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Mass Times this week

Monday:.....10:00 am (Harrow Road)
Tuesday: .....10:00 am (Paddington)
Wednesday: No Mass
Thursday: .....10:00 am (Paddington)
Friday: .....10:00 am (Harrow Road)
Saturday:.....10:00 am (Paddington)
..... 6:00 pm (Harrow Rd)
Sunday: ..... 9:30 am (Paddington)
.....11:30 am (Harrow Rd)

Eucharistic Adoration

One hour before weekday and Saturday Masses.

Confessions

During periods of exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, and on request.

Mass Readings

Saturday Evening Mass— Page 167.
Acts 3:1-10; Gal 1:11-20; Jn 21:15-19.
Sunday Morning Mass—Page 170.
Acts 12:1-11; 2 Tim 4:6-8,17-18; Matt 16:13-19

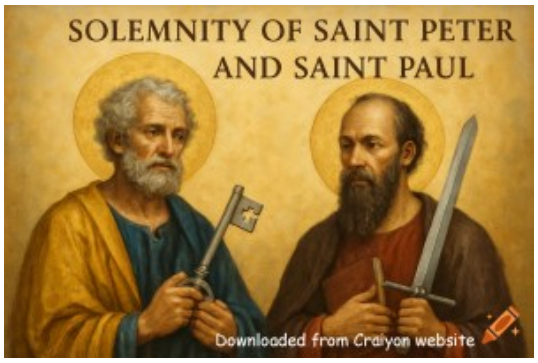
Parish of PADDINGTON NORTH

with the churches of
OUR LADY OF LOURDES & ST VINCENT DE PAUL (337 HARROW RD)
and
OUR LADY OF SORROWS, (17 CIRENCESTER ST, PADDINGTON)

JUNE - MONTH OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

28TH JUNE 2026

SOLEMNITY OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL



There are many paintings of Saints Peter and Paul and, nearly always, they show St Peter holding keys and St Paul holding a sword. Why? Well in today's gospel (Matt 16:13 -19) we hear Jesus giving Peter "the keys of the kingdom of heaven." This harks back to Isaiah (Is 22:15-25) when Shebna is given authority to govern in the absence of the king (symbolised by holding the keys of the palace). And in Ephesians (Eph 6:10-17), we hear Paul encouraging his readers to take up "the whole armour of God ….." which includes "…. the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God". So the keys and sword are symbolic of something and remind us of their unique roles.

The keys represent Peter's authority to govern the Church with Jesus' authority. The sword represents Paul's mission to bring the Gospel to the world. Together, they show us that God calls all kinds of people to serve Him.

You don't have to be perfect, smart, or fearless to follow God. Like Peter, you might make mistakes, but you can always turn back to Him. Like Paul, you might need a big change in your life, but God is always ready to help you start fresh.

So here is the challenge: how can we be more like St. Peter and St. Paul in our own lives. They were bold, courageous, and willing to share their faith, even when it was difficult. We don't have to do something big or dramatic—God works through small steps, too. The important thing is to trust Him and take action.

First, if there's something you've been struggling with—maybe a

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Mass Intentions for week beginning Saturday 27th June 2026

Saturday	6:00 pm	People of the Parish
Sunday	11:30 am	Anthony James (Anniv)
Tuesday	10:00 am	-
Thursday	10:00 am	-
Sat (4 July)	10:00 am	-
Sun (5 July)	9:30 am	Ailyn Mago
Sunday	9:30 am	Fe Laranjo (RIP)
Monday	10:00 am	-
Wednesday	No Mass	
Friday	10:00 am	-
Saturday	6:00 pm	-
Sunday	11:30 am	People of the Parish

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mistake you've made or a way you've fallen short—ask God for forgiveness, like Peter did, and take one step to grow closer to Him.

Second, look for a way to share your faith with someone. It could be as simple as inviting a friend to church or sharing something meaningful you learned.

And finally, spend time praying for courage and asking God to show you how He wants to use your gifts. Remember, the keys and sword remind us that we are part of God's plan, just like Peter and Paul!

Diocesan News

Volunteer Fair. Join Caritas Westminster for our annual Fair, bringing together charities and community organisations from across London & Herts. **Saturday 4 July 2026 3-5pm, Westminster Cathedral Hall**, Ambrosden Ave, SW1P 1QW. Discover volunteering opportunities, and find out how you can put your time and talents into action to support others! See Poster at the back of the Church.

Parish News

Papal Encyclical. Fr Keith Barltrop, Parish Priest at our neighbouring parish of St Mary of the Angels, will be giving a series of three talks on Pope Leo's recent encyclical on 'Artificial Intelligence; Threat or Opportunity?' on **Tuesdays**. The first is this Tuesday (**June 30)**, and then **July 7 and 14,** in the Newman Room at St. Mary of the Angels, W2 5DJ, 6.30pm, with Cheese and Wine.

The Parish needs more Catechists. Would you like to help teach others the faith? The diocese is holding a **Three-day Catechists' Course**, in Autumn 2026. In September and October the Catechesis Support team will be running a three-day course for catechists in Vaughan House, Westminster. This course will take place over three Saturdays (**12 and 26 September & 17 October**), from **10am-4pm** (4.30pm on the 17th October), and catechists do need to come to all three days as we shall be covering different material each day.
The course is free and open to all current and prospective catechists in the diocese, however new or experienced they might be. Please bring a packed lunch.
We ask that all attendees book in advance to say that they will attend all three days. More information and the booking form can be found by visiting *https://rcdow.org.uk/catechists-course/* or contact the Agency for Evangelisation by email at *catadmin@rcdow.org.uk* or by telephone: 020 7798 9152.

Caritas Parish Representative. Caritas Westminster are seeking someone to act as a point of contact between Caritas and the parish. Parish Reps can also support new and existing initiatives in their parish, and are invited to various gatherings and webinars with Caritas and other Reps, and can network with each other. The role isn't time consuming (maybe only ~4 hours per month), and is flexible. If you're interested or would like to know more, please contact our Caritas liaison Sr Silvana - *silvanadallanegra@rcdow.org.uk* Tel: 07921 471506 and also let Fr Michael know.

Lourdes Pilgrimage. I understand that the diocesan pilgrimage office has given all our flight details, and I believe that all from our parish should have been booked on the first flight (12:00) with me. Please confirm / let me (Fr Michael) know which flight you are on and hopefully we can arrange common transport to Stansted airport.

Pope Leo's Teaching. In my Sunday homily I suggest that people may want to occasionally stay in tune with what Christ is saying through his Vicar on earth, Pope Leo! He gives a Sunday Angelus reflection and a Wednesday Audience catechesis. These can be easily found on the internet: *www.zenit.org*. (Click on Pope Leo, then click on yellow boxes for 'General Audience', or 'Angelus'.

Marriage Matters

(www.marriagecare.org.uk)

Saints Peter and Paul

(Acts 12:1-11 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18 Matthew 16:13-19)

The power of love

Peter, the denier, and Paul, the persecutor, both familiar with failure, were overwhelmed by the power of love and gave up their own lives. Let us rejoice in our calling to love as Jesus did, to lay down our lives for each other, willingly and gladly. Our lives might be the only Bible that some people will ever read.

Funeral Notices

First Anniversary Memorial Mass for **Tony James** will take place on **Tuesday 30th June at 6pm** at **Our Lady of Lourdes Church.**

The Reception and Requiem Mass of the late **Jane Edmund** will take place on **Friday 10th July at 11:30 am** at **Our Lady of Lourdes Church,** followed by committal at West London Crematorium.