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"Meeting people where they are - leading them to where God calls them to be!"



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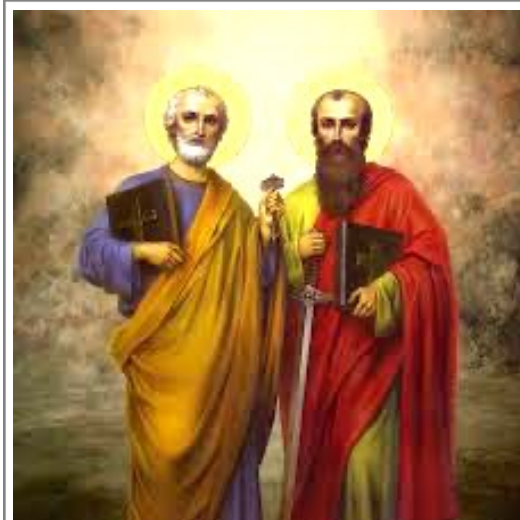
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Today we celebrate St Peter and St Paul to honour the two great apostles. St. Peter, one of the Twelve and the chief of the Apostles, the Rock upon which Christ built His Church, and St. Paul "called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God" (Romans 1:1) and Apostle to the Gentiles. Together they are honoured as founders of the Church of Rome, having been separately martyred there during the reign of Emperor Nero.



"Christian tradition has always considered Sts. Peter and Saint Paul to be inseparable: indeed, together, they represent the whole Gospel of Christ." (Pope Benedict XVI). Today, we have **three "hopes"** for our Parishes: **Welcome, Transform and Send.**

Welcome means: We offer a Home in a family-spirited Community - The experience of a family-spirited community is essential for any success of renewal. Why? Because people like and thrive in communities where they feel at home. Our Lord founded a community to give a framework where a religious experience could grow. Without community, people would just stand alone with no support, no orientation and no chance of healing. **Transform**

means: The call to holiness is for everyone, -all Christians in any state or walk of life are called to the fullness of the Christian life and to the perfection of love. Sanctity is not just a vocation for a few "specialists," but want for everyone. **Send means:** Being an apostle is all about making ourselves available for God's work and surrendered ourselves to participate in God's mission. If we want to build God's kingdom and make it present, then we have to build his kingdom in our own hearts first. *Finally a story:* More than a century ago, a great sailing ship was stranded off the coast of South America. Week after week, the ship lay there in still waters with not a hint of breeze. The captain was desperate, and the crew was dying of thirst. Then, in the far horizon, a steamship appeared heading directly toward them. As it drew near, the captain called out, "We need water! Give us water!"

After a silence that felt like an eternity, someone on the steamship shouted back, "Lower your buckets where you are!" The captain was furious. He called again: "Please give us some water, we are dying of thirst!" The steamer gave the same reply: "Lower your buckets where you are." With that, the steamship sailed away. The captain was beside himself. His anger turned into despair. He did not know what to do. He wandered the boat, lost and hopeless. Eventually, he went below the deck. There he watched a haggard row man shaking violently as he lowered a bucket into the sea. The captain then watched this man taste what was hoisted up. The second the water hit this man's lips, the captain knew: it was perfectly sweet, fresh water. It turns out, the ship was just outside the mouth of the Amazon River for all of those weeks. All along, they had been sitting right on top of all the fresh water they ever needed.



*St. Peter in Chains
and St. Bride's,
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Liturgy of the Week - Thirteenth Week of the Year

