contacts

Clergy: Fr Mark Hogan (Parish Priest); Fr Anthony Chiatu Njingo (Assistant Priest); & Fr Stephen Vooght

Deacon Gerard Dailly and Deacon Martin McElroy

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**The Christmas Crib / Nativity Scene** remains in St Peter's church until 2<sup>nd</sup> February and can be visited whenever the church is open.

It's traditional each year to collect **crib offerings** to support those in need. This year, ours will go to the

**Knights of the Holy Sepulchre** to assist children and schools in the Holy Land: see more here [www.khs.org.uk](http://www.khs.org.uk) They are a Roman Catholic order of knighthood under the protection of the Holy See. The Pope is sovereign of the Order. They ask "Please pray at the crib for all our Christian brothers and sisters in the Middle East at this time."



# Virtual Church Programme – Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> January - Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> January

All public liturgies are also live streamed.

	Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup> Jan 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> Jan The Conversion of St Paul	Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> Jan Saints Timothy & Titus	Wed 27 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> Jan St Thomas Aquinas	Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Saturday 30 <sup>th</sup> Jan
8am – 9am		Public Morning Prayer & Adoration	Public Morning Prayer & Adoration	Public Morning Prayer & Adoration	Public Morning Prayer & Adoration	Public Morning Prayer & Adoration	9am Public Mass @ St Peter's
9.20 – 9.50am	Children's Liturgy Online (See above for registration)						
10am	Sunday Mass <i>Live stream only</i>		Public Mass @ St Peter's	Public Mass @ St Peter's	Public Mass @ St Peter's		
11.15am	St Peter's Tea Room <i>Zoom Virtual room</i>						
11am – 12noon		Holy Hour (Adoration) @ St Peter's	Holy Hour (Adoration) @ St Peter's	Holy Hour (Adoration) @ St Peter's	Holy Hour (Adoration) @ St Peter's	Holy Hour (Adoration) @ St Peter's	
12noon	Public Mass @ St Peter's						
12.15pm		Public Mass @ St Peter's				Public Mass @ St Peter's	
2.55pm		Divine Mercy chaplet <i>Zoom virtual room</i>	Divine Mercy chaplet <i>Zoom virtual room</i>	Divine Mercy chaplet <i>Zoom virtual room</i>	Divine Mercy chaplet <i>Zoom virtual room</i>	Divine Mercy chaplet <i>Zoom virtual room</i>	
3.30pm							Family mass @ St Peter's
5.30pm	Public Mass @ St Peter's						Public Mass @ St Peter's
7pm		Public Mass @ St Peter's	Public Mass @ St Peter's	Public Mass @ St Peter's	Public Mass @ St Peter's	Public Mass @ St Peter's	
9pm	Night Prayer - <i>Live Stream only</i>	Night Prayer - <i>Live Stream only</i>	Night Prayer - <i>Live Stream only</i>	Night Prayer - <i>Live Stream only</i>	Night Prayer - <i>Live Stream only</i>	Night Prayer - <i>Live Stream only</i>	Night Prayer - <i>Live Stream only</i>

