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#### **WEEKLY PARISH NEWSLETTER SUNDAY 30 JUNE 2024**

#### SACRAMENT OF THE EUCHARIST - MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

SUNDAY 30 JUNE - SAINTS PETER AND PAUL Parish Mass Book p172

8.00am Mass: Eamon and Ann McCluskev RIP

Confessions - 9.15 am to 9.45 am

10.00am Mass: John Kinahan RIP

6.00pm Mass: For the People of the Parish

#### Mon 1st July NO MASS TODAY

Tues 2nd **Feria** 11.30 am Rosarv

12.00 pm Mass: Alexander Ivo Fotabe RIP

Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> St Thomas, Apostle

9.00 am Rosary

Mass: Wellbeing of Martin Farrell 9.30 am

Thur 4th St Elizabeth of Portugal

9.00 am Rosary

Mass: Wellbeing of Lily Kirk 9.30 am

Friday 5th St Anthony Zaccaria

9.00 am Rosarv

9.30 am Mass: Mark Richardson RIP

Sat 6th St Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr 9.00am Mass: Rosanna and James Day RIP 9.30 am Rosary, Holy Hour, Confessions 9.45am

#### SUNDAY 7th JULY - FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN

#### ORDINARY TIME (B) Parish Mass Book p103

Mass: Justine and Petra Manche 8.00am Confessions – 9.15 am to 9.45 am

Mass: For the People of the Parish 10.00am Mass: Cynthia Rapazzini RIP 6.00pm

#### **SAFEGUARDING CONTACTS-Tammy Finan and Steve** Kearney E-mail: chessingtonsg2@safeguardrcaos.org.uk

Readers 30th June 8am: Valentino Ferdis Readers 7<sup>th</sup> July 8am: Mark Murphy

Counters 30<sup>th</sup> June Karen and Peter

#### Offertory 16th June

£850.88 (£205 Gift Aided envelopes, £175 Gift Aided standing orders, £60 Gift Aided Contactless, £60 Non Gift Aid Contactless and £350.88 cash)

#### Day for Life 23rd June

£201.50 (£15 Gift Aided envelopes, £5 Gift Aided Contactless, £30 Non Gift Aided Contactless and £151.50 cash)

#### Offertory 23rd June

£823.68 (£287.60 Gift Aided envelopes, £175 Gift Aided standing orders, £5 Gift Aided Contactless, £27 Non Gift Aid Contactless and £329.08 cash)

#### Plant Sale 23rd June

10am: Cristabela Pereira

10am: Charissa Lobo

Cleaners w/c 1st July

£866.30 (£746.30 cash, £75 Gift Aided Contactless, £45 Non Gift Aid Contactless)

Today on the Feast Day of Saints Peter and Paul there will be a retiring collection for PETER'S PENCE - see over.

Tea and coffee are served every Sunday in the hall after 10am Mass. All welcome.

#### TO RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNION WE MUST LIVE THE SACRAMENTAL LIFE - BE A PRACTISING CATHOLIC **CHERISH THE SEVEN SACRAMENTS**

Sacrament of Baptism – please speak to Fr Peter before fixing a baptismal date and reception venue.

Sacrament of the Eucharist – se e above, Mass times **Sacrament of Reconciliation and Penance** 

Confessions: Sundays 9.15am-9.45am, Saturdays 9.45 am -10.15 am during Holy Hour, Thursdays 10.15 am -10.45 am, and after weekday Mass or by appointment.

Sacrament of Confirmation – annual course for baptised young Catholics - please apply to Fr Peter

Sacrament of Marriage - please speak to Fr Peter at least six months before the proposed wedding date.

Sacrament of Healing - It is our duty to call a priest to anoint family members in failing health. Please try to give notice if at all possible and don't leave it to the last minute. It brings consolation to the dying as well as healing to the sick, including those suffering from mental illness and dementia. It can be administered at church, in hospital, care home, at home, indeed anywhere. Make sure you are anointed before an operation with general anaesthetic.

Sacrament of Ordination and consecration to the sacred Priesthood and Religious life - please speak to Fr Peter who will connect you with our vocations director.

The Parish Office is normally open on Mon, Tues, Thurs and Fri from 10am until 12noon. All Parish Hall bookings should be made during these times.

6pm: Paul Johnston

Jozwicki Group

6pm: Emilia de Rennes

Mass Intentions Complete a brown Mass Intention Envelope (please do write clearly). For Anniversary Masses, with a particular date, please give at least eight weeks' notice to avoid disappointment.

Kingston Hospital If you are admitted to hospital, it is your responsibility to inform the ward staff if you would like to see the Catholic Chaplain. If you are calling on behalf of a patient in the Hospital please call the Hospital Main Switchboard on 020 8546 7711 who will contact the Chaplain.

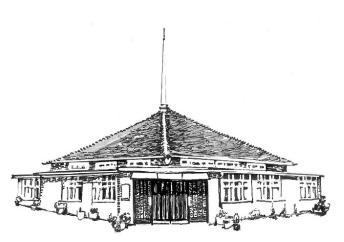
PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK especially Cindy Albright, Sally Baker, Patrick Beglane, Joyce Crooks, Tyler Curniffe, Louise Dovey, Delia Gallagher, Eileen Gathercole, Marie Gilbert & Family, Paul Jarvis, David Jordan, Solomon Justin, Georgia Kelly, Paul Kwan, Teresa McDonald, Sally McKenna, Jimmy Murphy, Pauline Murphy, Ryan O'Loughlin, Mark Peace, Jean Penycate, Kathy Richardson, Debbie Ruberg-Smith, Chloe Sheead, Mary Sheehan, Dharmaotee Soodin, Anne Srivastava, and residents of Amy Woodgate Home.