ST PETER IN CHAINS <i>Father Duncan McVicar Canon Matt McManus Sister Ursula, Sister Anna</i>	ST PETER'S MASS INTENTIONS <i>RD = Recently Died, A = Anniversary, T = Thanksgiving, SI = Special Intention</i>	ST BRIDE'S <i>Fr Duncan McVicar Fr Gerry Hamill</i>	ST MARY'S <i>Canon Martin Poland Canon Matt McManus Sister Ursula, Sister Anna</i>	ST JOHN'S <i>Canon Martin Poland Canon Matt McManus Sister Ursula, Sister Anna</i>
SATURDAY, 28TH JUNE Saturday Vigil of Ss Peter and Paul Mass at 5.30pm	<i>William and Mary Magee (A)</i>		Holy Mass at 4.30pm	
SUNDAY, 29TH JUNE Solemnity of Ss Peter & Paul Holy Mass at 10.30am	<i>For all the deceased members of our Parish of St Peter's</i>	Mass at 12.15pm <i>For all the deceased members of our Parish of St Bride's</i>	Holy Mass at 10am	Holy Mass at 11.30am
MONDAY, 30TH JUNE Memorial of Roman Martyrs Rosary at 9.30am Holy Mass at 10am	<i>The Gormley Family (T)</i>			
TUESDAY, 1ST JULY Morning Prayer at 9.40am Holy Mass at 10am	<i>Bernard Kilbane and William Calvert (A)</i>	Morning Prayer at 9.40am Holy Mass at 10am	Holy Mass at 10am	
WEDNESDAY, 2ND JULY Requiem Mass for Charles Clarke at 10am	<i>Offered for Charles Clarke and his Family.</i>			Holy Mass at 10am
THURSDAY, 3RD JULY Feast of St Thomas Rosary at 9.30am Holy Mass at 10am	<i>Joseph and Sarah Sammons (A)</i>		Holy Mass at 10am	
FRIDAY, 4TH JULY 13th Week of the Year Rosary at 9.30am Holy Mass at 10am Benediction at 10.30am Afterwards Refreshments in St Peter's Cafe	<i>Michael James Gallagher (RD)</i>	Holy Mass at 10am		Holy Mass at 10am
SATURDAY, 5TH JULY 14th Sunday of the Year(C) Vigil Mass at 5.30pm	<i>For a Happy Death</i>		Holy Mass at 4.30pm	

FEAST OF ST THOMAS THE APOSTLE ON THURSDAY

On July 3, the Church celebrates the feast day of St. Thomas the Apostle. Best known for his initial unwillingness to believe the other apostles in their claim that Jesus had risen from the dead, St. Thomas can teach the faithful about believing without seeing. As an apostle, Thomas was dedicated to following the Lord. Upon hearing that Jesus was returning to Judea, an area that would pose dangers due to the growing animosity of the authorities there, he immediately said to the other apostles, "Let us also go, that we may die with him" (Jn 11:16). Yet despite this determination, Thomas proved not only too weak to stand beside Jesus as he faced his crucifixion, but also doubted the Lord's Resurrection when he was told about it by the other apostles. Denying their story, he told them, "Unless I see in his hands the print of the nails, and place my finger in the mark of the nails, and place my hand in his side, I will not believe" (Jn 20:25).



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Archie Blades. Stephen McEwan, Jim McEwan



FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY
Charles Clarke

THOSE WHO HAVE DIED AT THIS TIME OF YEAR

John, Peter, Francis Jim and Paul Breslin, Teresa Weldon 2024, James Conaghan 1999, Margaret Donnelly 1953, Angela Holloway née Friel 2012, William Magee 1997, Peter McEvoy 1967, Rose McKenzie 1998, Freddie McMillan 2018, Helen Taylor 1998, Ellen Wardrope 2018, Hugh Brodie 1964, Patrick Burns 2000, Antonio Da Prato 1984, Rose Doyle 2008, John McFarlane 1956, Betty Sloan 2007, Oliviero Agostini 1940, James Brennan 1963, Father Michael Lynch 2004, Stuart McDonald 2006, Giocondo Michellini 1960, Peter Reilly 2018, Kathleen Robertson 2005, Josephine Slaven 2008, Mary Tonner 1936, Margaret Fisher 2005, Thomas Magee 1995, John Boyle 2021, Rosetta McKay 1994, Ian Moran 1975, Lavinia (Bunty) Orr 2011, William Swanson 2022, Patrick Tourish 1986, Andrew Toner 2010

