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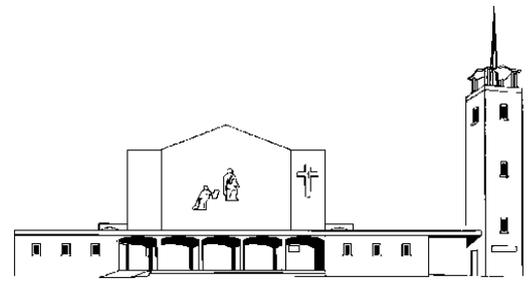
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Year B

SAINTS PETER & PAUL

28TH JUNE 2015

GOSPEL: Matthew 16: 13–19

You are Peter, and I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven.

My Dear Parishioners of St Augustine's,

TODAY'S SOLEMN FEAST OF SAINTS PETER & PAUL is a beautiful feast on which to recall these greatest of Apostles, and also to pray for the ministry of our Holy Father, Pope Francis. It is because of the martyrdoms in Rome of St Peter (c. 64AD) and St Paul (c. 67AD) that the Church has as its primatial see the church of Rome. Even St Ignatius, writing shortly after the year 100AD, referred to Rome as having primacy in the Church — its Bishop thereby having the role as successor of St Peter, Prince of the Apostles.

WE CONGRATULATE THOSE CHILDREN WHO ARE RECEIVING OUR LORD for the first time in Holy Communion today. Last week, 24 children received their First Holy Communion, and a further 21 today. We look forward to celebrating with them all again next weekend at the 11.15am Mass, and this will be followed by the Eucharistic Procession to the garden Grotto for Benediction. Let us all be reminded of our own First-Holy-Communion day, and be encouraged to receive Jesus worthily and reverently each and every time we go to Holy Communion ourselves.

PLEASE VISIT THE BLUE BOARDS IN THE CHURCH PORCH for two important sets of sign-up sheets. These are wonderful occasions in our year, and both need strong support from our parishioners:

(i) For the **Forty Hours of Adoration** next weekend. Please, everyone should think about coming to give at least a half-hour time of prayer at some point in the daytime hours of Friday–Sunday. This is a blessed occasion in the parish calendar, to adore Our Lord Jesus in the Eucharist.

(ii) For the **Parish Barbecue**, to assist before/at/after our big social occasion on Sunday 12th July. The event cannot be arranged by just a few, so please add your name to the sheets so that the duties can be shared around and the occasion made a happy one and a success.

May Saints Peter & Paul pray for us and strengthen us in our Christian witness!

Fr Philip



From Gaudium et Spes, Vatican II on 'The Church in the Modern World,' n. 52:

VATICAN II,
50 YEARS ON:
THE NEW
EVANGELIZATION

The family, in which the various generations come together and help one another grow wiser and harmonize personal rights with the other requirements of social life, is the foundation of society. All those, therefore, who exercise influence over communities and social groups should work efficiently for the welfare of marriage and the family.

Public authority should regard it as a sacred duty to recognize, protect and promote their authentic nature, to shield public morality and to favor the prosperity of home life. The right of parents to beget and educate their children in the bosom of the family must be safeguarded. Children too who unhappily lack the blessing of a family should be protected by prudent legislation and various undertakings and assisted by the help they need.

PRAYER & LITURGY

THIS WEEKEND'S FIRST COMMUNICANTS:

Cristiano Barone, Vienna-Jade Cadman, Matthew Clark, Luca Drago, Giorgia DiMaria, Isabel Ford, Daniel Gaiteri, Thomas Genovese, Daisy Higgins, Chiara Leto, Michael Manzo, Sophia Manzo, Ruthann Ochoa, Moyosoreoluwa Orekoya, Giuseppe Padalino, Luca Padalino, Ruby Phelan, Luca Salvo, Giorgia Salvo, Grace Wheatcroft and Kiara Whyman

MONDAY: no Adoration or Morning Prayer this Monday, only Mass at 9.15am.

FIRST FRIDAY: The first Friday Mass will be at **7.30pm on Friday 3rd July**. This will be followed by the Holy Hour at 8pm, which is always prayed for the pro-life cause.

