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Newsletter

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**Saints Peter and Paul
Solemnity**

**Thirteenth Week in
Ordinary Time
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Vol. I psalter week I

Next Sunday's Readings

- Acts 12:1-11
- Ps.33:2-9. R.v5
- 2 Timothy 4:6-8. 17-18
- Matthew 16:13-19

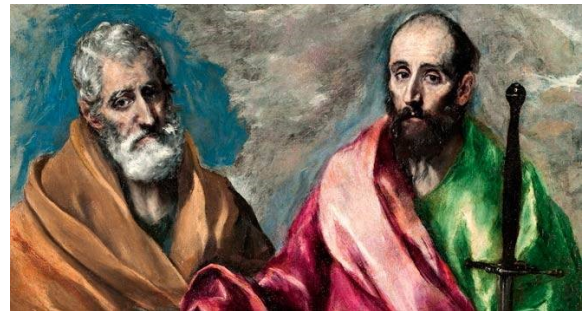
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Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul

A call to bear witness and to have faith

The scope and nature of Christian witness are to be found in the feast we celebrate today. The feast shows two great members of the family of God now in heaven, Peter and Paul, courageously following Jesus and prepared and committed to witnessing to their faith in Christ. Both have the same focus, and both are conscious of their limitations. They paint a consistent portrait of Jesus, both to be revered as Lord and yet, as the humble servant of the Father, to be admired and imitated. Peter and Paul hold their ground in the face of persecutions. They witnessed through their lives and relied on the Lord to set them free from terrors, so that they could give their lives as an offering. They loved and trusted God to



the point that they let God himself fully to us. They guide them and lead them where He wants. A practical example is echoed in the Gospel. The Lord gives Peter the power to bind and to loose with the keys of the Kingdom of Heaven. These keys are universal because they have the power to open everything, even the most hardened hearts. Christ knows that Peter will fail in the short term but in the long term will win because he will realise that it is about relying on God's power and not his own. Peter and Paul encourage all of us to give ourselves wholeheartedly in love to Jesus as he has given

challenge us to be faithful to God, to acknowledge his living presence in the ordinary everyday events of our life and, in acknowledging our weakness, to see also, with God's power, our strength. The best testimony to the feast of Peter and Paul - who have lived the Gospel by being role models as Christ's disciples - is to think of the apostolic and witnessing dimension of our own Christian life. Let us then apply ourselves with renewed zeal and devotion to this task of being a modern-day Peter and Paul, as faithful ministers of the Gospel.

THE PARISH PASTORAL TEAM

Parish Priest: Canon John Clark MA

Parish Clergy: Fr Joseph Donkor MA and Deacon Julian Burling

Also Resident: Fr Francis Jayapathy SJ

Team Members: Sr Francis SSA, Sr Dorothy Perrott OSU and Cristina Connolly

Youth Minister: Eleanor Bowman

Adult Faith Formation Officer: Kelly Hockey

SECOND COLLECTION

Today, 30 June, on the feast of Ss Peter & Paul we are asked to support a collection (*Peter Pence*) which is destined to the Church's needs, humanitarian initiatives and social promotion projects, as well as to the support of the Holy See. The Pope, being pastor of the whole Church, is attentive to the material need of poor dioceses, religious institutes and of faithful in grave difficulties. Thank you for your support. Next Sunday 7 July the second collection will be the (postponed) collection in support of *World Communication Day*: this collection supports the work of the Catholic Communications Network (CCN), the media office of the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales. The CCN seeks to be of service both to the Church and the world in offering professional channels of communication, and provides support for the Bishops of England and Wales and the wider Church in promoting the Gospel through the media on current issues.

LOST PROPERTY

There are many items in our lost property box at the Presbytery: please do come and pick your lost property; things that are not collected until the end of next week will be donated to a local charity.

JM STAMP CUTTING

Please keep your used stamps! You can post them to Jesuit Missions, 11 Edge Hill, Wimbledon, SW19 4LR or pop them through their letterbox after Mass. JM are always looking for volunteers to join their stamp team which will meet again on Thursday 4 July at 9.30am.