▪Chair Dance with Louie at St Peter's

Chair Dance on Thursdays at 12.15pm till 1pm in the Parish Centre, £3.00 entry. *Come along and join us!*

▪Youth Evenings are a-comin' - watch this Space

We hope to start for September a Youth Evening once a month at St Peter's for young people between 12 and 16 years of age. The evening would be on the third Sunday of the month in term time, starting with a simple Mass at 5pm and finishing at 7pm with games and input and refreshments. The Meetings would take place at St Peter's. To make the Youth evening possible, we need some adult leaders, who are able to be present and support. This is a great opportunity to get something going for our young people in the Parishes. Can you help in any way? *Get in touch with Father Duncan!*

▪ Saint Matthew's Community Wardrobe

Saint Matthew's Community Wardrobe will be open on Tuesday, July 8th between 10am-2pm. New and pre-loved school uniform will be available. No appointment necessary. Any donations of pre-loved uniform and school ties will be gratefully received at the school before the end of term. Please contact Louise Stevenson on 01294 606680 for more information.

▪ Peter's Pence Collection - this Week

This week's second collection will be taken up for Peter's Pence. *Many thanks for your kind generosity.*

▪ Knit & Knatter Group at St Peter's

The Knit & Knatter Group has now stopped for the summer. They will start back again on Wednesday 3rd September 2025 at 1:00pm in the Lesser Hall. New members are very welcome. Chair Dance will carry on as usual.

▪ Requiem Mass for Charles Clarke at St Peter's

Please pray for the Repose of the Soul of Charles Clarke, who died on 11th June, 2025, aged 84 years. His Requiem Mass will be on Wednesday, 2nd July at 10am, followed by interment at Ardrossan Cemetery. Many he rest in peace and rise in glory!

▪ Sacrament of Baptism - St Peter's

We welcome to the Family of the Church Jacob Ray Charles Smith, who will be baptised this Saturday. Congratulations to the parents and to the Godparents.

▪ New WhatsApp Groups at St Bride's

The different groups of Parish Ministries are currently being invited to join a Parish WhatsApp Group, i.e. for Readers, Sacristans, and Eucharistic Ministers, to improve information and communication.



"Whenever you are filled with worry, desperate for hope, looking for clarity, or just need a moment of peace, go to a quiet place and visit Jesus in the Eucharist. Just talk to Him like He's sitting on the altar. He'll give you exactly what you need."

JENNA GREIWE
Beautiful Eucharist

DO IT ANYWAY

People are often unreasonable, irrational, and self-centered.

Forgive them anyway.

If you are kind, people may accuse you of selfish, ulterior motives.

Be kind anyway.

If you are successful, you will win some unfaithful friends and some genuine enemies.

Succeed anyway.

If you are honest and sincere, people may deceive you.

Be honest and sincere anyway.

What you spend years creating, others could destroy overnight.

Create anyway.

If you find serenity and happiness, some maybe jealous.

Be happy anyway.

The good you do today, will often be forgotten.

Do good anyway.

Give the best you have, and it will never be enough.

Give your best anyway.

In the final analysis, it is between you and God.

It was never between you and them anyway.

- Mother Teresa -

JUST FOR A LAUGH

These sentences actually appeared in church bulletins or were announced in church services:

Irving Benson and Jessie Carter were married on October 24 in the church. So ends a friendship that began in their school days.

A bean supper will be held on Tuesday evening in the church hall. Music will follow.

Please place your donation in the envelope along with the deceased person you want remembered.

Potluck supper Sunday at 5:00 PM - prayer and medication to follow.

The Primary School Children will be presenting Shakespeare's Hamlet in the Church basement Friday at 7 PM. The congregation is invited to attend this tragedy.

Weight Watchers will meet at 7 PM in the Hall. Please use large double door at the side entrance.

→ St Peter's Parish Stewardship ←

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