



Ordinariate and Parish Church

MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD

*a Catholic Parish in the Archdiocese of Southwark
in the Pastoral Care of the Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham*



SAINTS PETER & PAUL

30th June 2024



In the gospel reading today, we hear that Christ promised to remain forever with his Church through Peter the head of the apostles. The Lord rescued Peter from the hatred of Herod and always comes to the aid of his Church against which the forces of evil will never win. Paul is the apostle of the Gentles so the Good News is spread throughout the whole world. Christ is with us too as we witness to his power in our lives. In this way we pray that the world may learn to believe in Jesus Christ.

The Sacred Heart of Jesus month ends today. Do you have an image of the Sacred Heart in your home? Some images are available at the back of Church.

July is the month of the Most Precious Blood.

Our dedication festival is 1st July. Although built in 1892, the church was consecrated in 2019. We are five going-on 132!

Sunday Missal order has been placed! They are not yet printed, but will be available after 14th October.

Accommodation sought by a young family to stay in the parish. See FrC for info

In Case of Emergency cards are available at the back of Church.

The Internet is full good things, and things which are not so good. If you struggle with certain sites, take a look at strive21.com

The General Election is Thursday this week. It's part of our Catholic Social Conscience to take part in civil elections, so please be sure to vote. And don't forget you'll need some identification. Inform your decision making, and vote for the most Catholic candidate.

A Year of Jubilee for 2025 was announced by Pope Francis recently. There are many Graces. He also asks for more Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. More to follow...

Our Choir has taken a turn! We are grateful to the young lads who have come to swell the ranks. Keep listening for imminent developments.

First Saturday Mass of OLW this week, 10.30. Come and make a spiritual pilgrimage to Walsingham.

Catholic History Walk today at 15.00 from MPB. To stay cool, we will cross London Bridge and walk along the river path... finishing at St JHN's birthplace.

Parish Quiz Night in aid of Radio Maria: *Monarchs, Saints and Mysteries*. This Friday, 5th July 18.30. Suggested donation £10 covers light meal and drink... or two.

Going away? Don't forget to plan where you'll go to Mass if away on a Sunday; and to bless the place where you stay when you arrive.

Warmer weather means fewer cloths! A gentle reminder to dress *appropriately* in Church for Holy Mass.

Central Heating is the last thing on our minds at the moment. However Mass is offered on Wednesday this week for those intentions given to pay for the floor which went on top of the under-floor heating. They are listed in the Lady Chapel.



St Peter & St Paul.

Veneration of the two great Apostles, Peter and Paul, has its roots in the very foundations of the Church. Usually celebrated on 29th June, their feast is so important that when it falls on a Saturday or Monday, it's transferred to the Sunday. They are the solid rock on which the Church is built. They are at the origin of her faith and will forever remain her protectors and her guides. To them Rome owes her true greatness, for it was under God's providential guidance that they were led to make the capital of the Empire, sanctified by their martyrdom, the centre of the Christian world whence should radiate the preaching of the Gospel.

St Peter's original name was Simon. Christ Himself gave him the name Cephas: the Rock. Born in Bethsaida, his house often became the scene of miracles, because Jesus would stay there whenever he was teaching in that locality. Together with his brothers John and Andrew, Peter belonged to the first of Jesus' disciples.

After the miraculous haul of fish on the Sea of Galilee, Peter received his definitive call and everything to take his place as leader of the Twelve and we find him continually at Jesus' side. His temperament often led him into hasty, unpremeditated words and actions; his denial of Jesus during the passion was a salutary lesson. It accentuated a weakness in his character and made him humble. After the ascension, Peter always took the leading role, exercising the office of chief shepherd that Christ had entrusted to him. He delivered the first sermon on Pentecost and received the first Gentiles into the Church. Paul went to Jerusalem "to see Peter." It is certain that Peter went to Rome as an apostle, that he was the city's first bishop, and that he died there as a martyr,

bound to an upside-down cross. According to tradition he also was the first bishop of Antioch. He is the author of two letters, the first Papal encyclicals. His burial place is Christendom's most famous shrine, the Vatican, an edifice around whose dome are inscribed the words: *Tu es Petrus, et super hanc petram aedificabo ecclesiam meam.*

