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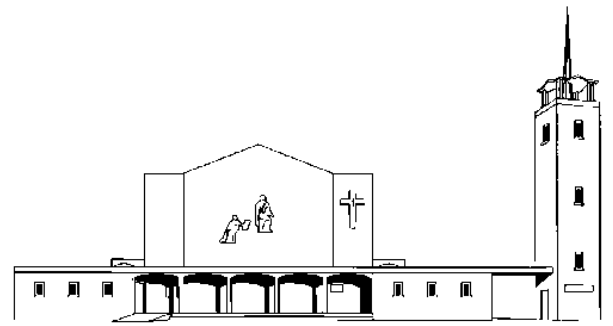
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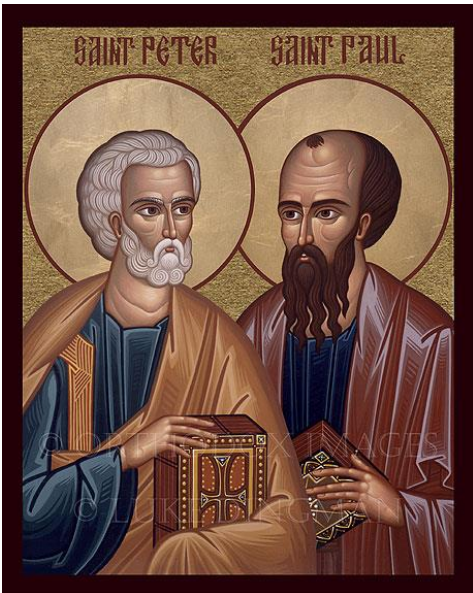
Year C THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 26TH JUNE 2016

GOSPEL: Luke 9: 51–62

Jesus resolutely took the road for Jerusalem. I will follow you wherever you go.

My Dear Parishioners of St Augustine's,

AFTER THE DUST SETTLES ON THE EU REFERENDUM RESULT, let us pray that the country can reunite peacefully and without recrimination. It has been a difficult and divisive time for Britain during this campaign, so let's pray that all those who live and work here in the UK, and who live and worship in our Catholic parishes — from wherever they originally come — can strive extra hard to overcome those divisions. *Lord God bless us and help us!*



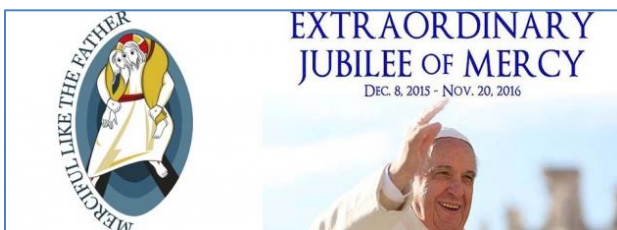
THIS WEDNESDAY (29TH) WE KEEP THE GREAT FEAST OF SS PETER & PAUL and this is a Holyday of Obligation, when all Catholics are expected to get to Mass. It's a most special and beautiful feast, reminding us not only of the heroic martyrdoms of both of these great Apostles in Rome, but also of our binding unity with the Pope as the Bishop of Rome, the see of St Peter. Mass will be celebrated at the usual three times for Holy Days, so please be at Mass for this great feastday.

***** ** SS PETER & PAUL MASSES: 9.30am (with Primary Schools), 12 noon, 8pm *** ****

MY CYCLE OF HOMILIES ON AMORIS LAETITIA, THE POPE'S APOSTOLIC EXHORTATION on Marriage and Family Life, continues this weekend with comments drawn from his 7th chapter, "Towards a Better Education of Children." One of our greatest duties, as parents and as a parish, is to pass on the faith soundly and safely to the next generation of the Church. Let us seek the Lord's Spirit and the Pope's wisdom as we try to do this faithfully for our young people.

May our love for Jesus, inspired by SS Peter & Paul, overcome all prejudice and sin! Fr Philip

From *Misericordiae Vultus*, Pope Francis on the 'Holy Year of Mercy,' n. 17:



I will never tire of insisting that confessors be authentic signs of the Father's mercy. We priests have received the gift of the Holy Spirit for the forgiveness of sins, and we are responsible for this. None of us wields power over this Sacrament; rather, we are faithful servants of God's mercy through it. Every confessor must accept the faithful as the father in the parable of the prodigal son: a father who runs out to meet his son despite the fact that he has squandered away his inheritance. Confessors are called to embrace the repentant son who

comes back home and to express the joy of having him back again. Let us never tire of also going out to the other son who stands outside, incapable of rejoicing, in order to explain to him that his judgement is severe and unjust and meaningless in light of the father's boundless mercy. May confessors not ask useless questions, but like the father in the parable, interrupt the speech prepared ahead of time by the prodigal son, so that confessors will learn to accept the plea for help and mercy pouring from the heart of every penitent. In short, confessors are called to be a sign of the primacy of mercy always, everywhere, and in every situation, no matter what.

