

*Rest in Peace*



Please pray for  
**Kenneth Burgum**  
**Margaret Bolger**

*We extend our sympathy and prayers to their families*

**UCM**

Meeting on **Monday 1st July**. Rosary in Church at 1.45 pm followed by a meeting in the Parish Centre. Members Bi-monthly Mass on **Wednesday 10th July**, 7.30 pm at Blessed Sacrament. Meet in Church car park at **6.45 pm** prompt.

**Chaplaincy Volunteer Roles**

The Catholic Chaplaincy to the Liverpool Hospitals (The Royal, Broadgreen, and Aintree) are looking for volunteers to join their team. If you are interested in this rewarding opportunity, please contact Fr Peter by email on [peter.murphy@rlbuht.nhs.uk](mailto:peter.murphy@rlbuht.nhs.uk) or by calling 0151 706 2828.

**Wednesday Coffee Morning Crafts**

For anybody interested in doing crafts, please come along to our Wednesday coffee mornings after Mass in the parish centre. Cath Woods will be doing a variety of crafts each week.

**Food Bank**

In addition to food donations, a total of **£232.34** in cash donations was received last weekend. Due to your continued generosity and support, both the Irenaeus Project in Waterloo and St Leonard's in Bootle each received **£116.17** last week.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:  
Saturday 11.30 am to 12 noon**

**Please pray for those  
Parishioners  
who are sick**



- Tia Berry
- Kay Chadwick
- Jeremy Conlon
- Patricia Cuddihy
- Bill Cunningham
- Catherine Delbridge
- Annie Donoghue
- Teresa Feury
- Madeleine Fitzpatrick
- Theresa Hoole
- Betty Hughes
- James Homes
- David Jones
- Joan Jones
- Baby Logan Jones
- Raffie Keating
- Terry Kinsella
- Iris Liptrot
- Miriam Lucy
- Margaret Macbryde
- Patricia (Pat) Madden
- Sr. Marie
- John McAuley
- Joseph Orr
- Helen Owens
- Ethel Pollock
- June Roberts
- Cathy Sing
- Megan Squire
- Helen Stewart
- James (Jimmy) Sutton
- Sarah Thomson
- Marie Tobin
- Pat Tulloch
- John Urbanka
- Patricia Vogel
- Robina Walker
- Angela Woods
- Busia Wozniak
- Krystyna Zajac



**NEWSLETTER**

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**Parish Administrator:** Antonia Gorman

**SOLEMNITY OF SAINTS PETER & PAUL (B)**

**30 June 2024**

**Masses and Other Services**

**Sunday 30th June**

**SOLEMNITY OF SAINTS PETER & PAUL**

- 6.30 pm (Sat) People of the Parish
- 9.30 am Agnes McCall (Birthday Remembrance)
- 11.30 am Kathleen Thomas (Anniv)

**Tuesday 2nd July**

- 9.30 am Patrick Tait (L.D)

**Wednesday 3rd July**

**FEAST OF ST THOMAS**

- 9.30 am Gordon Macbryde (Anniv)

**Thursday 4th July**

- 9.30 am Donald Bravin (RIP)

**Friday 5th July**

- 9.30 am Margaret Murray (Anniv)

**Sunday 7th July**

**FOURTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME**

- 2.30 pm (Sat) Wedding Service - Danielle Woods & Adam Byrne
- 6.30 pm (Sat) Rose Ann Kennedy (Anniv)
- \* 9.30 am Julia Connell (L.D)
- 11.30 am People of the Parish

**Please note, there is no 9.30 am Mass on Monday 1st July**

**\* St George's Music Group**

### Save Our Kitchen

The total raised so far towards our new kitchen in the parish centre, now stands at a fantastic **£2.623.54**.

For anybody who wishes to join us on our sponsored walk this Saturday, but hasn't signed up, please feel free to come along and join us. We will begin with morning prayer at **9.00 am** in Church.

