

MASS PROPER SUNDAY 10.30AM

Introit

Nunc scio (Acts 12:11; Ps 139:1)

Now I know of a surety that the Lord hath sent his Angel: and hath delivered me from the hand of Herod, and from all the expectation of the people of the Jews.

(Ps) O Lord, thou hast searched me out, and known me: thou knowest my down-sitting and mine up-rising.

GLORY. Now I know...

Collect

O GOD, who hast hallowed this day by the martyrdom of thine Apostles Peter and Paul: grant unto thy Church, in all things to follow the precepts of those through whom she received the beginning of religion: through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

First reading

Acts 12:1-11

In those days: Herod the king laid violent hands on some who belonged to the church. He killed James the brother of John with the sword, and when he saw that it pleased the Jews, he proceeded to arrest Peter also. This was during the days of Unleavened Bread. And when he had seized him, he put him in prison, delivering him over to four squads of soldiers to guard him, intending after the Passover to bring him out to the people. So Peter was kept in prison, but earnest prayer for him was made to God by the church.

Now when Herod was about to bring him out, on that very night, Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, bound with two chains, and sentries before the door were guarding the prison. And behold, an angel of the Lord stood next to him, and a light shone in the cell. He struck Peter on the side and woke him, saying, 'Get up quickly.' And the chains fell off his hands. And the angel said to him, 'Dress yourself and put on your sandals.' And he did so. And he said to him, 'Wrap your cloak round you and follow me.' And he went out and followed him. He did not know that what was being done by the angel was real, but thought he was seeing a vision. When they had passed the first and the second guard, they came to the iron gate leading into the city. It opened for them of its own accord, and they went out and went along one street, and immediately the angel left him. When Peter came to himself, he said, 'Now I am sure that the Lord has sent his angel and rescued me from the hand of Herod and from all that the Jewish people were expecting.'

Second reading

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18

Beloved: I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that day, and not only to me, but also to all who have loved his appearing.

The Lord stood by me and strengthened me, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might

hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil deed and bring me safely into his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Alleluia

Alleluia. Alleluia.

Thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church.

Alleluia.

Tu es Petrus (Mt 16:18)

Gospel

Matthew 16:13-19

At that time: When Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Simon Peter replied, 'You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.' And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.'

Offertory

Constitues eos principes (Ps 45:16,17)

Thou shalt make them princes in all lands: they shall remember thy Name, O Lord, from one generation to another.

Prayer over the Offerings

Consecrate, O Lord, the oblations which we offer unto thee: and with them accept on our behalf the prayers of thy blessed Apostles; and thereby cleanse us from all sin and defend us from all adversities; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Preface of the Apostles

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, through the great shepherd of thy flock, Jesus Christ our Lord; who after his Resurrection sent forth his apostles to preach the Gospel and to teach all nations; and promised to be with them always, even unto the end of the ages. Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; ever more praising thee, and saying:

Holy, holy, holy...

Communion

Tu es Petrus (Mt 16:18)

Thou art Peter, and upon this rock: I will build my Church.

Postcommunion

O Lord, who dost satisfy the hungry soul with Bread from heaven: vouchsafe also to defend us, we beseech thee; by the prayers of thine Apostles against all adversity; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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SUNDAY 28TH JUNE THE SOLEMNITY OF ST PETER & ST PAUL

In today's Gospel, Jesus asks the disciples for a "field report" by asking what people are saying about him. He refers to himself as the Son of Man, a term derived from the Jewish Scriptures, found in the book of Daniel and in other apocryphal writings. Many scholars suggest that "Son of Man" is best understood to mean "human being." As Jesus turns the question directly to the disciples and asks what they believe, Peter speaks for all of them when he announces that they believe Jesus to be the Christ. "Christ" is the Greek translation of the Hebrew word for "messiah," which means "the anointed one." At the time of Jesus, the image of the "messiah" was laden with popular expectations, most of which looked for a political leader who would free the Jewish people from Roman occupation.

THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

First reading

Acts 12:1-11

The persecution that Herod began against the early Church was not an ideological one, but purely political. An astute operator, Herod pursued a policy of ingratiating himself with the local Jewish religious leadership in order to maintain good relations. Inevitably this will set him on a collision course with the new movement that had sprung up around the figure of Jesus. The story of Peter's miraculous liberation from captivity, however, reminds us that no earthly politician or ruler can suppress or eliminate what comes from God. The Acts of the Apostles is testimony to the truth of the Risen Lord, a truth which no temporal power can destroy.

Second Reading

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18

Paul, aware that the time of his martyrdom is approaching, gives thanks to the Lord for being with him in his work and mission to proclaim the Good News to the Gentiles. He is acutely aware that he could only accomplish what he did through grace. From the moment he encountered the Risen Lord on the road to Damascus, he has poured himself out in the service of the Gospel. On the day when we celebrate the Solemnity of St Peter and St Paul, we give thanks for his steadfastness, and ask for his prayers.

Gospel

Matthew 16:13-19

Of all the moments in the Gospels, the confession of Peter, made at Caesaria Philippi, heart of the pagan world, is pivotal. With eyes to see and ears to hear, Peter has listened to the voice of his Heavenly Father, and in so doing, recognises the man standing before him as the Christ, the Son of the living God. At this moment, Peter become the rock upon which the Church of Jesus Christ will be built. There will moments of fear and doubt along the way; he will disown Jesus on the day of his suffering and death; but this is the moment when Peter and the Church are inextricably linked until the Lord comes again.

SUNDAY MASS

6.00pm (Saturday Vigil), 10.30am (Solemn), 5pm

WEEKDAY MASS

8am Tue-Fri 12.45pm Tue-Fri

HOLYDAYS OF OBLIGATION

As advertised.

CONFESSIONS

Sat 5.15-5.45pm

SAFEGUARDING

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Dioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Dr Rose Cleary, who can be contacted on safeguarding@rcdow.org.uk.

NEWS & EVENTS

This Sunday:

The Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles. On this weekend, a second collection will be taken for **Peter's Pence**, which supports the Holy Father's Mission, and various charitable works throughout the world. It a way of demonstrating our Communion with the Holy See, and of our support of our Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV. Please be as generous as possible.

Music at the 10.30am Solemn Mass

Charles Stanford *Justorum animae*

Louis Vierne *Messe Solennelle*

Today

Mgr Keith Newton will be the celebrant and preacher at the 10:30 Solemn Mass on Sunday 28th June, on the occasion on the 50th anniversary of his pastoral ministry. It is a great joy to welcome Gill and Mgr Keith back to Warwick Street!

At 13:30 there will be a celebratory lunch downstairs in the Challoner Hall. If you would like to attend, please speak to Ollie Delargy to secure your place. We are asking people who are attending to bring food for the lunch. If you would like to contribute a food dish, please let Ollie know so we can have a good idea of what will be available on the day. Thank you.

Friday to Monday, 24th—27th July 2026: We Believe Festival

Many thanks to all those who have now signed up for this festival.

For the Diary: 5th September—March for Life

A little way ahead, I know, but please put this in your diary. It would be good if we could have a really strong representation at this important event. Further details will be available in due course, but it is worth noting that there will be a very good turnout of Bishops, including Bishop David.

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| Sunday 28 th June | ST PETER & ST PAUL | 10.30am (Solemn) 5.00pm | Julian Rugseth RIP People of the Parish | <p>Please pray for:</p> <p>THE SICK Assumption Fernandez, Bernice Taylor, Flutura, Charlie O'Donnell, Kenny, Norma Skeggs, Paul, Ben Broadbent</p> <p>FAITHFUL DEPARTED</p> |
| Monday 29 th June | feria | No Mass | | |
| Tuesday 30 th June | The first Martyrs of Holy Roman Church | 12.45pm | Heather Barnes RIP | |
| Wednesday 1 st July | DEDICATION OF THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF WESTMINSTER | 12.45pm 6.30pm Sung Mass (Latin) | Ben Broadbent | |
| Thursday 2 nd July | FERIA | 12.45pm | | |
| Friday 3 rd July | ST THOMAS, APOSTLE | 12.45pm | | |
| Saturday 4 th July | Our Lady on Saturday | 12noon 6pm | People of the Parish | |

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MASS PROPER SATURDAY 6PM

Entrance antiphon

Peter the Apostle, and Paul the teacher of the Gentiles, these have taught us your law, O Lord.

