

## Feast of St Peter and St Paul in Vatican City

On 29 June, Vatican City celebrates the Feast of Saint Peter and Saint Paul as a public holiday. Both the Apostle Peter and the Apostle Paul were martyred in Rome, and today, they are “joint patron saints” of the city of Rome under Roman Catholic tradition. Thus, the two saints are remembered on a single holiday. The Pope presides over religious ceremonies held in Vatican and in Rome, and he will don all archbishops appointed over the course of the previous year with a special wool cloak on this day as well.

There will be many festive events on this day, and many people visit the statue of Saint Paul that stands in front of Saint Peter’s Basilica in Vatican City as part of the celebration.



DIocese OF NOTTINGHAM

**"It is now necessary that we reflect together as a diocese on our varying experiences. Share your story: How has Covid-19 Affected You and Your Faith?"** How has Covid-19 affected you and your Faith? Bishop Patrick would like to know more about peoples’ experiences of the pandemic, with a view to ensuring that the faithful are well supported and understood in the years ahead. Please visit [www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/](http://www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/) whats-on/news/share-your-story-how-has-covid-19-affected-you-andyour-faith and fill the questionnaire. **The deadline for submissions is July 4<sup>th</sup> 2021.** When you do the survey click onto the Nottingham Diocese. Please encourage other parishioners to do so.

**Pope Francis July Intentions - Social friendship.** We pray that, in social, economic and political situations of conflict, we may be courageous and passionate architects of dialogue and friendship.

### COLLECT PRAYER

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.



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**Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**27<sup>th</sup> June – 4<sup>th</sup> July 2021**

**Words for the Week: I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.**

Sunday 27.06	10.30am 4pm	English Mass Malayalam Mass
Monday 28.06	No Service	
Tuesday 29.06	10.30am	<b>Feast of SS Peter and Paul</b>
Wednesday 30.06	6pm	Holy Mass
Thursday 1.07	10am	Holy Mass
Friday 2.07	10am 5.45pm	Holy Mass Malayalam Mass
Saturday 3.07	10am 5.45pm	Holy Mass Malayalam Mass
Sunday 4.07	10.30am 4pm	English Mass Malayalam Mass

**Father George is offering Holy Mass from Mother of God Church. Available at  
<http://Facebook.com/gchelackal> <http://motherofgodleicester.co.uk>**

### Words of the Holy Father

I ask you: do each of you feel that you need to be healed? Of something, of some sin, of some problem? And, if you feel this, do you have faith in Jesus? These are the two requirements in order to be healed, in order to have access to his heart: to feel in need of healing and to entrust yourself to Him. Jesus goes to discover these people among the crowd and removes them from anonymity, frees them from the fear of living and of taking risks. He does so with a look and a word which sets them back on the path after much suffering and humiliation. We too are called to learn and to imitate these freeing words and this gaze which restores the will to live to those who lack it.

## Gospel Readings Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2021

### 1st Reading – From the Book of Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24

God did not make death, nor does he rejoice in the destruction of the living. For he fashioned all things that they might have being; and the creatures of the world are wholesome, and there is not a destructive drug among them nor any domain of the netherworld on earth, for justice is undying. For God formed man to be imperishable; the image of his own nature he made him. But by the envy of the devil, death entered the world, and they who belong to his company experience it.

### Responsorial Psalm – Psalms 30: 2, 4, 5-6, 11, 12, 13

**I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.**

I will extol thee, O Lord, for thou hast upheld me: and hast not made my enemies to rejoice over me. Thou hast brought forth, O Lord, my soul from hell: thou hast saved me from them that go down into the pit. **R.**

Sing to the Lord, O ye his saints: and give praise to the memory of his holiness. For wrath is in his indignation; and life in his good will. In the evening weeping shall have place, and in the morning gladness. **R.**

The Lord hath heard, and hath had mercy on me: the Lord became my helper. Thou hast turned for me my mourning into joy: thou hast cut my sackcloth, and hast compassed me with gladness: To the end that my glory may sing to thee, and I may not regret: O Lord my God, I will give praise to thee forever. **R.**

### 2nd Reading – 2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15

Brothers and sisters: As you excel in every respect, in faith, discourse, knowledge, all earnestness, and in the love we have for you, may you excel in this gracious act also. For you know the gracious act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, for your sake he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. Not that others should have relief while you are burdened, but that as a matter of equality your abundance at the present time should supply their needs, so that their abundance may also supply your needs, that there may be equality. As it is written: Whoever had much did not have more, and whoever had little did not have less.

### Gospel – Mark 5:21-43

When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a large crowd gathered around him, and he stayed close to the sea. One of the synagogue officials, named Jairus, came forward. Seeing him he fell at his feet and pleaded earnestly with him, saying, “My daughter is at the point of death. Please, come lay your hands on her that she may get well and live.” He went off with him, and a large crowd followed him and pressed upon him. There was a woman afflicted with haemorrhages for twelve years. She had suffered greatly at the hands of many doctors and had spent all that she had. Yet she was not helped but only grew worse. She had heard about Jesus and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak. She said, “If I but touch his clothes, I shall be cured.” Immediately her flow of blood dried up. She felt in her body that she was healed of her affliction. Jesus, aware at once that power had gone out from him, turned around in the crowd and asked, “Who has touched my clothes?” But his disciples said to Jesus, “You see how the crowd is pressing upon you, and yet you ask, ‘Who touched me?’” And he looked around to see who had done it. The woman, realizing what had happened to her, approached in fear and trembling. She fell down before Jesus and told him the whole truth.