# THE FEAST OF THE APOSTLES SAINTS PETER AND PAUL "WHO DO YOU SAY I AM?" ASKS JESUS

These two greatest of men, two sinners, one denying Christ at his moment of need, the other persecuting the first followers of Christ, became the twin pillars of the Church on earth **by the grace of God**. Peter becomes the first Pope, and Paul the most influential writer, theologian, apostle and evangeliser of all time.

Dear brothers and sisters, today we hear in the Gospel of Matthew that Jesus asks the twelve Apostles (Paul was not yet one of the Apostles) the famous question: "Who do you say I am?" They shuffle their feet in embarrassment until Peter proclaims that he is the Christ the Son of the living God." No matter who we are, we cannot avoid this question. Our very lives depend upon our answer. How each one of us answers this question will determine our relationship with God for the rest of our lives and into death. If we conclude that Jesus is simply a good man, then we are denying the greatest gift in the universe: God's love, the love which led to God's selfsacrifice in Jesus. If he is simply a man, then is no need for Holy Mass: there is no need to sacrifice a human. because that will not lead to the forgiveness of our sins. There is no need for the priest to offer bread and wine in sacrifice and there is no point in your receiving the Eucharist. It would be nothing more than bread which can be thrown to the dogs. There is no need to pray, because there is no one to pray to. There is no Eucharistic food to nourish you; there is no hope for eternal life with Father, Son and the Holy Spirit, because human promises mean nothing. But if we conclude that Jesus is the Christ as God incarnate, the Son of the living God, fully God and fully human, then we will be given all the heavenly food we need here on earth to help us enter the Kingdom of God - a share in the divine relationship of pure love between the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. However, acknowledging the divinity and the humanity of Christ is not simply an intellectual exercise; it has to change our lives, as it changed the lives of Saints Peter and Paul, so that we lead our new lives in Christ.

WE TOO CAN SAY TODAY: "YOU ARE THE CHRIST, THE SON OF THE LIVING GOD!" BUT IT IS NOT ENOUGH TO SAY IT; WE MUST LIVE IT!



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Very many thanks to **Dr Ninela Ivanova** (Royal College of Art) who has designed our website and who continues to maintain it free of charge and who has sketched for us this lovely image of our church for use with our stationery and art work.

#### PARISH SOCIAL AND FUNDRAISING NEWS

Target: £10,000 for building works
BAKE A CAKE
TO EMBELLISH OUR CHURCH
REGULAR CAKE SALE!

#### Sunday 7th July After Mass at 8am 10am 6 pm And then every first Sunday of the month

Join us every first Sunday of the month for St Catherine's cakes and pastries sale to raise money for our parish window project. Our enthusiastic bakers will prepare tasty cakes and you can buy speciality freshly brewed coffees. So, get baking, or bring cakes, patries or similar bought from shops. Please bring your contribution before each Mass on the day, starting next Sunday 7th July.

## A BIG THANK YOU – A FLYING START PLANT SALE & RAFFLE

A huge thank you to all those who participated in the most successful St Catherine's plant sale and raffle. We made close to £900! What a contribution to the building project! Special thanks to Agnes and Renata who led the organisation, and of course thank you to all those who brought along some beautiful plants and lovely raffle prizes and to those of you who showed your generosity on the day. This was a flying start to our fundraising.

#### MORE DONATIONS CONTINUE TO COME IN

Thank you to Martin Farrell for his £200 donation.

## NEXT MEETING OF THE SOCIAL AND FUNDRAISING TEAM Sunday 14 July after the 10 am Mass in our Hall.

All are welcome to attend, even if you have not attended before, and bring new ideas and make offers of help.

## "PETER'S PENCE" CHARITY TODAY'S SECOND COLLECTION

This is our annual collection for the Holy Father in Rome to use at his discretion for works of mercy and charity on behalf of the Universal Church, especially for poor dioceses, religious institutes, the poor, children, the elderly, those marginalised, and the victims of war and natural disasters.

## DAY OUT: CELEBRATING THE GIFT OF PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

Sunday, 7 July 2024, 12 noon Aylesford Priory, The Friars, Aylesford, Kent (use ME20 7BY for SATNAV)

All-day event to be held at the Carmelite Aylesford Priory to value and celebrate creative people who experience disability. The day takes the theme Be a Prophet - Go tell everyone! Events will begin at 12 noon with a Welcome Service. All are invited to come and enjoy creative prayer in the chapels, a workshop, Books Beyond Words activities and to visit the Rosary Way. In the afternoon there will be time to take part in an Edith Stein retreat, explore Aylesford Priory, enjoy a picnic and participate in art activities. Bring a packed lunch or use the tea room to buy food. Individuals or parish pilgrimage groups are welcome. The day will end with Mass celebrated by our Bishop Paul Hendricks at 4 pm. Organiser: Cristina Gangemi, a highly experienced disability adviser who is Director of the Kairos Forum