



Parish of St Peter and St Paul

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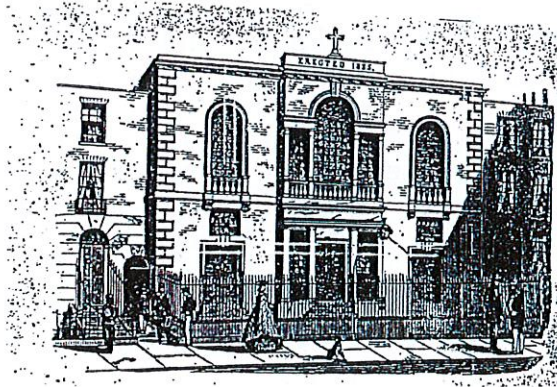
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SUNDAY MASS: Sunday 9:45am & 12noon

WEEKDAY MASS: Monday & Friday 12.30pm; Tuesday & Wednesday 8am

CONFESSIONS (*on request*)

The Feast of Ss Peter & Paul fell last Thursday 29th June.
In order to celebrate it as a community, we keep the Feast today, July 2nd.
As in past years, we will only celebrate one Mass, at 9:45am,
followed by a social gathering in the Parish Hall.
Come, it is *your* feast.



NOTE: No Mass on Friday 7th. No week-day Mass the week after (10th-14th July).
The Church will remain open, as usual, for prayer, the whole day.



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before & after



In the life of every Christian there is a 'before & after'.

But what stands in between, as changing point?

This week we have celebrated the Feast of **St Peter** and **St Paul**.

If we were to ask them about their 'before & after', what would they say?

At the beginning of his Letter to the Galatians, Paul describes himself as a practising Jew: how zealous, merciless and cold he was (how much collateral damage)... but God intervened and "revealed his Son *in me*". God changed this man from within, inside. How?

What is inside of me and you? Freedom and will.

Yes. God will change you (and me) only with our own free will.

Do you want God to intervene *in you* and 'change' you?

Be honest. Be really honest. Is your will open to the will of God?

Or deep down you are 'Ok' with your life as it is, happy to carry on even if you know that you are not happy.

Are you free? Free in front of yourself, your parents, your plans, ready to ask for help, healing, conversion so to be 'changed'?

What about **Peter**? How did Simon, son of John, 'changed' into St Peter?

Thanks to these three questions: "Do YOU love ME?"

Yes. Jesus 'changed' Simon Peter by loving him in his sins, loving him when he was unlovable, forgiving him, finding him when he was lost. By Inviting him to love him back, because love comes from being loved.

And you? Are you ready to be loved as you are? To have in front of you someone who knows all about you and loves the whole of you?

Be honest, really honest.

Are you ready to be known and loved as you are?

Can you see in your own life the changing-point between 'before & after'?

If you do, very good. Go there, inside of you, enter the inner space where your freedom and will are, visit your wounds, your history, your sins, and let God 'change' you, making you into a Christian!

Let me know... how it goes!

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