

Feast of Saints Peter & Paul – 30 June 2024

Thought for the Week

While they lived, Peter and Paul had different parts to play in the life of the new Church. They were different in background and character. They represented two different approaches, which will forever be in creative tension with one another.

Peter moved slowly to new ideas. It was his view that things should remain as Jesus left them, and it took nothing less than a special vision before he understood that the Gentiles were to enter the Church on equal terms with the chosen people.

Paul's idea was that there were issues that Jesus hadn't dealt with, but which could not be ignored. There will always be a creative tension between the 'Peters' and the 'Pauls' if the Gospel message is to find expression in a changing world.

Both apostles were martyred in Rome under the persecution of the Emperor Nero. Both may have been scapegoats for the torching of the city of Rome, but they did light a fire that had not gone out. For this we give thanks.

Sr Teresina

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place each Friday from 10:00 - 16:00. All welcome.

The Rosary

The Rosary is prayed after the 12:00 Mass each Friday, please join us.

Reconciliation

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available at St Edward's:

Saturdays: 11:00 - 11:30 and 17:30 - 18:00

Tuesdays: 18:00 - 18:30

Interfaith

In our diocese we have an Interfaith Group who try to foster dialogue and good practice with those of other faiths. Over the years they have organised conferences and talks. We have been asked to have a representative from the Pastoral Area to be the link person. If you would be interested in knowing more or volunteering please Contact Fr David.

Mass Times & Intentions 29 June -7 July

Sat 29	18:00	Rosanna Pediconi - RIP
Sun 30	09:30	Tom Costello - RIP - St Mark's
	11:00	Jim & Josephine O'Toole - RIP
Mon 01	10:00	Eucharistic Service
Tue 02	18:30	Johanna Rogers - RIP
Wed 03	11:00	Frances Wetherall - FUNERAL
Thur 04	10:00	People of the Parish - St Mark's
Fri 05	12:00	Leon Gajdus - RIP
Sat 06	18:00	Jean Crowther
Sun 07	09:30	People of the Parish - St Mark's
	11:00	Frank Holland - RIP
		Middle School - Leading Mass

Parish Diary 29 June -7 July

Sat 29	10:00	Baptisms - Frederick & Cecila Laboritch and Leonardo & Raphael Moore Naicker
Sun 30	12:00	Tea & Coffee - P/C
Tue 02	10:30	UCM - Viewing Walsingham Mass - P/C
	12:15	Bishop visiting Parish, First & Middle Schools
Wed 03	19:30	Mothers Prayers - St Brigid's Room
Thur 04	11:00	Bereavement Group Meeting - P/C
	18:30	Mass Readings Explained - St Brigid's Room
	19:00	Pastoral Area Meeting - Ascot
Sat 06	12:00	Wedding - Jaya Kuzhively and Tom Kirk
Sun 07	09:30	Baptisms - Oluwatishe, Olamide, Tunmise & Ayomide Ajiroba
	12:00	Tea & Coffee - P/C
	12:15	Baptism Preparation - St Brigid's Room

Morning & Evening Prayer

Tue 02	18:00	Evening Prayer - Lady Chapel, St Edward's
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Fr David's Diary

Mon 01	18:30	Middle School - Governors Meeting
Tue 02	09:15	Bishop's Visit - Parish, 1 st & Middle Schools
Thur 04	17:30	First School - Governors Meeting
	19:00	Pastoral Area Meeting - Ascot

Peter's Pence – Special Collection this weekend

The faithful's offerings to the Holy Father are destined to Church needs, humanitarian initiatives and social promotion projects, as well as to the support of the Holy See. Further information is available on the Peter's Pence website (<https://www.obolodisanpietro.va/en.html>)

Priest Exchange – Weekend Masses

This week in our preparation for the joining together of our two parishes of Windsor and Ascot Fr David will be at Ascot for the weekend Masses and Fr Phillip will be in Windsor for the weekend. Please give them a warm welcome.

