St Mary Magdalen Catholic Church

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Saints Peter and Paul: 30th June 2019

Sunday Readings: Year C Weekday Readings Year I: 13th Week of the Year

We offer a warm welcome to all new parishioners and visitors.

Services This Week

Sunday 30 th June Saints Peter & Paul	10:00 am* Hymns for Entrance: - Offertory: - Communio	Holy Mass – Robert and Sean Holy Mass – Open Intention 10:00 Mass Faith of our Fathers (130) Dear Lord and Father of Mankind (116) n: - The Lord's My Shepherd (533) - The Church's One Foundation (518) Holy Mass – People of the Parish
Monday 1 st July	Feria 9:30 am	Holy Mass- Janes Family
Tuesday 2 nd July	Feria 9.30 am	Holy Mass- Vieira Family
Wednesday 3 rd July	St Thomas 9:30 am	 Apostle (Holy Mass in the church) Holy Mass- Open Intention
Thursday 4 th July	Feria 9:30 am	Holy Mass- Christine Bloomfield
Friday 5 th July	Feria 9:30 am	Holy Mass- Evelyn Danny
Saturday 6 th July	Feria NO MASS	(Priestly ordinations at the Cathedral)
Sunday 7 th July 14 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	8:00 am 10:00 am*	Holy Mass- George & Stephen RIP

* Children's Liturgy will be celebrated during the 10:00 Mass on Sundays.

Tea and coffee will be available in the Guild Room after 10:00 Mass - please do come and join us!

Today's Gospel

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."

Mark places this incident at Caesarea Philippi. Luke, because of the importance he wishes to give to prayer in his Gospel, places it in the context of Jesus praying. But Matthew keeps it at Caesarea Philippi. 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.

Because Jesus has referred to himself a number of times in Matthew by Christological titles this moment is not the revelation of who Jesus is as in Mark. Instead it marks an important moment in the development of the Church. Jesus uses this occasion to bless Peter, who represents all the disciples but also has a unique role to play in the founding of the new community. Peter is blessed not because of a personal insight but because God revealed to him who Jesus is. Peter is the rock on which Jesus will build the Church.

Saint Peter and Saint Paul

Today we celebrate the solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul. Peter is the first head of the Roman Church, our leader in the faith and Paul the great missionary, scholar and fearless preacher. Paul's epistles give the earliest application of the Gospel message in everyday life. He brought the call of God to the nations while Peter raised the church from the flock of Israel. Both are very different in their character, talents and approach yet one in their love and commitment to the Gospel and the Lord. Both had a martyr's death. Both learned from their mistakes and are prototypes for ordinary Christians. There will be a retiring collection taken at each Mass for Peter's Pence. As a diocese in full communion with Rome, we support the Holy Father and his staff in their service to the universal Church.

The Sick of the Parish

Please pray for those who are sick or housebound: Margaret Arbon, Peggy Barron, Jason Beaumont, Michael Clarke, Deacon Peter Coates, Fabiana Di Mascio, Ron Green, Jo Kelly, Molly Mc Garry, Yvonne Metcalfe, Robert Mullan, Anna Nelli, Mary O'Reilly and Pippa Williamson.

St Mary Magdalens 150 Club

The June prize draw of the parish 150 Club was made last Sunday after 10:00 Mass. Congratulations to the following winners:

£15	No 107	Mr & Mrs R Cork	£10	No 258	Mr R Fox
£5	No 135	Mrs T Rose	£5	No 99	Mrs S Sheppard

Bonus Prize

£20 No 172 Mrs R Anderson-Hurst

Parish Picnic

The feast day of our parish patron, St Mary Magdalen, falls on Monday 22nd July. On Sunday 14th July there will be a parish picnic in the church garden in celebration of our patron's feast day. Please come along from 11:30, bring your own picnic gear, food and drink and be prepared to enjoy a friendly social gathering with your fellow parishioners.

Catholic East Anglia

The July edition of the free Diocesan Newspaper, Catholic East Anglia, is available in the narthex. Please help yourself to a copy and catch up on the news and events across the Diocese of East Anglia.

St Vincent De Paul (SVP) Walsingham Pilgrimage

Woodbridge SVP is organising a coach to attend the SVP Pilgrimage at Walsingham on Sunday, 7th July. If anyone would like to join the group the cost of the coach will be £12.00 per person and pick-up will be at St Mary's Church on Woodbridge Road, Ipswich at 09:15. Mass is at 13:30 at the Chapel of Our Lady of Reconciliation. If you would like more details please contact Wendy Hardinge on 01728 724429. You do not have to be unwell or a member of the SVP - everyone is welcome.

Our Own Dear Departed

Of your charity, pray for the repose of the souls of the faithful departed and especially for Margaret Robinson, Ethel Glendenning, Francis Morris, Michael Melvien, Baby Sebastian Higgins, Terence Stewart Bowereley, whose anniversaries occur about this time.

Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Tower Tours

Every Saturday until 28th September, St John's Cathedral in Norwich is offering Tower Tours – climb the 230 steps up the tower to the highest vantage point overlooking Norwich, with views as far as Happisburgh to the north and Great Yarmouth to the east. Tours of the cathedral, including the cellars, narthex and hidden gardens, are also available. Bookings can be made on 01603 724381 or by email to heritage@sjbcathedral.org.uk.

Holiday Season

As we approach the main summer holiday season, there will be a number of individuals absent and unavailable for duty on various rotas. If you are scheduled for a duty at church which happens to fall during your holiday absence, please arrange cover for yourself with one of the other team members so that there are no gaps left for others to have to fill at the last minute.

Priestly Ordinations

Deacons Jude Belnas, Alan Hodgson, Michael Brooks, Paul Spellman and Simon Davies will be ordained Priests at St John the Baptist's Cathedral church at 11:30am on Saturday 6th July 2019. Please pray for them. Everyone is warmly welcomed to the Cathedral for the Ordination Mass. If anyone would like to go and need transport please speak to Fr. Mathew.

Cartias East Anglia

Caritas East Anglia would like to know how Catholics are sharing God's love with the poor and marginalised. If you're involved in any social outreach work, either through church or with another group, please fill in this short questionnaire to tell me what you're doing: <u>https://www.rcdea.org.uk/caritas-questionnaire/</u>Contact Jacinta Goode with any questions: <u>caritas@rcdea.org.uk</u>

Offertory Collections

The offertory collection on Sunday 23rd June is not yet available. We shall publish it next Sunday.

Readings for the Feast of Saints Peter and Paul – Year C: 30th June, 2019

Entrance Antiphon: These are the ones who, living in the flesh, planted the Church with their blood; they drank the chalice of the Lord and became friends of God.

Collect: O God, who on the solemnity of the apostles Peter and Paul gave us the noble and holy joy of this day, grant, we pray, that your Church may in all things follow the teaching of those through whom she received the beginnings of right religion. Through Our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

First Reading: Acts. 12:1-11 Now I know the Lord rally did save me from Herod.

King Herod started persecuting certain members of the Church. He beheaded James the brother of John, and when he saw that this pleased the Jews he decided to arrest Peter as well. This was during the days of unleavened bread, and he put Peter in prison assigning four squads of four soldiers each to guard him in turns. Herod meant to try Peter in public after the end of Passover week. All the time Peter was under guard the Church prayed to God for him unremittingly. On the night before Herod was to try him, Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, fastened with double chains, while guards kept watch at the main entrance to the prison. Then suddenly the angel of the Lord stood there, and the cell was filled with light. He tapped Peter on the side and woke him. "Get up!" he said "Hurry!" And the chains fell from his hands. The angel then said, "Put on your belt and sandals." After he had done this, the angel next said, "Wrap your cloak around you and follow me." Peter followed him, but had no idea that what the angle did was all happening in reality: he thought he was seeing a vision. They passed through two guard posts one after the other, and reached the iron gate leading to the city. This opened of its own accord; they went through it and had walked the whole length of one street when suddenly the angel left him. It was only then that Peter came to himself. "Now I know it is all true." he said. "The Lord really did send his angel and has saved me from Herod and from all that the Jewish people were so certain would happen to me."

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 33:2-9 From all my terrors the Lord set me free.

Second Reading: 2Tim. 4:6-8,17-18 All there is to come now is the crown of righteousness reserved for me.

My life is already being poured away as a libation, and the time has come for me to be gone. I have fought the good fight to the end; I have run the race to the finish. I have kept the faith; all there is to come now is the crown of righteousness reserved for me, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day; and not only to me but to all those who have longed for his appearing. The Lord stood by me and gave me power, so that through me the whole message might be proclaimed for all pagans to hear; and so I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from all evil attempts on me, and bring me safely to his heavenly kingdom. To him be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

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!

Gospel: Matt. 16:13-19 You are Peter, and I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven.

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi he put this question to his disciples, "Who do people say the Son of Man is?" And they said, "Some say he is John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." "But you", he said, "who do you say I am?" Then Simon Peter spoke up, "You are the Christ," he said "the son of the living God." Jesus replied, "Simon son of Jonah, you are a happy man! Because it was not flesh and blood that revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. So I now say to you: You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church. And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven: whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven."

Prayer over the Offerings: May the prayer of the Apostles, O Lord, accompany the sacrificial gift that we present to your name for consecration, and may their intercession make us devoted to you in celebration of the sacrifice. Through Christ our Lord.

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.

Prayer after Communion: Grant us, O Lord, who have been renewed by this sacrament, so to live in the Church that, persevering in the breaking of bread and in the teaching of the Apostles, we may be one heart and one soul, made steadfast in your love. Through Christ our Lord.