

Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth Registered Charity No 1199568

ST PETER AND ST PAUL, Apostles

30th June 2024 AD

Year B (Psalter Week 1)

Welcome to St Patrick's Church. Today we celebrate two great "Pillars of the Church". Jesus promised that He would build his Church on Peter—solid 'rock' (*Petros* in Latin)-and He went on to say that the power of evil will never overcome it. Paul was called by Jesus, in a vision, to be the "Apostle to the Gentiles" and it is from his work that Gospel was spread beyond the Jewish people, beyond the Middle East and out into the whole world. In these two great Apostles the Church was gathered into one family of Jesus Christ. Jesus is still with us today as we witness to His power in our lives

First Reading:	Acts 12:1-11—Now I know the Lord really did save me from Herod
Responsorial Psalm:	The angel of the Lord rescues those who revere Him. (Psalm 33)
Second Reading:	2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18—All there is to come now is the crown of righteousness reserved for me
Gospel Acclamation:	Alleluia, alleluia! You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church. And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it. Alleluia! (John 15:15)
Gospel Reading:	Matthew 16:13-19 — You are Peter, and I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven
Communion Antiphon:	Peter said to Jesus, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God. And Jesus replied, "You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church. (Matthew 16:16, 18)

Day		Time	Service	Intention
Sunday 30th July ST PETER AND ST PAUL, Apostles & Martyrs		11:00am 11:00am	Mass at St Thomas's, Emsworth Mass at St Joseph's, Havant Reconciliation (Confession) SUNG MASS	Liam and Pauline Brice (55th Wedding Anniversary)
Tuesday Feria	2nd July	10:00am	Rosary Group	
Wednesday 3rd July ST THOMAS , Apostle		10:00am	Mass at St Joseph's, Havant	
Thursday Feria	4th July	11:00am 11:30am	Mass at St Thomas's, Emsworth Adoration Mass Alpha Graduation, Sacred Heart	Len Smith (FM)
Friday Feria	5th July	10:00am	Mass at St Joseph's, Havant	
Saturday	6th July	5:00pm	Mass at St Thomas's, Emsworth	
Sunday FOURTEENTH SU	7th June INDAY IN ORDINARY TIME		Reconciliation (Confession) SUNG MASS	Desmond & Josephine Stanley (FM)

Prayers For The Sick: Wendy Field, Mary Webb, Joan Ramsbottom, Patricia Church, Paul Kessell-Holland, Lizann De Souza, Josie Whitehouse, Bill McGill, Ben Lewis, Maureen Cronin, Gerard Cronin, Monica Peters, John Nowaczewski, Liam Brice, Gilly Webster, Jane Dacre, Lily Jones, Charles Quaid.

Of your charity, please pray for the repose of the souls of those recently departed: John McCleland

And those whose Anniversaries occur at this time:

Grena Watkins, Arthur Mallon, James Douglas (Sun), Len Smith (Mon) Alice Power, Susan Hersee, (Tue)

Please join us in the Parish Hall for tea and coffee after mass. This is a time to gather and share fellowship with the family of God.

NOTICES:

Praying to the Father through Mary with Jesus

Please join the congregation on Tuesdays at 10:00am for the Rosary. A time of prayer when we gather to pray for half an hour with Mary and Jesus.

Serving God in the Sanctuary - Mass should always be beautiful and offered to God with reverence and joy. One thing we lack at St Patrick's is a decent number of servers. Servers can be any age, male or female. It isn't difficult and is a wonderful way to enhance one's own worship and that of the congregation. Fr Mark would dearly love to have at least four or five servers each week so that we can worship God with crucifer, acolytes, thurifer and MC. If you would be interested in joining us in our ministry please contact Fr Mark after mass. Remember, this is open to all ages from nine to ninety-nine and for both male and female. Full training will be offered so think about trying it whether for the first time or not for a long time.

Parish Visiting—Anyone interested in visting housebound parishioners and bringing them the Blessed Sacrament please make themselves known to Tom Phayres who is in the process of putting together a team of people to help Fr Mark with this wonderful ministry. Full training will be offered.

Tea/Coffee after Mass - is part of Parish life, always enjoyed by the 'regulars' and visitors alike. But we would be very grateful for more volunteers to come forward to help us provide this each week. Nobody is asked to do it alone, please give it a thought and get together with a couple of others,

Catholic Women's League - the CWL has its last meeting before the summer break on Tuesday next, **2nd July**. As is traditional for this meeting, a small summer tea will follow. If there are any ladies who think they might like to be part of the CWL, please do join us at **2:00pm** in the Hall, you will be made very welcome. Further details can be had from Pauline, tel. 023 9246 8498. **Future date for your diary** - there will be a fun afternoon of **Bingo** on Wednesday, **10th July** in the Hall, again at 2:00pm.

Repository - Short of a card for a birthday or other occasion? - Have a browse at all that is on offer at the back of the Church, also small gifts and remember the 'crosses in pockets'. At just £1 each these hand-stitched items continue to be very popular for putting in with a card for a friend/relative. The CWL organise and manage the Repository, so as above all proceeds go to CWL charities.

The General Election will take place on **4th July**, Portsmouth CAFOD and the Society of St Vincent de Paul are working together so that the combined voices of Catholic parishioners will be heard by parliamentary candidates in the coming weeks. It is important that the voices and the experiences of the most vulnerable are at the heart of our thoughts and decisions as we move towards an election. Resources to assist parishioners in their discernment are available at the following: cafod.org.uk/encounter and svp.org.uk/ encounter and on the Catholic Bishops' Conference website www.cbcew.org.uk/election24/

Thursday 4th July 2024 is the date of THE GENERAL ELECTION. We have been asked by the authorities to remind Church members to be aware that the Church Hall will be a Polling Station and therefore not available for any other purpose that day. Please do not enter the Hall on Thursday unless you are there to register your vote. Thank you.

Excelsis Choral Choir summer concert, conducted by Robert Lewis and featuring Freddie Simpson (BBCs Chorister of the Year finalist) at 4:00pm **Sunday 7th July** at Sacred Heart, Waterlooville. Followed by light refreshments and a Pimms bar. Tickets £12.50 Adults, under 18s free. Tickets are now available online: www.ticketsource.co.uk/sacred-heart-waterlooville

Ordinations—Please keep in your prayers Ryan Browne, who will be ordained Deacon on 10th July in Rome, and for Deacons Ambrose Chou and Tom Hiney who are to be ordained priest on 13th July by Bishop Philip at the Cathedral.

Requiem Mass for John McClelland—this will take place on Wednesday **10th July** at **11:00am**. Please also pray for his wife, Heather, and his daughter, Alison.

Hayling Holiday Lunches—Our next Collection will be on Sunday 14th July (2nd Sunday in month)

The New Lectionary

Starting in Advent 2024 the new lectionary will come into effect. The parish will needs to spend roughly £1,500 and any donations toward this would ne most helpful. Lectionaries for personal use will also change. These can be bought from the Catholic Truth Society bookshop either in person or online www.ctsbooks.org