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Diocesan Prayer for the Golden Jubilee of the Bamenda-Portsmouth Link – 2024

Heavenly Father, we thank you for the bond of love and friendship which has existed between the Archdiocese of Bamenda and the Diocese of Portsmouth for fifty years. We are deeply grateful to you for the spiritual and material benefits this union has yielded. Guided by your Word and filled with your Holy Spirit, may we receive the grace to grow in partnership and understanding as we celebrate as one body, sharing in the one bread of Christ. Bless those who have made selfless sacrifices to sustain us, especially the priests who have served in our dioceses. May their work be rewarded in the abundance of your grace. May Mary Immaculate, St Joseph, St Edmund and Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati, our Patrons, intercede for us. *Amen.*

Ordination – Stephen Patterson

Stephen's Ordination to the Diaconate will take place in **Portsmouth Cathedral on Saturday 27 July at 11:00.**

A coach has been booked and is now full. However, if you would like to go to the Mass and reception afterwards, we are hoping to put a standby list together in case someone drops out - or try to link people up with others who may be driving themselves and have a spare seat. Please contact lisafranklin730@gmail.com, (07769 249568), alternatively contact the Parish Office.

Many parishioners have been asking how to contribute to Stephen's Ordination to the Diaconate – we have therefore set up a 'giveasyoulive' page for those who wish to contribute in this way.

<https://donate.giveasyoulive.com/campaign/collection-for-stephen-patterson>

Save the Date – Concert

There will be a concert by 'Duo Amie,' a Boston based Cello and Piano duo - Julie Reimann (cello) and Ellyses Kuan (piano) including works by Saint Saens and Mussorgsky at St Edward's Church on **Monday 8 July** at 19:00. More information to follow. Come along - suggested donation of £20 on the door. Please see poster.

St Mark's Cleaning

If you can lend a hand for about an hour a week (regularly or every now and then) please contact the Parish Office or Maggie Waddington - maggiewaddington@yahoo.co.uk

Raffle Prize Winning Numbers

There are some raffle prizes yet to be claimed. They can be picked up from the Parish Office in St Brigid's Room, between 09:00 – 14:00 on Tuesday, Thursday or Friday.

Ticket No. **215** Lynda. Other tickets plus serial number.

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Dishes left after Summer Party

Some serving dishes have not been picked up from the food made for the Summer Party. Please come to the Parish Centre to collect any you may have left.

First Holy Communion Programme 2024 - 2025

Our FHC team are now accepting registrations for the 2024-25 First Holy Communion programme. Further details plus application forms can be found on the Parish website. Kindly send completed application forms and a copy, not original, of your child's Baptismal Certificate to fhc@catholicwindsor.org
A meeting for parents will be held on 26 September at 18:30. For those families wishing to enrol their children (who are in year 3 or above) we shall be having a threefold programme, as follows:

Step 1: 'Come and See' (John1: 39-41)

For 6 weekends from the 28/29 September to 2/3 November. The candidate is required to attend weekend Masses with family members. At the beginning of November, a Commitment Ceremony will be held.

Step 2: 'They sat at the feet of Jesus' (Luke 10:38-42)

The Saturday morning sessions, at 10:00, start at the beginning of November where the candidates will prepare with their parents for First Reconciliation and Holy Communion.

Step 3: 'Jesus Sent them Out' (Luke 10:1)

The Holy Communion Mass will be followed by an invitation to do something for the community and will be introduced to the Mini Vinnies in the parish (Junior SVP).

To enrol in step 1 please fill in an application form that can be found on our website. The introduction and the unfolding of the programme will be on **Thursday 26 September at 18:30 in St Edward's Parish Centre.** At this meeting of parents, you will receive the 'Commitment Card' that needs to be stamped when your child attends Mass. Further dates will be given at this meeting.

Please note the closing date for applications is Monday 16 September 2024.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the FHC team at fhc@catholicwindsor.org.

Pastoral Area Prayer

*Heavenly Father,
We come before you with hearts full of faith and hope as we pray for the successful joining of our two parishes in this pastoral area.*

Lord, we seek your guidance and blessings for this journey as we strengthen our faith community and fulfil your mission to evangelise and bring people closer to Jesus Christ.

May your wisdom enlighten our journey as we join together in faith, love, and unity.

In the name of your Son, Jesus Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, we offer this prayer.

Amen.

St Francis of Assisi - Ascot

You can log on to the website for a copy of the newsletter:
www.stfrancisascot.co.uk

Deceased

Please pray for the repose of the souls of the recently departed, whose funeral arrangements are as follows:

Frances Wetherall: 11:00 at St Edward's on 3 July.

Martin Mulkerrins: 10:00 at St Edward's on 10 July.