

STS PETER & PAUL'S

CATHOLIC PARISH SOUTH MELBOURNE

Under the Pastoral care of the Capuchin Friars

28th June 2020



13th Sunday Ordinary Time (A)

To Find Our Lives

The Liturgy this week continues to instruct us in the elements of discipleship. We're told that even the humblest among us have a share in the mission Christ gives to His Church.

We're not all called to the ministry of the Apostles, or to be prophets like Elisha in today's First Reading. But each of us is called to a holy life (see **2 Timothy 1:9; 1 Thessalonians 4:3**).

At Baptism our lives were joined forever to the cross of Christ, as Paul tells us in today's Epistle. Baptized into His death, we're to renounce sin and live for God in Christ Jesus.

We are to follow Him, each of us taking up our personal cross, as Jesus says in today's Gospel. That doesn't mean we will all be asked to suffer a martyr's death. But each of us is called to self-denial, to the offering of our lives in service of God's plan.

Jesus must be elevated to first place in our lives—above even our closest bonds of kinship and love. By Baptism, we've been made part of a new family—the kingdom of God, the Church. We are to proclaim that kingdom with our lives, bringing our fathers and mothers, and all men and women, to live as “little ones” under the fatherhood of God and the kingship of the Holy One.

We do this by opening our hearts and homes to the service of the Lord, following the Shunnamite woman's example in today's First Reading. As Jesus tells us, we're to receive others—not only prophets but also little children, the poor, and the imprisoned—as we receive Christ Himself (see **Matthew 18:5; 25:31–46**).

As we sing in today's Psalm, we are to testify to His favours and kindness in our lives.

We're to hold fast to the promise—that if we have died with Christ, we shall also live, that if we lose our lives for His sake, we shall find our reward, and walk forever in His countenance.

Scott Hahn

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MASS TIMES

Sunday	10am
	11.45am
	5pm
Saturday (Vigil)	6pm
Mon–Thurs	8am
Wed	7pm
Friday	10am
Adoration (Fri)	10.30am
Saturday	10am

CONFESSION TIMES

Saturday	10.30am
	5.30pm

Do everything in love

-1 Corinthians 16:14

Thank You



Dear Tim,

Our parish would like to express a big thank you for all your hard work for the past 2 years around the open house and the church. All the improvement you bring to our open house back yard, the new fence, for all the trees that you removed for us and especially the new "St Francis Garden".

We would like to wish you all the best and success going back home to enjoy being with your family and friends. Fr John and Br Michael will miss your help and friendship and so will all of us. No doubt we will meet again in the future. Please do come and pop into the Open House and Sts Peter and Pauls next time you are in Melbourne.

*God Bless,
Sts Peter and Pauls Family,
South Melbourne*

Catholic Mission

Eden Gardens Children's Home – India

WeAreStillHere The Eden Gardens Children's Home in the north-east of India is usually home to over 250 children from remote areas, providing them with education, healthcare and faith formation, which they may otherwise not receive in their home villages



However, due to the COVID-19 lockdown in India there are 17 children, like eight-year-old Nathaniel who have no family to return to. These precious children rely on the Home to continue caring for their practical and pastoral needs. Your gift today can help ensure the home continues to provide for children like Nathaniel, contributing towards everyday costs such as food and healthcare. Please go to catholicmission.org.au/mission to support children like Nathaniel through life-giving mission programs today



FEAST OF THE WEEK

Solemnity of Saint Peter and Paul

29th June

When the Catholic Church affirms that the office of the Bishop of Rome corresponds to the will of Christ, she does not separate this office from the mission entrusted to the whole body of Bishops, who are also "vicars and ambassadors of Christ". The Bishop of Rome is a member of the "College", and the Bishops are his brothers in the ministry.

Whatever relates to the unity of all Christian communities clearly forms part of the concerns of the primacy. As Bishop of Rome I am fully aware, as I have reaffirmed in the present Encyclical Letter, that Christ ardently desires the full and visible communion of all those Communities in which, by virtue of God's faithfulness, his Spirit dwells. I am convinced that I have a particular responsibility in this regard, above all in acknowledging the ecumenical aspirations of the majority of the Christian Communities and in heeding the request made of me to find a way of exercising the primacy which, while in no way renouncing what is essential to its mission, is nonetheless open to a new situation.