Collect

Grant, we pray, O Lord our God, that we may be sustained by the intercession of the blessed Apostles Peter and Paul, that, as through them you gave your Church the foundations of her heavenly office, so through them you may help her to eternal salvation. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

First reading

In those days: Peter and John were going up to the Temple at the hour of prayer, the ninth hour. And a man lame from birth was being carried, whom they laid daily at the gate of the Temple, that is called the Beautiful Gate, to ask alms of those entering the Temple. Seeing Peter and John about to go into the Temple, he asked to receive alms. And Peter directed his gaze at him, as did John, and said, 'Look at us.' And he fixed his attention on them, expecting to receive something from them. But Peter said, 'I have no silver and gold, but what I do have I give to you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk!' And he took him by the right hand and raised him up, and immediately his feet and ankles were made strong. And leaping up, he stood and began to walk, and entered the Temple with them, walking and leaping and praising God. And all the people saw him walking and praising God, and recognised him as the one who sat at the Beautiful Gate of the Temple, asking for alms. And they were filled with wonder and amazement at what had happened to him.

Responsorial Psalm

Their sound goes forth through all the earth.

Second reading

Brothers and Sisters: I would have you know that the gospel that was preached by me is not man's gospel. For I did not receive it from any man, nor was I taught it, but I received it through a revelation of Jesus Christ. For you have heard of my former life in Judaism, how I persecuted the Church of God violently and tried to destroy it. And I was advancing in Judaism beyond many of my own age among my people, so extremely zealous was I for the traditions of my fathers. But when he who had set me apart before I was born, and who called me by his grace, was pleased to reveal his Son to me, in order that I might preach him among the Gentiles, I did not immediately consult with anyone; nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were Apostles before me, but I went away into Arabia, and returned again to Damascus. Then, after three years, I went up to Jerusalem to visit Cephas and remained with him for fifteen days. But I saw none of the other Apostles except James the Lord's brother. In what I am writing to you, before God, I do not lie!

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia.

Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.

Alleluia.

Gospel

When Jesus had revealed himself to his disciples and they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, 'Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?' He said to him, 'Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.' He said to him, 'Feed my lambs.' He said to him a second time, 'Simon, son of John, do you love me?' He said to him, 'Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.' He said to him, 'Tend my sheep.' He said to him the third time, 'Simon, son of John, do you love me?' Peter was grieved because he said to him the third time, 'Do you love me?' and he said to him, 'Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep. Truly, truly, I say to you, when you were young, you used to dress yourself and walk wherever you wanted, but when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and another will dress you and carry you where you do not want to go.) This he said to show by what kind of death he was to glorify God.) And after saying this he said to him, 'Follow me.'

Prayer over the Offerings

We bring offerings to your altar, O Lord, as we glory in the solemn feast of the blessed Apostles Peter and Paul, so that the more we doubt our own merits, the more we may rejoice that we are to be saved by your loving kindness. Through Christ our Lord.

Communion Antiphon

Simon, Son of John, do you love me more than these? Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.

Prayer after Communion

By this heavenly Sacrament, O Lord, we pray, strengthen your faithful, whom you have enlightened with the teaching of the Apostles. Through Christ our Lord.

Solemn Blessing

May almighty God bless you, for he has made you steadfast in Saint Peter's saving confession and through it has set you on the solid rock of the Church's faith. **Amen.**

And having instructed you by the tireless preaching of Saint Paul, may God teach you constantly by his example to win brothers and sisters for Christ. **Amen.**

So that by the keys of St Peter and the words of St Paul, and by the support of their intercession, God may bring us happily to that homeland that Peter attained on a cross and Paul by the blade of a sword. **Amen.**

And may the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit, come down on you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

John 21:15-19

Cf. Jn 21: 15, 17

John 21:17d