LATIN MASS: The monthly Latin Mass, with sung chants, will be at 5.00pm next **Sunday 5th July**.

THE 'FORTY HOURS' DEVOTION will be held in the church **Fri 3rd July to Sun 5th July, 7/8am–9pm**. PLEASE, WE NEED MANY PARISHIONERS to sign up to come and pray for the 40 hours of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: sign your name on lists on the blue board in the porch (half-hr slots).

FRIDAY: 7am Adoration begins
12 noon Mass
12.30pm Adoration resumes
7.30pm Mass 8.45pm Benediction

SATURDAY: 8am Adoration begins
10am Mass; Adoration resumes
4.00pm Italian Mass
6.30pm Mass; Adoration resumes
8.45pm Benediction

SUNDAY: 8am Adoration begins
9.15am & 11.15am Masses
12.30pm Corpus Christi Procession
1.30pm Adoration resumes
5.00pm Latin Mass
8.45pm Closing Benediction

FRIDAY PRAYER GROUP: 3rd Friday of each month, 7.30–8.30pm: **next meeting July 17th**. A semi-formal hour in the Lady Chapel to reflect together on Sunday Scriptures and bring our needs and prayers to the Lord. All welcome!

SUNDAY HOLY HOUR (3rd Sunday of each month) takes place at 5pm **Sunday 19th July** with Adoration, Evening Prayer and Benediction, and a Scriptural reflection.

FUNERALS: Fr Philip will now be adopting a new routine at funerals. Any family tributes etc.

will now take place *before* the beginning of the funeral Mass, immediately after the deceased's body has been brought in to church. This will help the Mass and funeral ceremonies flow better as liturgy, and also take away the drawn-out anxiety of those intending to speak.

HOUSEBOUND & SICK PARISHIONERS

We pray for our sick parishioners and friends: Sue Porto, Christopher Browne, John Askew, Alan Dolan, Rosa Augello, Roberto Piacentini, Mark Reason, Hilda Andrews, Joanne Sheridan, Helen Sherman, Annette Pinto, Bohita Fanor, Jenny Miller, Peter Tanner, Anne Smith, Maureen Fallon and Kitty O'Rourke.

PLEASE TELL US IF ANYONE IS HOUSEBOUND, EVEN TEMPORARILY, SO THEY CAN BE VISITED & HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNION.

IF YOU GO IN TO HOSPITAL: Catholics in hospital are unlikely to receive an *automatic* visit from the Catholic Chaplain. If someone is sick in hospital, **please let us know here at the Presbytery, and/or ask the staff on the ward**, so that your loved one can be visited whilst in hospital, and receive Holy Communion and any other Sacraments from the Chaplain.

Chaplains are: Lister, Jacqueline Humphreys 01438-285518 or 07884-187463; Princess Alexandra, Fr Leszek Gamracy 01279-426017



Fr Philip thanks those who have donated to our 'Growing in Faith' initiative, to benefit both the diocese, and our own parish's project of employing a part-time catechetical co-ordinator. **We have raised pledges of c. £190k, to give our parish project, ultimately, a slice of c. £55k.** An update on 'Growing in Faith' is included in this week's Newsletter.

Fr Philip is in discussion with another priest of the Diocese who already has plans for a part-time post and we look to share together a person to fill his post and our post for catechetical co-ordinator.

www.rcdow.org.uk/growing-in-faith

CATECHETICS

FIRST-HOLY-COMMUNION PROGRAMME: The **Thanksgiving Mass** will be held on **Sunday 5th July** at 11.15am Mass when all First Communicants from both weeks return in their First-Communion outfits for the Mass.

BAPTISM COURSE will next be held on **Tues 30th June and Fri 10th July** from **7.30pm-9pm** in the presbytery. The course must be completed before a Baptism can be arranged. To enrol on the course, please contact the presbytery.

CONFIRMATION 2016: Fr Philip wishes to see each candidate (in *next year's* year 9 or above) and a parent for a short chat (20–30 minutes) before the summer. **Applications will close for this programme on 13th July.** Please contact the presbytery for an appointment. In general, these will be between 3.30-6pm on the following days: 6th July and 13th July.