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<p><b>Readings and Antiphons</b></p> <p><b>Sunday 24 January 2021 – 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time ■</b></p> <p><b>Entrance Antiphon – Cf. Ps 95: 1, 6 ·</b>                  O sing a new song to the Lord;                  sing to the Lord, all the earth.                  In his presence are majesty and splendour,                  strength and honour in his holy place.</p> <p><b>First reading - Jonah 3:1-5,10 ·</b></p> <p><b>Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 24(25):4,6,7b-9 ·</b>  <i>R/ Lord, make me know your ways.</i></p> <p><b>Second reading - 1 Corinthians 7:29-31 ·</b></p> <p><b>Gospel Acclamation - Mk1:15 ·</b>                  Alleluia, alleluia!                  The kingdom of god is close at hand:                  Repent, and believe the Good News.                  Alleluia!</p> <p><b>Gospel - Mark 1:14-20 ·</b></p> <p><b>Communion Antiphon Cf.Ps 33:6 ·</b>                  I am the light of the world, says the Lord,                  Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness,                  But will have the light of life.</p>	<p><b>'The Father's Love Letter'</b></p> <p>Did you hear Fr Mark reading out 'The Father's Love Letter' at the Sunday masses recently? It's an amazing text, entirely made up of Bible verses, and a joy to read. You can read it again here for some hope and encouragement...  <a href="https://www.fathersloveletter.com/text.html">https://www.fathersloveletter.com/text.html</a> - just an example ....</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>My Child,</b>                  You may not know me, but I know everything about you.  <a href="#">Psalm 139:1</a>                  I know when you sit down and when you rise up.  <a href="#">Psalm 139:2</a>                  I am familiar with all your ways.  <a href="#">Psalm 139:3</a>                  Even the very hairs on your head are numbered.  <a href="#">Matthew 10:29-31</a>                  For you were made in my image.  <a href="#">Genesis 1:27</a>                  In me you live and move and have your being.  <a href="#">Acts 17:28</a></p>
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Mass Timetable	23 <sup>rd</sup> – 30 <sup>th</sup> January 2021			
Date	Mass Times & Intentions			Livestream/Public
<b>SATURDAY – January 23<sup>rd</sup></b> <i>Feria or Our Lady on Saturday</i>	9 AM	Mass	Deceased members of Blessed Sacrament Guild	Livestream, public
	11 AM	First Holy Communion Children and their Families		Livestream only
	3.30 PM	Family mass at St Peter's		Livestream, Public, booking reqd
	5.30PM	Vigil Mass	Birthday Intentions – Lemuel Franco	Livestream, Public, booking reqd
<b>SUNDAY – January 24<sup>th</sup></b> 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time	8 AM	<b>THERE IS NO 8.00AM SUNDAY MASS UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE</b>		
	9 AM	Mass at St Thomas More's		Public, booking reqd *
	9.15 AM	Mass at St Stephen's		Public, booking reqd
	10.00AM	Mass	For the Founders	Livestream only
	11 AM	Mass at St Gregory's		Public, booking reqd
	11-11.45 AM	Adoration & private prayer		Open to public
	12 Noon	Mass		Livestream, Public, booking reqd
	5.30PM	Mass	People of the Parish	Livestream, Public, booking reqd
<b>MONDAY – January 25<sup>th</sup></b> THE CONVERSION OF ST PAUL (feast)	12.15PM	Mass	Soul of Jacob Cook	Livestream & public
	7.00PM	Mass	Jonathan Brook RIP	Livestream & public
<b>TUESDAY – January 26<sup>th</sup></b> <i>St Timothy &amp; St Titus (mem.)</i>	10AM	Mass	Soul of Eleanor Meader	Livestream & Public
	10 AM	Mass at ST GREGORY'S	Teresita Bogard	Public
	7.00PM	Mass	Helena Mary O'Leary RIP	Livestream & public
<b>WEDNESDAY – January 27<sup>th</sup></b> <i>St Angela merici or Feria</i>	10AM	Mass		Livestream & public
	7PM	Mass		Livestream & public
<b>THURSDAY – January 28<sup>th</sup></b> <i>St Thomas Aquinas (mem.)</i>	10AM	Mass		Livestream, Public
	7 PM	Mass		Livestream, Public
<b>FRIDAY – January 29<sup>th</sup></b> <i>Feria</i>	10 AM	Mass at St Gregory's		Public
	12.15PM	Mass	Dead in the cemeteries	Livestream, Public
	7 PM	Mass	Joacquin Abas, birthday	Livestream, Public
<b>SATURDAY – January 30<sup>th</sup></b> <i>Feria or Our Lady on Saturday</i>	9 AM	Mass		Livestream, Public
	3.30 PM	Family mass at St Peter's		Public, booking reqd
	5.30 PM	Vigil Mass	Joseph Pappachan RIP	Livestream, public, booking reqd

All at St. Peter's, except where stated. \*To book mass at St Thomas More's Stockbridge, email Anne [anne@annekeenan.co.uk](mailto:anne@annekeenan.co.uk). If you would like a phone number to call her, please ring the office 01962 852804 to ask for it.

All other bookings via website homepage - [The Parish of St Peter & the Winchester Martyrs](#) - or call office 01962 852804

Note that the **FAMILY MASSES** (3.30pm Sats) are always at St Peter's for now.

Night prayer (livestream only) every evening from St Peter's, 9pm

Morning Prayer (open to public) every weekday, Monday to Friday, 8am, followed by Adoration till 9am

St Peter's also open for Adoration and private prayer every day 11 till 12 (11.45 on Sundays) – not on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup>

Confessions are usually available (without booking) on Saturdays, 11 till noon, then 4.30 to 5 – not on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup>

ALL SERVICES (INCLUDING MORNING PRAYER, NIGHT PRAYER & ADORATION) FROM ST PETER'S ARE LIVESTREAMED