Parish News

AT HOME

There will be **no** At Home until further notice.

SCHOOL SLIPS

School slips will be collected again this weekend.

CARDS

Cards for Confirmation are available at the Presbytery Reception.

Announcements

THE NEWMAN CIRCLE

In association with MyRaynes Park Festival 2019 present *The Common Good Lecture*: You are invited to a lively discussion on forming meaningful communities with Neil Jamieson CBE, founder and emeritus director of Citizens UK, Fr Gerard Mitchell SJ, our former parish priest, currently at St Anselm's Church, Dr Sebastian Chapleau, founding Headteacher of La Fontaine Academy and founding director of Citizen School Trust, Rabbi Janet Darley, formerly senior lecturer in economics at Kingston University, rabbi in South London Liberal

Synagogue and Esmat Jeraj, community organiser and activist who led the recent commission on Islam participation and public life. Thursday 4 July at 7pm for 7.30pm in the Upper Hall.

FIRST FRIDAY VIGIL OF PRAYER

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament for vocations to the priesthood and religious life and for World Peace will be on Friday 5 July starting after 6.30pm Mass continuing to midnight. Silent prayer to 8.30pm followed by meditations and prayers. Please come, if only for a short visit.

CONFIRMATION

Bishop Paul Hendricks will be visiting the parish to confer the sacrament of Confirmation to 55 young people of our parish, who have been preparing to receive the sacrament for the past months, on Saturday 6 July at 10am and on Sunday 7 July at 5pm. Please do remember these young people, their families and sponsors in your prayer over the coming weeks. Please note that there will be **no** morning confessions on Saturday 6 July.

Parish Organisations

YOUTH GROUP

The Youth Group will meet again today, 30 June, from 6.15 - 7.45pm in the Youth Room. These evenings follow a theme of discipleship and consist of games, small group discussion and prayer and all in y9+ are very welcome to join us.

ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP

Reimagining our Common Home: please join us for a parish climate change quiz and discussion groups on all things sustainable on Sunday 7 July, 6.30-8.30pm, in the Lower Hall. Light refreshments provided, all ages welcome! For catering purposes,

please RSVP to Sarah (sarah.tobin@btconnect.com).

FRIENDSHIP GROUP

'Anyone for Tennis?' Please come on Friday 5 July at 2.30pm and join us in the Lounge to watch some tennis from Wimbledon with Pimms, Strawberries & Cream, Tea & Cakes. All Welcome!

MEMORY LANE CLUB

Every Wednesday morning from 10.30am onwards to 12.30pm in the Parish Lounge. Open to everyone who suffers from memory loss/dementia and their carers. Refreshments, chat, bingo, music as well as vari-

ous games and activities available - all in an informal, friendly and fun atmosphere. Contact: edgehillmemorylaneclub@gmail.com or Jenny (07906 856 183), Charlotte (07714 702 735).

MOTHERS' PRAYER GROUP

The prayer group meets every Tuesday at 10.30am for approx. 1 hour. A simple set of formal prayers is used. This is a great opportunity to pray in a committed way for children. Contact Polly Harrison for more info (07815 855 469).

Social, Cultural & Notices

A SUMMER FEAST OF MUSIC

Katy's Songbirds present a *Summer Feast of Music* on Wednesday 17 July at 7.30pm (Pimms bar from 7pm) at the Sacred Heart Church; Soprano: Katy Lees, Pianist: Giles Kennedy, Choir: Katy's Songbirds and guests with music from Schubert, Strauss and Saint-Saëns to Elton John, Adele and The Beatles; grand raffle, bar until 10.30pm. Earlybird tickets (5£) are available from <http://feastofmusic-2019.eventbrite.ca>, from the presbytery or £10 on the door.

In support of Niamh, Gabriel and Leo; all money raised will go to The Royal Marsden Hospital, St Georges Hospital and Help Musicians UK. For more info please contact Katy at katylees@virginmedia.com.