He said to her, “Daughter, your faith has saved you. Go in peace and be cured of your affliction.” While he was still speaking, people from the synagogue official’s house arrived and said, “Your daughter has died; why trouble the teacher any longer?” Disregarding the message that was reported, Jesus said to the synagogue official, “Do not be afraid; just have faith.” He did not allow anyone to accompany him inside except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. When they arrived at the house of the synagogue official, he caught sight of a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. So he went in and said to them, “Why this commotion and weeping? The child is not dead but asleep.” And they ridiculed him. Then he put them all out. He took along the child’s father and mother and those who were with him and entered the room where the child was. He took the child by the hand and said to her, “Talitha kum,” which means, “Little girl, I say to you, arise!” The girl, a child of twelve, arose immediately and walked around. At that they were utterly astounded. He gave strict orders that no one should know this and said that she should be given something to eat.

**An Act of Spiritual Communion** can help us and the priests we see online celebrating Mass in empty Churches frequently encourage us to ask for Our Lord’s guidance by offering prayers like this one written by St. Alphonsus Liguori in the 18th century.

**My Jesus,**

**I believe that you are present in this Holy Sacrament**

**of the altar. I love you above all things and I passionately desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,**

**come spiritually into my soul so that I may unite myself wholly**

**to you now and forever. Amen**

**300 Club 20<sup>th</sup> June:** £50 D Brighton (220). £25 D Brighton (155), A Lomas (177).

**Miss Mercedes Mena RIP.** Funeral Service on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> July at Gilroes Cemetery followed by cremation. Our deepest and sincere condolences to her family and friends.



**Please remember in your prayers all the sick and housebound people of the parish.**

**News from Justice & Peace and Caritas 26<sup>th</sup> Edition of the Diocesan Grapevine - Go to <https://www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/whats-on/grapevine-e-bulletin>**

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**The Word and the Common Good...** An interactive online course offered by the Diocese over six Monday evenings in June and July. As life starts afresh after lockdown, it's a rare opportunity to sow seeds of the Gospel. Discover how Scripture and Catholic Social Teaching can help us seize this moment and build a society that reflects God's Kingdom Build bridges following a year of social distancing and foster a new 'culture of encounter' Form new friendships, renew old ones, and help to build our parish communities for mission. The sessions begin on Monday 7th June at 7.00 pm for six weeks - come to as many as you are available for. For more information visit [dioceseofnottingham.uk/here-now-us](http://dioceseofnottingham.uk/here-now-us) and follow the link to book.

**Do you have any Wrens in your family?** We are not referring to the tiny, feathered variety in the garden but the indomitable ladies who joined the Women's Royal Naval Service, specifically, ladies who joined up between 1946 and 1981 and did their basic training at Training Depot Burghfield, HMTE Burghfield, HMTE Dauntless, HMS Dauntless Reading. Dauntless Divisional Photos is a worldwide project, in collaboration with the Association of Wrens, to gather divisional photographs and memories from those training days but also to reunite ladies with old friends, share anecdotes and relive exciting moments. So if you, your mum, granny, aunt, godmother or even next door neighbour donned a blue suit and aimed for a life on the ocean waves, please get in touch on either [ddpwrens@gmail.com](mailto:ddpwrens@gmail.com) or telephone 07765 435295/0771 990 9844 Mandy Powell & Janette Crisp (Project Coordinators).



**[Volunteer Forum](#)** Thursday, 1 July 6:30pm-7:30pm. Hear from CAFOD Director Christine Allen and Head of Advocacy, Communication and Education Neil Thorns about CAFOD's challenges, joys and achievements of the past year and about our hopes for the future. Followed by mass. [Register](#) to join us.

**[Volunteers Mass with Fr Mark Odion](#)** Thursday, 1 July 7:30pm-8:30pm. Join us for a special Volunteer's Mass celebrated by Fr Mark Odion, to give thanks for our wonderful volunteers who have given so much to support our sisters and brothers around the world. [Register](#) to join us.

And finally ...A Big Thank You for all your generous help during the past year. I look forward to sharing our stories and experiences with you this month.

**Parish Finances.** A letter from the Diocesan Finance Secretary has been received by all parishes in the Diocese. The letter has been sensitively written, aware and empathising with many Parishioners, whose jobs may not be there for them, and the resulting consequences for many in the future. He also writes about Parish income at this time, with our Church doors closed and no public services, no Masses on Sundays, no Parish income. He is fully aware that Churches and Church property has to be maintained, that bills will have to be paid etc. etc., and all this despite no regular parish income at this time. He realises that many parishes may struggle. He has suggested that perhaps Parishioners, who are regular givers to the Church plate, either by weekly envelope or by cash directly into the Collection basket, might consider, if they are in a position to do so, of paying by direct debit from their bank account. This would ensure a continuous income for the parish on a weekly basis, and would help to alleviate the current financial income for the Parish. For those who might like to do so, or to consider that possibility.

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Please include your name as a reference so that we know where the funds have come from and what they are for. Thank you for your attention and consideration to this possibility.