



# Parish of St Peter and St Paul

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## 29<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY in Ordinary Time 20<sup>th</sup> October 2024

**SUNDAY MASS: 9:45am & 12noon**

**WEEKDAY MASS: Monday & Friday 12:30pm; Tuesday & Wednesday 8am**

**CONFESSIONS: Mondays 12 - 12:30pm (and on request)**

**HOLY HOUR** animated by HAKUNA: Thursdays 7-8pm

### SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

#### First Holy Communion:

Parents & children are expected to come to Sunday Mass at 9:45am.

#### Marriage Course:

5 consecutive Fridays (8:15-9:15pm): February 28th, March 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th and Saturday 29th March afternoon (2-7pm)

#### Baptism Course on Saturday 30th November in the Church at 12noon.

#### Confirmation:

If an adult or a university student, you will have to follow the RCIA programme.  
If a young person, we have a two-year programme.

*Approach Fr. Ivano for any query about the programmes*

### *Queen of Peace, Pray for us*

October is the month traditionally dedicated to the prayer of the Rosary. On your own on the way to work, in the chapel of your residence, with your family after dinner, in the company of your friends... pray the Rosary.

Let us begin by forgiving, forgiving others, forgiving ourselves. **Forgiveness bring Peace.**



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Thank you.

### Tea & Coffee

Today, after 12noon Mass in the Parish Hall

#### **All Saints (day of obligation)**

- \* Thursday 31st October 7pm followed by Adoration until 10pm with the youth of HAKUNA
- \* Friday 1st November 12:30pm

#### **All Soul's Day**

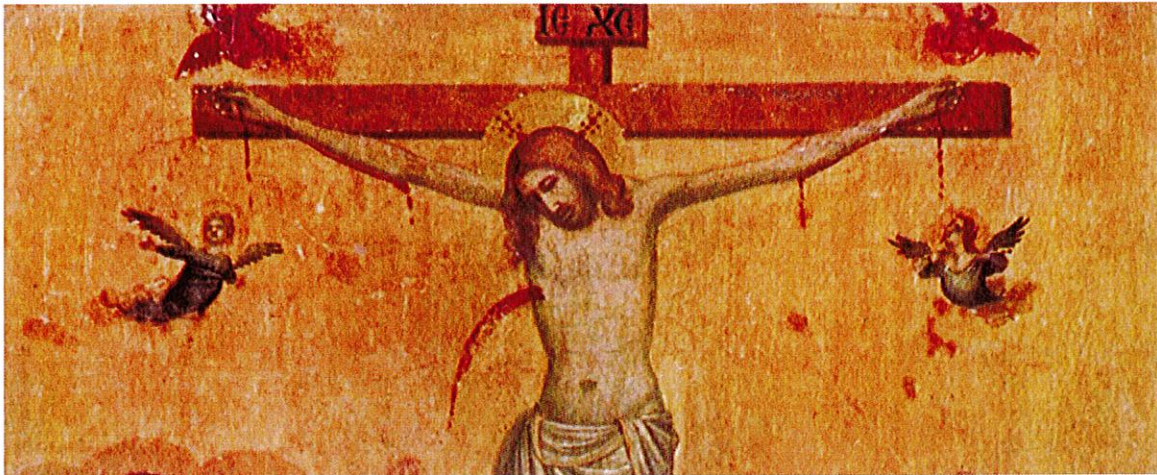
Saturday 2nd November 12:30pm

#### **Sunday 24th November**

*XXXIX World Youth Day*  
6pm Young Adults Mass followed by social time in the Parish Hall

**SUNDAY OUTREACH:** we want to start a mission to reach out those in need in and around our Parish. If you want to join, speak with Fr. Ivano

# Right-wing or Left-wing?



In today's Gospel we hear of the request made by the sons of Zebedee, James and John, to be at the right hand and left hand of Jesus in his glory.

In the Gospel of Mark, the expression "right-hand and left-hand" only appears twice. In today's Gospel, on the journey to Jerusalem (Mk 10,37) and on Golgotha (Mk 15,27) when next to Jesus are crucified two sinners, two criminals.

'Right and left' are key concepts not simply in terms of space dimensions and organisation but in an anthropical sense, in the Bible and within every human culture. They are places of honour speaking of a proximity which is not merely physical but theological. Two sinners hold these places. While James and John want to seat near Jesus, Jesus 'seats' on his Cross near sinners.

But there is more. In Christian iconography, apart from the two criminals, at the right hand and left hand of the crucified Jesus we often see Angels holding chalices collecting his precious blood. Who are they? What will they do with His blood?

These Angels are the Church evangelising. They go everywhere, to announce that "the ransom for many (all)" has been paid. The term 'ransom' (also in today's Gospel) has a very specific meaning. It is the price to be paid in order to set free prisoners of war or insolvent slaves, otherwise destined to be sold or to remain in prison.

In two months, Pope Francis will open the Holy Door of Saint Peter's and of the other three Papal Basilicas making the beginning of the Jubilee Year of Hope. With one sole exception, a Holy Door will be opened in a prison to "offer prisoners a concrete sign of closeness".

Whether on the right-side or left-side, we are all called to see ourselves as sinners who have been loved, slaves who have been set free, prisoners whose future is different from their past.

*In manus.*

Father Ivano