### Peter's Pence Collection

This weekend there will be a special collection for Peter's Pence.

Offerings to the Holy Father through the Peter's Pence collection are destined to Church needs, humanitarian initiatives and social promotion projects, as well as to the support of the Holy See.

### Parish Website

In the news section of the website this week, Carmel and Paul Gresham share their story of Buen Camiino.

Part 2 of guidance given by the Bishops Conference on issues to discuss with potential parliamentary candidates

If any parishioners would like to share a story, please email Paul on [stgeorgesweb@yahoo.com](mailto:stgeorgesweb@yahoo.com)

### Readers

**7/7 6.30 pm** Noreen McGinnity  
**9.30 am** Emily Parr  
**11.30 am** Steve Crummey

### Eucharistic Ministers

**7/7 6.30 pm** Carol Cahill  
**9.30 am** Maria Caton  
**11.30 am** Jean McDonald

### Ministry of Welcome

**30/6 6.30 pm** Phil Walsh  
**9.30 am** Kathy Buck  
Fiona Owen  
**11.30 am** Christine Orr  
Margaret Howard  
**7/7 6.30 pm** Noreen McGinnity  
**9.30 am** Mike & Bernie Gardner  
**11.30 am** Tony & Pat Snape

### Cleaning

**1/7 Team 5** M/s Douglas, Green, O'Brien, Edwards, Goodfellow  
**8/7 Team 1** M/s Tomlinson, Wadkin, Sullivan

### Counting

**30/6 Team 1** Jo Pearson, Jan & Tony Short  
**7/7 Team 2** John Carlin, Marie Woods

These two great saints of the early days of the church, Peter and Paul, and the stormy relationship between them, express one of the great tensions in the life of the church: are we here to care for and build up the community of those who are like us, or are we meant to be reaching out to everyone in the whole world?

To begin with, Peter was very open to welcoming all kinds of people into the family of the followers of Jesus – he even had a vision that led him to make the wonderful statement 'the truth I have now come to realise is that God has no favourites' - but he soon bowed to pressure from those who didn't want Gentiles included. Paul, who had been a persecutor of the Church, was so convinced that God wanted everyone brought into the fold that he argued with Peter and called him a hypocrite, and he dedicated his whole life to bringing the Good News to people of every race.

The leaders of today's church are faced with a similar dilemma: do we put all our energy into looking after the dwindling numbers of people who still come to Mass, or can we find a new way of reaching out the millions of people who have never heard of Jesus, or who, although they've been baptised, have so lost touch with the faith that it is no longer a driving force in their lives?

This question is made even shaper by the pandemic, with some parishes focussing on looking after their own members and others reaching out to those on those who are suffering most. The creativity that has blossomed during the pandemic has been a great source of hope - with musicians and readers recording in isolation and miraculously (as far as I'm concerned) producing combined tracks , people starting up Facebook pages and WhatsApp groups, as well as those ringing keeping in contact by phone or socially distanced visits with those who are isolated. While the need for some of these feats of technology may fade with the re-opening of churches other initiatives, such as the livestreaming for the housebound, online groups and social media contacts, must surely continue.

There's no question which side of the debate Pope Francis is on: he wants us to be an evangelising church, a church that is bruised and dirty from being out on the streets rather than sick from being confined in its own space. Of course we need to look after those who are faithful members of the church but the best way to do that is to encourage them to become fully committed to bringing the message of God's love and forgiveness to everyone.

As we cautiously begin to open up our churches for worship we're called to think again about the welcome we offer to those who may be searching for love and for meaning.

As we thank God for these two great apostles, let's keep in mind the challenge pope Francis has set In his letter The Joy of the Gospel: 'I dream of a "missionary option", that is a missionary impulse capable of transforming everything, so that the Church's customs, ways of doing things, times and schedules, language and structures can be suitably channelled for the evangelisation of today's world rather than for her self-preservation.'

*Fr. Chris*