"RCIA" – 'Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults' is the programme for preparation for adults wishing to become Catholics, or be prepared for the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Communion). **The course will begin 8th September at 7pm** but if anyone is considering becoming a Catholic (or is an adult Catholic who wishes to be confirmed), please contact Fr Philip soon. There are green leaflets outlining RCIA by the newsletters.

SCHOOLS

SCHOOL ADMISSIONS to our Catholic Primary & Secondary schools requires the Parish Priest to provide a priest's reference as testimony of **Catholic practice, i.e attendance, every week, at Sunday (or Saturday evening) Mass.** This accords with the diocesan guidance for priests, http://www.rcdow.org.uk/fileupload/upload/prf_4117200691341.pdf. In order to help him be just and fair to the practising Catholics of our parish, Fr Philip will continue to adopt the pattern of occasionally in the next few months asking those who will require a priest's form to be signed to come and see him briefly (each and every time he asks) after Sunday Mass. **This concerns those whose children will be in nursery-year and year 6 in 2015/16.**

MISCELLANEOUS

HOUSE VISITS: Fr Philip hopes to make visits to parish homes on Wednesday afternoon in these areas: Station Road, Old Nazeing Road????

VOLUNTEERS 'DBS' CHECKS: All church volunteers working with children, young people and adults at risk are obliged to undergo a Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check. This is in line with Church Policy and Guidance. Claire Hay, our parish safeguarding officer will be available after all Masses on **this weekend and 4th/5th July** in the presbytery to assist anyone who needs help in completion of it. If you feel you need a form and have not yet received one

please contact her on 07971-063520. Please note that "DBS" is the new term for "CRB checks."

NURSES are required for the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes from 26th July–1st August. We are urgently in need of more qualified nurses to ensure we can provide the care necessary for the sick to travel. If you are interested in joining our nursing team please call Gerald Daly today on 020-7798-9173.

PARISH BBQ: Sunday 12th July 2pm: The Parish BBQ is now only 2 weeks away and at the moment only 11 adults and 2 children are coming. **We do need final numbers by Monday 6th July 12 noon so that we can order the food.** Application forms are now available from the back of the church and by the BBQ board. The forms must be returned to the presbytery with your money. Adults are £5, children £1 and under 5's free. The lists for volunteers are now available at the back of church. **PLEASE volunteer to assist with the many jobs — setting out chairs/tables before, putting up gazebos, making salads, coleslaw and lots more! Without help, we cannot make this event happen. Raffle prizes and bottles for the drinks raffle are also needed, so if you can donate something, please do hand it in at the presbytery.** Thank you for your support.

APF 'RED BOX' MEMBERS: If your Red Box hasn't been emptied for a while, over the next 3 weeks, I will be at every Mass with replacements. My sincere thanks to those who have used the "brown" envelopes which has been a great help. The total to date is £557.12. Ellen Bartlett 464677.

PARISH MAGAZINE: We hope to publish our annual magazine at the beginning of Sept. If you have an article, please either e-mail it or hand it into the presbytery by **20th July.**

KYIV CLASSIC ACCORDION are giving a Concert of Classical and Ukrainian Music in St Pauls and St Catherine's Church on **Thursday 30th July 7-30pm.** This is a free concert but there will be a box for donations.! This is in aid of UK-AID, Felsted Aid for Deprived Children in Ukraine affected by the Chernobyl disaster. Ring Margaret Byrne, 443351. for more info.

SUNDAY LUNCH: Fr Philip would like to meet parishioners/families in their homes, as much as possible. Sunday lunch 1.30pm is a good (but by no means only) time. Free dates: 19th July.

CHURCH CLEANING: Judy Livingstone, Cheryl Holbourn, Mima Salvo and Mirella DiChiara. Thank you!