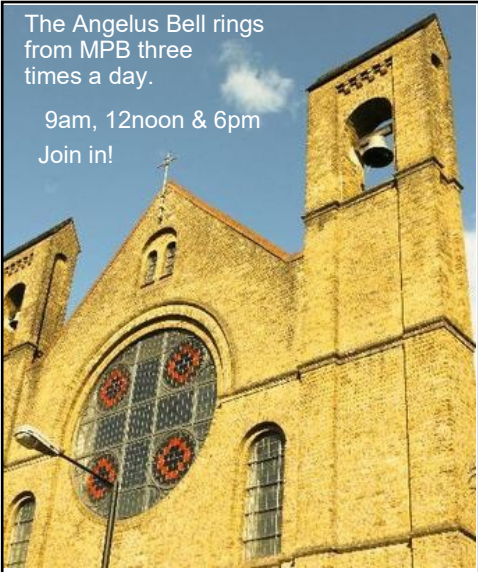
St. Paul, known as Saul (his Roman name) before his conversion, was born at Tarsus in the Roman province of Cilicia. He was the son of Jewish parents who belonged to the tribe of Benjamin. As a youth he went to Jerusalem to become immersed in the Law, and became a tent-maker. At the time of Jesus' ministry he no longer was in Jerusalem, so did not see the Lord during his earthly-life. Paul became a bitter opponent of Christianity. On the way to Damascus God effected his conversion. He preached the gospel in Cyprus and Asia Minor, Europe and founding churches at Philippi, Thessalonica (his favourite), Berea, Athens, Corinth and Ephesus; and attended the Council of Jerusalem. He returned to for a fifth time (Pentecost, 58), where he was seized by the Jews and accused of condemning the Law. After being held as a prisoner for two years at Caesarea, he appealed to Caesar and was sent by sea to Rome (60 A.D.). Shipwrecked and delayed on the island of Malta, he arrived at Rome in the spring of 61 and passed the next two years in easy confinement before being released. The last years of the saint's life were devoted to missionary excursions, probably including Spain, and to revisiting his first foundations. In 66 he returned to Rome, was taken prisoner, and beheaded a year later. His fourteen letters are a precious legacy; they afford a deep insight into a great soul.

A plenary indulgence may be gained today by anyone who makes devout use of a religious article blessed by a bishop and who also recites any approved profession of faith (e.g. the Apostles Creed), as long as the usual conditions are satisfied.

Sts Peter and Paul, pray for us!

Summer  Fete
St Peter's Residence
 12-4pm Saturday 6th of July
Little Sisters of the Poor
 2A Meadow Road London SW8 1QH
 food and drinks, bric-a-brac, clothes, books, live entertainment, fun for children
 tombola, raffles, entrance £1, all for a great cause, registered charity No. 234434

The Angelus Bell rings from MPB three times a day.
 9am, 12noon & 6pm
 Join in!



March for Life UK
 Saturday 7th September
 LONDON
SPREAD THE WORD
 2024 THEME
Abortion isn't Healthcare



Preparing for Mass is almost as important as being at Mass. We Catholics are invited to Mass every Sunday to have an encounter with the Lord Jesus. So:

- ✘ read the Bible Readings before you come: it's surprising how they hear once we've read them.
- ✘ arrive in good time to 'collect yourself' and be more available for what the Lord has in store for you.
- ✘ don't talk during Mass! As well as disturbing others who are trying to pray, it moves our focus to ourselves rather than the Lord.
- ✘ ah, and remember to say *Thank You* to God for the gift of Jesus in his Word and Sacrament.



“ God loved the world so much, he gave his only Son ”
John 3:16

QUIZ NIGHT
 Monarchs, Saints and Mysteries
 Friday 5th July 2024
LONDON



An Offering to the Sacred Heart
 My God, I offer You all my prayers, works, joys, and sufferings in union with the Sacred Heart of Jesus, for the intentions for which He pleads and offers Himself in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, in thanksgiving for Your favours, in reparation for my sins, and in humble supplication for my temporal and eternal welfare, for the needs of our holy Mother the Church, for the conversion of sinners, and for the relief of the poor souls in purgatory. Amen.

This Week: Mass & intentions

Day	Time	Intention
This Sunday <i>SAINTS PETER & PAUL</i>	09.30 11.00	Parishioner killed in war ✕ Parishioners
<i>Mon</i> 1st <i>Dedication (2019)</i>		
<i>Tue</i> 2nd <i>feria</i>	13.05	Blessings for Joe
<i>Wed</i> 3rd <i>St Thomas, the Apostle</i>	13.05	Floor intentions <i>see Lady Chapel</i>
<i>Thurs</i> 4th (<i>St Elizabeth of Portugal</i>)	13.05	Peter Calvert ✕ <i>recently</i>
<i>Fri</i> 5th (<i>St Anthony Zaccaria</i>)	13.05	DG & & special intention
<i>Sat</i> 6th (<i>of Our Lady of Walsingham</i>)	10.30†	Walsingham
Next Sunday <i>MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD - Dedication</i>	09.30 11.00	Parishioners on War Plaque Parishioners

Next Week's Readings Exodus 24:3-8 1 John 5:4-8 John 19:31-37

Sacrament of Confession. Tuesday - Friday 12.30-12.55

† **Mass in the Ordinariate Use** of the Roman Rite

Last week: £929.35 (*cash £108.35; card £101; standing orders £720*) **Thank you**

Safeguarding. The parish is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and vulnerable adults and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. Safeguarding Officers: Richard Hughes, Justina Onuorah. 03330 509296

Holy Father's Intention for July 2024: *For the pastoral care of the sick*

We pray that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick confer to those who receive it and their loved ones the power of the Lord and become ever more a visible sign of compassion and hope for all.

For your prayers:

Newly ordained: Bishop David Waller

In priestly formation: Br Philip OP (Jeff Gerlomes), Dn Timothy Ezat

Peace: In Ukraine, in the Holy Land, Syria

Those who are Sick: Mary, Monica, Chi Chi, Anne Marie, Rita, Chris, Richard, Hermon, Alastair, Amaogechi Martina, Sharon

Recently Departed: David Boundy *priest*

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