COTTAS & CASSOCKS

We now need to wash all the cottas. If you can help, please take home a few of them, wash and iron them within the week and return them to the sacristy (label them with **w June 19**, so that everyone knows which ones are done)

Thank you! More info from Sadie Smith (020 8946 5198 sadiesmith3@talktalk.net).

EDGE HILL PLAYERS

Did you miss the Panto this year? Not to worry: you have a second chance to see *Cinderella* on DVD on the big screen today, 30 June, at 5pm in the Upper Hall. Come along, meet the cast and enjoy tea & cake and. All welcome!

'Showtime with the Edge Hill Players' on Saturday 13 July, 7.30pm in the Upper Hall. Come along to this fundraiser for *'Singin' in the Rain'*, their September production. See the stars of Edge Hill Players musicals and pantomimes performing song and dance numbers and letting their hair down with songs they've always wanted to sing for you! Supper & pay bar. Tickets £12 or £40 for a group of 4. Available from edgehillplayers.com/eventbrite

Children's auditions for the next parish pantomime: If you are currently year 6 or below and would like to be in the next pantomime, please come to one of the

following four sessions. Everyone who comes can be in the panto, and those who would like singing or speaking parts will get a chance to go on the stage and be auditioned: Monday 1 July 4.30pm or 5.30pm, Wednesday 3 July 4.30pm or 5.30pm.

VACANCIES

Wimbledon College:

1) Learning Support assistant with additional duties from September. Closing date 8 July.

2) Receptionist from September. Closing date 8 July.

3) Learning Support Assistant from September. Closing date 12 July.

Please contact the HR Officer on 020 8879 9323 or see website www.wimbledoncollege.org.uk (about us/job opportunities) for full details.

Holy Cross School

Learning Support Assistant from September 2019, closing date 8 July; please visit the school website for more info about the role and how to apply www.holycross.kingston.sch.uk

New to the Parish?

Please introduce yourself to a member of the Parish Team after Mass and register online at <https://sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk/> or by filling in a registration form, available at the back of the church.

LIVING THEOLOGY 2019

Living Theology York 2019 with the Newman Association are inviting you to a Study Weekend at The Bar Convent in York (YO24 1AQ), 13 & 14 July on *'Children of Abraham'* - Interfaith Topics with Fr. Damian Howard SJ (Christianity and Islam), Dr. George Herring (John Henry Newman), Gabriel Webber (Judaism), Dr. Geoffrey Turner (The Psalms), Frances Smith (Islamic Inheritance in Spain). Cost £70 (£35 a day), students half price including lunches & refreshments; for further details & to book, please visit www.jesuit.org.uk/living-theology-york-2019 or contact tpj.egerton@virgin.net 01642 645 732.

Exploring our Faith

ST. JOHN PAUL II WALKING PILGRIMAGE

Come and walk 50 miles for the intention of the New Evangelisation of England and Wales with the Dominican Sisters of St Joseph from 1-4 August. Going from Bury St Edmunds to Walsingham, each day we will celebrate Mass, pray morning and evening prayer and the rosary together, and hear talks.

Please note: pilgrims must be physically capable of walking 20 mi/day. Cost £90 pp, £60 students/unemployed and £50 per head for families. For info & to book: <http://www.dominicansistersofstjoseph.org/JPII> or call 01590 681874

A SHARED JOURNEY OF FAITH



If you are interested in exploring the Christian faith within the Catholic Church you are welcome to journey with us through weekly meetings held in the Parish Lounge. The post summer meetings resume on Monday 9 September.

For more information please take a leaflet from the back of the church entitled R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults into the Catholic Church).