PRAYER & LITURGY

CONGRATULATIONS TO THIS WEEKEND'S

FIRST COMMUNICANTS: Taye Cadman, Adriana Cassera, Ruby Clark, Pollyanna Downes, Michele Giarratano, Carla Ginolfi, Gianluca Grana, Eden-Rose Heekin-Lucas, Jacob Hinton, Sofia Johnson, Kacper Kos, Robert Lamprell, Harrison McCarthy, Mason McGrath, Joshua Moran, Jahyvell Palizzoto, Tomasz Payne, Jenson Preston, Alessandro & Daniele Principato, Elisa Ramelle-Rigollet, Rianna Randazzo, Joseph Salvo, Henry Smith, Robert Smith, Massimiliano Solazzo, Marco Tagliavolante, Ivana Tambuzzo, Enya Warren, Oskar Wierzchowicz and Bartosz Zarazinski.

SALVATORE SANTANIELLO RIP of Middlefield Road, Hoddesdon died recently. Our sympathies go out to his family. **The funeral will be on Friday 1st July at 1.30pm with Don Antonio.**

May he rest in peace.

SS PETER & PAUL is on **Wednesday 29th June** and is a **Holy Day of Obligation**. There will be Mass at 9.30am with both schools, 12 noon and 8pm. Ministers of Holy Communion, readers and altar servers are needed. If you can assist, please sign your name on the lists at the back of the church.

LATIN MASS: The monthly Latin Mass, with sung chants, will be at 5.00pm **next Sunday 3rd July**.

THE 'FORTY HOURS' DEVOTION will be held in the church **Fri 1st July to Sun 3rd July, 7/8am–9pm**. PLEASE, WE NEED MANY PARISHIONERS to sign up to come and pray for some of 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
1.30pm Funeral
2.30pm 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

FIRST FRIDAY: The first Friday Mass will be at 7.30pm on **Friday 1st July**.

FRIDAY PRAYER GROUP: 3rd Friday of each month, 7.30–8.30pm: **next meeting July 15th**. 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 17th July** with a Scriptural reflection, Adoration, Evening Prayer and Benediction.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM (England's major shrine to Our Lady) will be on **Sat 9th July** with Cardinal Vincent Nichols. A 57-seater coach leaves the church at 8am and will depart from Walsingham at 4.30pm. The day includes Mass, Procession with the statue of Our Lady of Walsingham and Benediction. The cost of the coach will be £14 and you will need to bring a packed lunch. To attend, please sign your name on the sheet at the back of the church. **ONLY 10 PLACES LEFT! If you haven't already paid your coach fee of £14, could you please hand it in at the presbytery soon.**

DEANERY PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA (22nd to 26th May 2017): a 4-night pilgrimage to the shrine of Our Lady in Portugal, 100yrs on from the apparitions. Flyers now available in porch! Price expected to be £575. Please phone up the Presbytery soon to register your interest.

HOUSEBOUND & SICK PARISHIONERS

Pray for sick parishioners & friends: John Askew, Rosa Augello, Roberto Piacentini, Helen & Michael Sherman, Annette Pinto, Anne Smith, Siobhan Fiorentini, Marina Morris & Michael Foley.

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

Housebound parishioners may also like to know that Mass is regularly broadcast on the internet from the Catholic Church in Bishops Stortford: <http://www.churchservices.tv/bishopsstortford>

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

CATECHETICS

FIRST-HOLY-COMMUNION PROGRAMME: The **Thanksgiving Mass** will be held on **Sunday 3rd July** at 11.15am Mass when all First Communicants from both weeks return in their First Communion outfits for Mass.

BAPTISM COURSE: The second part of the course will be held on **Mon 4th July 7.30–9.00pm** in the church.

CONFIRMATION 2017: 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 8th July.** Please contact the presbytery for an appointment.



On the noticeboard is now posted the most recent summary of our parish's 'Growing in Faith' donations, which 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.**

As yet we have not sourced anyone to take up the post of a parish catechist, but Fr Philip is in discussion with friends in the diocese who have experience in this area, to try and find a recommended and suitably qualified person for the post. Do pray that this can come about soon.

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

SCHOOLS/UNDER-5s

CERTIFICATE OF CATHOLIC PRACTICE: If your child is presently in year 5 and would wish to go to St Mary's or another Catholic secondary school in 2017, or if your child is looking to go into Reception year in a Catholic Primary school in autumn 2017, then you will need to apply immediately to go on the list for requesting a 'Certificate of Catholic Practice' towards the end of 2016. An information pack is available now from the presbytery. Once you have completed the form and returned it to the presbytery, your name will be added to the weekly sign-in-sheet which will be available in the church porch on the noticeboard (by the fire-exit door) for signing after the Saturday evening vigil Mass and the Masses of Sunday. On this basis Fr Philip will be in a better position to judge whether he can issue the Certificate you ask for.

ST AUGUSTINE'S NURSERY still have places available for 2016/17 for afternoons only (12.20–3.20pm). Contact the school on 463549.

YOUNG PEOPLE

BROWNIES will be serving afternoon tea in the presbytery garden on **Wednesday 29th June** from 1–4pm. Tickets are £5 and a selection of teas and freshly baked cakes and scones will be served. To purchase tickets, please contact Maria on 449209.

