

Proclaim '15 – Westminster '15 Fr David writes: On Saturday 11 July, Bishop Nicholas has asked me to take part in a national conference for *Proclaim '15*. I would like to share some important information about this initiative with you. We will be hearing more about it in the months to come:

'In 2015 a significant evangelisation initiative called *Proclaim '15* is being launched to support, inspire and encourage new expressions of parish evangelisation. A project of the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales, it is designed to affirm the good work that is already being done by the Catholic community, and to provide resources and events to profile and develop new expressions of Catholic joy and missionary outreach. A major highlight of what is being offered is the organisation of a National Catholic Evangelisation Conference on 11 July 2015.'

For the feast of Saints Peter and Paul

'In front of Saint Peter's Basilica, as is well known, there are two imposing statues of Saint Peter and Saint Paul, easily recognizable by their respective attributes: the keys in the hand of Peter and the sword held by Paul. Christian tradition has always considered Saint Peter and Saint Paul to be inseparable: indeed, together, they represent the whole Gospel of Christ. In Rome, their bond as brothers in the faith came to acquire a particular significance. Indeed, the Christian community of this City considered them a kind of counterbalance to the mythical Romulus and Remus, the two brothers held to be the founders of Rome. A further parallel comes to mind, still on the theme of brothers: whereas the first biblical pair of brothers demonstrate the effects of sin, as Cain kills Abel, yet Peter and Paul, much as they differ from one another in human terms and notwithstanding the conflicts that arose in their relationship, illustrate a new way of being brothers, lived according to the Gospel, an authentic way made possible by the grace of Christ's Gospel working within them. Only by following Jesus does one arrive at this new brotherhood: this is the first and fundamental message that today's solemnity presents to each one of us, the importance of which is mirrored in the pursuit of full communion, so earnestly desired by the Bishop of Rome, as indeed by all Christians.'

Pope Benedict XVI, 2012

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Solemnity of St Peter and St Paul, Apostles

Sunday 28th June 2015

1st Reading
2nd Reading
Gospel

Acts 3:1-10 Page 170
Galatians 1 :11-20 Page 170
John 21 :15-19 Page 171

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Sat 27 June	6.30pm	People of Nepal
Sun 28 June	10.00am	John Bryan (RIP)
	6.30pm	Denice Line – nee Smith (RIP)
Mon 29 June	9.00am	Richard and Emma Westbrook
Tue 30 Jun	9.00am	Derek Hoy (RIP)
Wed 1 Jul	9.00am	People of the Parish
Thur 2 Jul	9.00am	Priest's Intentions
Fri 3 Jul	9.00am	Priest's Intentions
Sat 4 Jul	6.30pm	Intention of the Paris Family
Sun 5 Jul	10.00am	William John Cooper (RIP)
	6.30pm	Gertie Murphy (RIP)

Holy Hour: Tuesdays 9.30-10.30am

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 6.00pm

In light of the Data Protection Act 1998, please indicate on entering hospital that your details may be passed to the RC Chaplain. Also, state that you would like the RC Chaplain to visit you.



New Parishioners please fill in a registration form located at the back of the church and make yourself known to Fr David.

Please pray for the sick in the Parish, especially: Bridie McGuinness, Monica Ryan, Chrissie Long, Eileen Gallagher, Kate McCarthy, Fraser McDonald, Sabrina Pillai, Maggie James, Dan McAlinden, Kevin Ashby, Peggy Duggan, Mary Wallace, Maureen & Dennis Franey.

Weekly Offertory (Loose Plate & Envelopes): £527 Standing Orders (weekly): £702

FR DAVID WRITES:

Today we celebrate the ancient feast of the holy apostles, **Peter and Paul**. St Peter, originally called Simon from Capernaum in Galilee, was the first among the Lord's disciples. Paul, originally Saul, began as a Pharisee who persecuted the Church but after his conversion became the greatest Christian teacher of the nations. Both fulfilled the Lord's prophecy that they would spread the Gospel, 'to the very ends of the earth' when they went to Rome. It was there, capital of the ancient empire, that Peter became the first leader (bishop) of the Christians in Rome. It was also there that they gave the ultimate witness for their friendship with Jesus, giving their lives as martyrs. In about the year 65, Peter was executed by crucifixion near the Vatican Hill, and Paul was killed with the sword. Rome immediately became a place of pilgrimage and veneration for the shrines of the two greatest apostles. They became the patron saints of the city and the Church of Rome. Today we honour their courageous witness of faith and love. We unite ourselves spiritually with the successor of St Peter, Pope Francis, who is the 266th bishop of Rome. We rejoice in our Catholic faith, which is built upon the solid rock and the keys of Peter, and the teaching of Paul.

Thank you to everyone who has already brought items for the forthcoming **Summer Fayre** on the weekend of 5 July. We are still looking for many items, including unwanted gifts, toys, and cakes. We especially need more bottles for the bottle stall and prizes for the tombola. Please bring to the Parish Office **this week**. Many thanks.

I hope you have a wonderful feast day today, and I wish you every blessing for the coming week.

Fr David.

Peter's Pence – Today there will be second collection at all Masses for Peter's Pence. This is the international collection that goes to the Holy See and is specifically used by the Pope in the administration of the Roman Church and in donations to charitable and humanitarian causes.

Congratulations – to Matthew Bennett and Mireille Sirvain, and to Mario Milavec and Fiorella Paveri who were married here at St Patrick's this weekend.

Summer Fayre – Our Summer Fayre will take place on Sunday 5 July, after the 10am Sunday Mass, next weekend. Any items can be brought to the Parish Office this week. We still need bottles, help for stalls, and baking cakes on the weekend of the fayre. Please see Jo or Lucy for more details or to volunteer.

Summer Lunch for Pensioners – This will take place on Monday 6 July, in the old school hall, free of charge. Please contact the Parish Office to sign up. We are grateful to the State Street Bank for helping to organise this event.

200 Club - if you would like to join for the coming year 2015/2016 it costs £5 per number per month. 4 numbers are drawn per month and we have 4 cash prizes. Please contact Jo in the Parish office for more details on 0207 481 2202 or joanncondon@rcdow.org.uk

Carmelite Prayer Group - The next session is Monday 13 July at 7.30pm.

Bingo for over 50s - in the Old School Hall. Next session Tuesday 7 July 1.30pm.

Under 7s Football - after the 10am morning Mass in Wapping Park. NB There will be no practice Sunday 28 June as the team are playing a friendly match at Haggerston Park. We wish them all the very best of luck with their first away match.

French Classes - for children aged 4/5 years (advanced speaking). Tuesday 28 June 3.45pm (Intermediate) 5pm (Beginners). Lessons will now take place in the back room of the church and not the sacristy as previously.

EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY AT ST PATRICK'S
LARGE PRINT HYMNALS AND MISSALS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE CHURCH.
PLEASE SPEAK TO A MEMBER OF THE PARISH TEAM IF YOU HAVE ANY SPECIAL NEEDS.
WHEELCHAIR ACCESS AT THE SIDE OF CHURCH