



St. Patrick's R.C. Church

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Sunday 26th June, 2022

In the gospel of Luke this Sunday we read of the moment when Jesus decides to head for Jerusalem. This is presented as a very conscious decision on the part of Jesus who is fully aware that his preaching of the Kingdom will bring rejection and death. We learn from this reading that being a Christian is not an easy or comfortable affair. It calls for total self-denial in which we put Christ above everything else. Jesus' journey to Jerusalem is also the journey each of us is called upon to take, it is an inward journey in which we examine our faith to determine how well we have been loyal to it. It is our journey that leads us to God through his Son and with the help of the Holy Spirit.

SS. PETER & PAUL . . This Wednesday, 29th June, marks the great solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul. Peter's journey was from the weakness of denial to the rock of fidelity. He gave us the ultimate witness of the Cross. Paul's pilgrimage was from the blindness of persecution to the fire of proclamation. He made the Word of God come alive for the nations.



To be with Peter means to preserve the unity of the Christian Church, to speak with Paul is to proclaim the Word of God. Their passion was to proclaim the Gospel of Christ. Their commitment was to create a place for everyone in Christ's Church. Their loyalty to Christ was valid to death. Peter and Paul are for us a strong foundation; they are pillars of our church.

Lord, we ask for your help in all our efforts at building communities within our community. You have promised us that, no matter how small the initiative, if we will plant it and tend it, you will help it flourish. Though we may not succeed at the first attempt, give us the courage to try again and the readiness to persevere should that be needed and may all that we do be to your greater glory. Amen.

The Feast of SS Peter & Paul, 29th June, is a Holyday of Obligation. Mass times are: 10am - St. Cuthbert's RC Church, 12 Noon - St. Mary's RC Church, 7.00pm - St. Patrick's RC Church

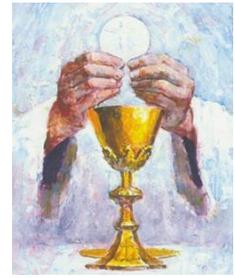
FIRST HOLY COMMUNION ~ Please keep the boys and girls of Year 4 in your prayers as they receive the great gift of the Eucharist over the next two weekends. They will celebrate all together with a special meal in school before the end of term. We especially thank Canon Cooper for his work and dedication in preparing the children and pray that the graces and blessing they receive from the Sacrament marks the start of a wonderful journey in faith. (from St. Patrick's RC School)



The Parish Shop at rear of the Church is open every Sunday morning and will also be open on First Holy Communion day. Lots of little gifts on sale for children receiving their First Holy Communion. There will be no usual Stall out this year. Thank you for your support.

This Sunday there will be a second collection for 'Peter's Pence'

13th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR			
26	Sunday	9.00am	Emma, Andrew & Ava Grace
27	Monday	9.15am	Barbara Budsar
28	Tuesday St Irenaeus		
29	Wednesday SS Peter and Paul	7.00pm	Conversions
30	Thursday	6.00pm	Holy Hour ~ Rosary and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
1	Friday	10.30pm	Funeral Service ~ Philip Andrews
2	Saturday	10.00am	First Holy Communion Children
14th Sunday of the Year			
3	Sunday	9.00am	People of our Parish
Recently Deceased:		Philip Andrews ~ May he rest in peace. Amen	
Anniversaries:		Mary Tunney, Margaret Sisson, Patricia Addison, Patricia Boyce	
		Billy McGuinness, Margaret Devlin, Pauline Morton, Mike Rutland, Margaret Kenning, Christopher Brown, Fr. Pat McKenna, Rosie Owens, Andrew Brydon, Mary Talbot, Betty Griffiths, Rose Marie Bruno, Dave, Pauline Davies	
For Parish Centre bookings please ring Rebecca on 07514 335003			



Lord God, we offer our joyful prayers in thanksgiving for our Holy Father Pope Francis. In Pope Francis we recognize the successor to Peter, the touchstone for the mission of the Church. We pray that your Holy Spirit will strengthen him to be a messenger of love, peace and unity.

Holy Father's Prayer Intention for June ~ We pray for Christian families around the world; may they embody and experience unconditional love and advance in holiness in their daily lives.

Hairspray Production: Our Lady & St Bede pupils have been working hard towards their end of year show, HAIRSPRAY! It's the first time in over 25 years that the school has put on a school production and they would be thrilled if you can join them! With over 50 pupils involved, it promises to be a spectacular event. HAIRSPRAY will be running on **Mon 4th - Wed 6th July** (6:30pm). Tickets £5.50/4.50 (u16) can be ordered from www.ticketsource.co.uk/ourladyandstbede

MEN OF ST JOSEPH ROSARY RALLY & PROCESSION, MIDDLESBROUGH TOWN CENTRE
You are warmly invited to attend a Rosary Rally on **Saturday 2nd July**. Meet at 12:30pm outside St. John's Church, Marton Road, Middlesbrough for procession into the town centre. Hymns will be sung en route and the Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed publicly at the junction of Linthorpe Road and Corporation Road. There will be a blessing with a first class relic of St. Faustina, Apostle of Divine Mercy. Afterwards, there will be a time of fellowship with refreshments and a picnic in Centre Square. Families warmly welcome! Leaflets in the church porch. For more information, please contact Ben Corbett: ben@endeavourleisure.net

SPUC Club Draw Result ~ 15th June, 2022: 1st Prize, No. 30, Colin Gallagher: 2nd Prize, No. 35, Mary Daley, 3rd Prize No. 47, Josephine Grier. Many thanks to all who contribute to the SPUC Club Draw, your support is greatly appreciated. If anyone would like to take a number please contact Christine Pope on 07980 290432.