ST AUGUSTINE'S UNDER 5's would like to thank everyone who attended the fete — £1,359 was raised!

WORLD YOUTH DAY: three of our young adults are going on pilgrimage with Fr Philip to Łódź and Krakow to be with Pope Francis for 'World Youth Day' next month! We'll keep you posted on their experiences!

MISCELLANEOUS

HOUSE VISITS: Fr Philip will continue his house visits on Wednesday afternoon to see parishioners in homes in: Hawthorn Rd, Castle Rd, Old Highway.

JUSTICE & PEACE meeting will be held on **Friday 8th July** from 7.30pm in the crypt. Refreshments will be provided – all welcome!

PARISH BBQ: The BBQ will be held on **Sunday 10th July 2pm** with live music and a bouncy castle for the children. There won't be a bar, so please do bring your own drink and glasses. **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 by Monday 4th July 12 noon, so that we can order the food. We only have 11 adults and 2 children signed up so far!** 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 potato/pasta salads, coleslaw and lots more! Without help, we cannot make this event happen.** Raffle prizes are also needed for the day, so if you can donate something, please hand it in at the presbytery as we would like to have all raffle prizes by the 4th July. Thanks for your support.

ISABEL HOSPICE SUNFLOWER APPEAL raised £486.14 – thank you to Pauline Callaghan and David Green for staying for extra hours! Ellen B.

CHURCH CLEANING: Cheryl Holbourn, Mima Salvo, Mirella DiChiara, Josie Warren and Barbara Wright. Thank you!

Masses this week	Today's Liturgy
<p>Sat 25th June 10am Mass <i>Maureen O'Neill's Intentions</i></p> <hr/> <p>4.00pm* Italian Mass 6.30pm* <i>Mary & Seamus Timmons</i></p> <p>Sun 26th June 13TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR 9.15am** <i>Barbara Murphy RIP & deceased members of the Tomany and Murphy families</i> 11.15am <i>For the Parish</i> 1.30pm First Holy Communion Mass ‡</p>	<p>PAGE 102 in the Mass books</p> <p>1st Reading: 1 Kings 19: 16, 19–21 <i>Elisha rose and followed Elijah.</i></p> <p>Psalm 15 — O Lord, it is you who are my portion.</p> <p>2nd Reading: Galatians 5: 1, 13–18 <i>You were called to liberty.</i></p> <p>Gospel Accl: <i>Alleluia, alleluia! Speak, Lord, your servant is listening: you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia.</i></p> <p>Gospel: Luke 9: 51–62 <i>Jesus resolutely took the road for Jerusalem. I will follow you wherever you go.</i></p> <p>PREFACE TODAY: Sundays no. 5 (p. 67) EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER: Euch. Pr. no. 3 (p. 27)</p> <p>NEXT WEEK'S READINGS 14TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</p> <p>1st Reading: Isaiah 66: 10–14 2nd Reading: Galatians 6: 14–18 Gospel: Luke 10: 1–12, 17–20</p>
<p>Mon 27th June ST JOHN SOUTHWORTH, Priest 8.15am Adoration 9am Morning Prayer 9.15am Mass <i>Patrick Walsh's Intentions</i></p> <p>Tues 28th June ST IRENAEUS, Bishop & Martyr 8.15am Adoration 9am Morning Prayer 9.15am Mass <i>David Hale RIP</i></p> <p>Wed 29th June SS PETER & PAUL, Apostles 8.15am Adoration 9am Morning Prayer 9.30am Mass with both schools <i>For the Intentions of our country — followed by coffee in crypt</i> 12 noon Mass <i>Angela Coyle RIP</i> 8.00pm Mass <i>Angela Kelly RIP</i></p> <p>Thurs 30th June 8.15am Adoration 9am Morning Prayer 9.15am Mass <i>Anna Cattini RIP</i></p> <p>Fri 1st July DEDICATION OF THE CATHEDRAL (Abstinence from meat for those aged 14+) 11am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament/11.50 Benediction 12 noon Mass <i>Francesco Cannatella RIP Anniv</i> 7.30pm Mass <i>Arthur & Ellen McCarten</i> 8.00pm Holy Hour</p> <p>Sat 2nd July 10am Mass <i>Kitty O'Rourke RIP</i></p>	<p>SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION) Saturday 10.30 – 11am & 5.30 – 6.15pm Sunday 8.30 – 9am & 10.40 – 11am or ask Fr Philip at <i>any other time.</i></p> <p>ROSARY Rosary is said in the Walsingham Chapel after each weekday Mass and after Saturday 10am Mass.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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</p>
<p>4.00pm* Italian Mass 6.30pm* <i>Nadia Miragliotta RIP</i></p> <p>Sun 3rd July 14TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR 9.15am** <i>Maria & Salvatore Insalaco RIP</i> 11.15am <i>Paul McGrath</i> 5.00pm Latin Mass <i>For the Parish</i> ‡</p>	<p>REGULAR EVENTS</p> <p>Wed 29th 6pm Brownies, crypt</p>
<p>* 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>	

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 ciascuna 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.*