CELEBRANTS FOR THIS SUNDAY

6.30pm (Sat) Fr J Donkor 11.15am Fr J Donkor
8.15am Fr J Donkor 12.45pm Fr F Jayapathy SJ
8.30am* Fr F Jayapathy SJ 5.00pm Fr M Barnes SJ
9.45am Fr Kinga SJ 8.00pm Fr F Jayapathy SJ

* SH School Mass Centre

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Sat 29 6.30pm Santhanam Anthony RIP
Mon 1 7.30am Alibert David RIP
10.00am Peter & Mary O'Hara
6.30pm Mary O'Reilly RIP
Tue 2 7.30am Dick Gaule RIP
10.00am Funeral Mass for Owen McGovern
6.30pm Kazimiera Owoc RIP
Wed 3 7.30am Margaret & Horace Vaz Wedd. Anniv.
10.00am Mark Mullins RIP
6.30pm Rose Poole RIP
Thu 4 7.30am James Chamarette RIP
10.00am Solange Curzon RIP
6.30pm David & Lorenza Boyce RIP
Fri 5 7.30am Judith White Ints.
10.00am Alfred Jessiman RIP
6.30pm John O'Brien RIP
Sat 6 7.30am Brendan Barden RIP
10.00am Diego Pinto RIP

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Those who have died recently: Owen McGovern, Emma Gregory

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Brian Meehan, George Minas, John Matthews, Roland Hill, Mary Portanier, Mateo Rudd, Neil Murphy, Siobhan Roughan, Tom Starkey, Alberto Mendizabal

The sick: John Kennedy, Mary Ann Williams, Maria Keaveney-Jessiman, Pio Fernandes, Annette Wheatley, Paul Jong, Jean Marie Hook, Richard Conceicao, Sheila Soodin, Maureen Searle, Kieran Walsh, Paul Saunders, Carol Donnelly, Mary Purcell Cosgrave, Damji Vadhia, Brian & Margaret Birch, Manjula Topno, Alina Hancock, Simon Hull, Lalita Nagar, Cath O'Neill, Trinity Kerin, Andrew Tan, Tom Searle, John Burke-Gaffney, Donald Derx, Margaret Lumley, Electa Almeida, Brian Sewell

Please note that for data protection reasons, individuals must explicitly agree for their names to be mentioned in our newsletter. Please let the Parish Office know **in writing** if either your name or the names of your relatives and friends should appear in our sick list.



COLLECTIONS

Collection at Mass last Sunday came to £1,957 in loose plate giving and £506 from the Planned Giving envelopes making a total of £2,463. This does not include £4,000 from monthly standing orders.

FEAST DAYS, MEMORIALS THIS WEEK

Monday 1 July St Oliver Plunket, Bishop, Martyr

Wednesday 3 July St Thomas, Apostle

Thursday 4 July St Elizabeth of Portugal

Friday 5 July St Anthony Zaccaria, Priest

Saturday 6 July St Maria Goretti, Virgin & Martyr

EXPOSITION

Sundays: 3.00 - 4.00pm

(Prayers for the Pope and the Catholic Church in Britain)

Wednesdays: after the 7.30am and 10.00am Masses and 5.25 - 6.25pm

Fridays: 5.25 - 6.25pm

On first Fridays of the month there is exposition from after the 6.30pm Mass to Midnight.

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays:

10.30 - 11.30am

3.00 - 4.00pm

6.00 - 6.20pm

Monday - Friday:

6.00 - 6.20pm

MUSIC AT THE 11.15am MASS

Missa brevis (K,S), G.P. Palestrina

Tu es Petrus, Maurice Duruflé

Agnus Dei II, Palestrina

PARISH SERVICES

Parish Office/Reception Hours: 9am - 5pm (Mon-Fri) 9.30am - 1pm (Sat) 9am - 1pm (Sun) [A range of religious and greeting cards are on sale at very competitive prices - please feel free to call to view.]

Executive Assistant & Hall bookings: Thelma D'Costa (Mon - Fri 9.30am - 5pm) Caretaker: George McLennan

Parish Pastoral Council: sacredheartwimbledonppc@gmail.com or contact Anne Waldron (Chair) at anne@annewaldron.com or 07886 034 323

Baptism, Marriage, First Sacraments, Funerals contact the parish 020 8946 0305

Bereavement Support: For more information please contact the co-ordinator by email bereavementsacredheart@gmail.com or call 020 8946 5198, Referral forms available in the Presbytery Reception

Admission to Hospital: RC hospital chaplains will only be aware of your admission if you specifically ask for the hospital chaplaincy team to be informed. Please tell a member of the ward staff, it is also helpful to let your parish priest know.