Masses this week	Today's Liturgy
Sat 27th June ST JOHN SOUTHWORTH, Priest 10am Mass <i>Agnes Ruby RIP</i>	PAGE 172 in the Mass books 1st Reading: Acts 12: 1–11 <i>Now I know the Lord really did save me from Herod.</i> Psalm 33 — From all my terrors the Lord set me free. 2nd Reading: 2 Timothy 4: 6–8, 17–18 <i>All there is to come now is the crown of righteousness reserved for me.</i> Gospel Accl: <i>Alleluia, alleluia! You are Peter and on tis rock I will build my Church. And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it. Alleluia!</i>
4.00pm* Italian Mass 6.30pm* <i>Francesco Cannatella</i> Sun 28th June SAINTS PETER & PAUL 9.15am <i>Salvatore & Maria Insalaco RIP</i> 11.15am <i>For the Parish</i> 1.30pm First Holy Communion Mass ‡	Gospel: Matthew 16: 13–19 <i>You are Peter, and I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven.</i> PREFACE TODAY: SS Peter & Paul (p. 57) EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER: no. 1 (p. 18) NEXT WEEK'S READINGS 14 TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR 1st Reading: Ezekiel 2: 2–5 2nd Reading: 2 Corinthians 12: 7–10 Gospel: Mark 6: 1–6
Mon 29th June 9.15am Mass <i>Thanksgiving from the David Family</i> Tues 30th June 8.15am Adoration 9am Morning Prayer 9.15am Mass <i>Michael & William Doyle RIP Anniv</i> Wed 1st July DEDICATION OF THE CATHEDRAL 8.15am Adoration 9am Morning Prayer 9.15am Mass <i>Francesco Cannatella</i> — followed by coffee in the crypt Thurs 2nd July 9.15am NO Mass Fri 3rd July ST THOMAS, Apostle <i>(Abstinence from meat for those aged 14+)</i> 11am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament/11.35 Benediction 12 noon Mass <i>Billy Nolan RIP</i> 7.30pm Mass <i>Anne Smith's intentions</i> 8.00pm Holy Hour FORTY HOURS CONTINUES TILL 9PM Sat 4th July 10am Mass <i>Pasquale Re RIP</i>	SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION) Saturday 10.30 – 11am & 5.30 – 6.15pm Sunday 8.30 – 9am & 10.40 – 11am or ask Fr Philip at any other time. ROSARY Rosary is said in the Walsingham Chapel after each weekday Mass and after Saturday 10am Mass. SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK Any parishioner frail through illness or old age, or going into hospital for major surgery, can ask Fr Philip for the Sacrament of Anointing at any time. SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE Catholics must approach their parish priest at least 6 months prior to their intended wedding, and before setting a wedding date. Westminster Roman Catholic Diocesan Trust Registered Charity No. 233699
4.00pm* Italian Mass 6.30pm* <i>Gaetana Lomanto RIP & Nadia Miragliotta RIP Anniv</i> + FORTY HOURS CONTINUES TILL 9PM Sun 5th July 14TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR 9.15am** <i>Girolamo Ferraro RIP</i> 11.15am <i>Deceased Grandparents of Dale and Cooper Families.</i> 5.00pm Latin Mass <i>For the Parish</i> ‡ + FORTY HOURS CONTINUES TILL 9PM	
<p style="text-align: center;">* Vigil Mass of Sunday ** With Children's Liturgy (nursery-age to year 2 only) ‡ There are also Sunday evening Masses in English in Hertford (6pm) and Waltham Cross (6.30pm)</p>	
REGULAR EVENTS	
Tues 30th Guild tea and chat, crypt	Wed 1st 6pm Brownies, crypt

NEWSLETTER ITEMS TO PRESBYTERY IN WRITING, BY FAX, OR E-MAIL BY 9AM THURS WITH YOUR NAME & PHONE NO. —NEW PARISHIONERS Please take a parish membership form & information leaflet from the box attached to the notice board. The completed forms should be posted through the presbytery letterbox. **MOVING HOME?** Please post your new details through the presbytery letterbox. **PARROCCHIANI:** *Si pregano tutti i parrocchiani di prendere i questionari (uno per ciascun famiglia) che si trovano vicino al tabellone degli avvisi. Una volta compilati, i questionari devono essere riconsegnati depositandoli nella cassetta della posta vicina alla statua di Sant'Antonio.*