For a whole millennium Christians were united in "a brotherly fraternal communion of faith and sacramental life ... If disagreements in belief and discipline arose among them, the Roman See acted by common consent as moderator".

In this way the primacy exercised its office of unity. When addressing the Ecumenical Patriarch His Holiness Dimitrios I, I acknowledged my awareness that "for a great variety of reasons, and against the will of all concerned, what should have been a service sometimes manifested itself in a very different light. But ... it is out of a desire to obey the will of Christ truly that I recognize that as Bishop of Rome I am called to exercise that ministry ... I insistently pray the Holy Spirit to shine his light upon us, enlightening all the Pastors and theologians of our Churches, that we may seek—together, of course—the forms in which this ministry may accomplish a service of love recognized by all concerned".

John Paul II, Encyclical letter ***Ut unum sint***, On commitment to Ecumenism
. 25.05.1995.

Please remember in your prayers and Masses the following people who are ill:

Sr Annunciata, Valda Hogan, Flo O'Hara, Sr Joyce Stewart, Peter Wood, Vandersman Family, Joanne Kilmer, Liliana Bobadilla, Ruby Roxa, Eunice Costa, Richard Fennessy, Giovanna Santarossa, James Burnes, James Atkins, Jeff Martin, Naomi McSweeney, Alison Fraser, Richard, Miles Buntleski, Colin Crawford, Frank O'Connor, Maria Cimino, Teresa Sheehan.

Feast of St Peter & Paul.



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 the friends of God.

1st Reading – Acts of the Apostles 12:1-11

We hear how Peter is in chains – he is being stopped by Herod from doing the work God wants. The church prayed and God freed him from prison to continue the job of leading others to freedom.

Responsorial Psalm

The angel of the Lord will rescue those who fear him.

I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall be ever in my mouth.
Let my soul glory in the Lord; the lowly will hear me and be glad.

Glorify the Lord with me, let us together extol his name. I sought the Lord, and he answered me and delivered me from all my fears.

Look to him that you may be radiant with joy, and your faces may not blush with shame. When the poor one called out, the Lord heard, and from all his distress he saved him.

The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him and delivers them. Taste and see how good the Lord is; blessed the man who takes refuge in him.

The angel of the Lord will rescue those who fear him.

2nd Reading – 2 Timothy 4:6-8. 17-18

We hear how St. Paul has laboured hard and long to spread Christ's message to the pagans. He now looks forward to his reward in God's Kingdom.

Alleluia, Alleluia.

You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my church; the gates of hell will not hold out against it. Alleluia!

Gospel – Matthew 16:13-19

St Peter, leader and spokesman for the apostles, acclaims Christ as the son of God. Jesus then outlines Peter's task in the Church.

Next week's readings:	1 st	Zechariah 9:9-10
	2 nd	Romans 8:9, 11-13
	Gospel	Matthew 11:25-30

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

We pray together:

We pray for Pope Francis and his college of bishops, that like the apostles Peter and Paul they will never cease to proclaim the gospel boldly.

We pray for those who serve in our parish ministries of worship and witness. May our mutual service lead us to be able to bring forth the fruits of the Kingdom in using "things both new and old" from God's storeroom.

We pray in thanksgiving for the religious communities who have worked within our parish community throughout our history. Their presence has been part of the threads that have weaved the structure of our parish tapestry for 166 years.

Lord, we pray for all the Peter's & Paul's of the Church. May they work together in harmony to lead all people to know and love the Gospel.

Lord, we remember with compassion our family and friends who have gone before us. Hold them in your keeping, especially those who have died recently Margaret Quinnell, and those whose anniversaries occur about this time Mary Moloughney, Marjory Williams, Roger Cooney, Marita Mulcahy, John Matthews.

Collections : June 27/28, 2020

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Online per week (May): \$1105

1st Collection goes to the Friars, and the 2nd collection goes to the running costs of the Parish.

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Sat 27	Andy
Sun 28	Mario & Gerry
Sat 4	Janet
Sun 5	Olwen & Michele