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Sunday 27th of June 2021

The 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Tuesday 29th June is the Feast of St Peter & St Paul

And is a Holy Day of Obligation

Our churches are open.

Masks must be worn unless exempt

2nd Collection for Peter Pence

Priest's Corner

FAITH AND THE POWER OF TOUCH.

Today, we meet two women in the gospel, both in desperate situations. One just entering her womanhood, the other, older than her and has suffered so much from her condition. The young one had a powerful father called Jairus to advocate for her before Jesus. The latter, anonymous and shamed by her condition seemed caught between the need to hide and her drive to flourish. Jairus, the father of the 12-year-old, fell before Jesus begging him to lay hands on his daughter. The older woman stole up behind Jesus, convinced that any contact with him would be suffice to heal her. Both the woman and the girl's father believed in the power of Jesus' touch, and both received its life-giving results. Often, we desire to touch the Lord; we desire to have Him touch us in our challenges, but we are afraid and timid. We doubt and worry, so much, that the worries deprive us of receiving the healing and Joy that the Love of God can bring to our situations. In today's Gospel, the Lord reminds us again with His words; "Do not be afraid, have faith". We must learn from the woman who has suffered from the issue of haemorrhages for 12 years. She took courage and touched the garment of Jesus even though she was afraid of both the Law and the rejection she may face. She has a radical faith that made her to trust in the healing power of Jesus beyond her storms. The same is also true of Jairus; he has a radical faith that made him believe in Jesus in the seemingly hopeless situation that was before her. No matter what we go through; God is standing for us and we pray for the gift of Faith to trust in Him in all things. Lord, touch me with your healing and cure me of every illness, both spiritual or Physical and help me to also touch others with your love. Amen. Father Leo.

News from St Richard's School

It has been a busy return to school and the children have been a hive of activity! There has been a focus on art with classes researching all about Vincent Van Gogh. They have produced some wonderful pieces of work, using different styles to represent the journey of learning throughout the school. Year 2 visited the Chapel of St Edmund on St Richard's Feast Day. This was an important visit as it was here that St Richard fell ill before moving to the Maison Dieu and passing away. The children learnt about how St Richard's heart is at rest in this Chapel, to remember him the Vice Principal laid flowers and the children had a silent moment of

reflection. Later on, this month, the school is converting St Richard's prayer into all the different languages we have in our wonderful school. A moment we are looking forward to. Colin Taylor. Headmaster.

Guitar Lessons at St Joseph's School

Students from Earth Class have been put through their paces learning guitar! This week they performed beautifully for their classmates. Well done all and thank you Mrs Asher for your hard work.



John Golden RIP

Please pray for John Golden from Aylesham, husband of Mary, who died on 25th May aged 86. His funeral will take place at St Finbarr's on 30th June at 11am. May He Rest in Peace.

2nd Collection for Peter Pence

The Bishops of the Church, and their people, join together to produce those means which the Holy Father and Apostolic See need to exercise works of mercy and charity. The Pope, being pastor of the whole Church, is attentive to the material needs of poor dioceses, religious institutes and the faithful in grave difficulties.

St Paul's Management Group

If you have any agenda items you would like to be considered for St Paul's management group zoom meeting on Wednesday 30th June, please email me at pgsdavidaevans@gmail.com. David Evans (Chairperson St Paul's Management Group)

Diocesan Catechist Meeting

This year there has been a cancellation of the annual Day for Catechists at St Georges. In its place catechists are invited to represent their parish at a **Diocesan Catechist Meeting, to be held on Zoom on Thursday 8th July, from 7:30pm-9:30pm**. This will give you the opportunity to meet others, including members of the new Agency for Evangelisation and Catechesis, and find out how we can work together to create a missionary diocese. To help us manage breakout rooms during the meeting, catechists will need to register individually before the meeting. The registration page is available at aec.rcaos.org.uk/catechesis-events

'Playlet' Project

We are seeking drama scripts of between 5 and 20 minutes in length concerning episodes in the life and career of Constantine the Great. These will then be moulded into a historical sequence (in modern dress) in order to create a single drama. If you are interested in collaborating on this project, please email: collaborative.direct@btinternet.com. Constantine is a fascinating figure, whose influence is still with us, in society and in the Church. He was one of the most powerful men that ever lived. This play will provide us with an opportunity to observe him in action. Jeremy Rowe

The Sunrise Cafe

Tasty food in a warm environment where everyone matters, everyone is valued, everyone is included and customers pay what they can afford. Open from 8am until 2pm Monday to Saturday from Monday 5th July. This is a community cafe where there is kindness, friendship, sharing and true community spirit with all meals being prepared, cooked and served by our experienced cooks and supported by our wonderful team of volunteers! Professionally run as a social enterprise for the benefit of the whole Dover community, we serve breakfast and lunch plus mid-morning coffee and cake. We operate a 'pay what you can afford' model so that no one goes hungry, and customers are asked to pay what they can afford. Our goal is to provide hearty food for all, including those who are hungry and struggling to put meals on the table for themselves or their families in the Dover area. Deacon Barry

Your Offertory via CollecTin

You can now give your Offertory Collection via our new CollecTin's in the porches of both churches. Please do consider using this method. If you are not sure how to use it please ask one of our Stewards, or go to the website and give your Offertory on line at <https://givealittle.co/campaigns/e8b66750-4ea0-478c-9ff7-53f823fdc306>

From Sue Woodall

Saturday 26th June I would have been married for 50 years. My husband Michael passed away very young and I have been widowed many years now, but I still treasure that day very much. I will be going to light a candle in the church and go to Mass that night and the following day Sunday is my birthday. Please say a prayer for me and my husband Michael RIP. Thank you, Sue.

Please pray for those who are unwell, especially Fr Jeff, Charlie Golden, Brendan Quinn, Tina Isaacs, Ray Deverson, Lucy Purbrick, Amanda Dennis, Jadon Michael Kalp, Denise Mastro, Tara Conklin, Jamie Chitwood ; Gail White, Peggy Merrell, Ryan Whittall, Denise Bishop, Sean O'Regan, Iris (Tilly) Ball, Jean Ann Dowle, Diane Jones, Nina Woolhouse, Ted Peel, Maureen & Joe Johnston, Christopher Browne, Angela, Ellen McGurk, Helen Davies, Christine Mackenzie, Chris Francis, Alice Wilson, Angela Henbrey, Julie Balston, Madison Woodall, Elisa Gomez Melero, Ann Tomalak, Cathy Huntley, Mary Nelson, Emin Jain, Pat Sherratt, June Kennett and those whose anniversaries occur at this time, Sylvia Mary Hogben, John Hogben, Fraser James McIntyre, Arthur Davies, Robert Baker; Jeremy Barker, David Grilli, Bernardino Di Adamo, Lilian Reeves, Arthur Blackman, John Rice, Jean Button, Teresa Beven, Anastasia Medhurst, Sr Bridie Costello DC, Fr Oscar Leake, Ann Worker, Hilder Driver, Daniel McGarry, Sr Teresa Devlin, Joan Maher, Sr. Celia Mary UJ, Wilfred Husk, Kathleen McLauchlan, James Goldsmith.

READINGS FOR SUNDAY 27TH JUNE 2021

First Reading **Wisdom 1:13-15,2:23-24**
God takes no pleasure in the extinction of the living
Death was not God's doing,
he takes no pleasure in the extinction of the living.
To be – for this he created all;
the world's created things have health in them,
in them no fatal poison can be found,
and Hades holds no power on earth;
for virtue is undying.
Yet God did make man imperishable,
he made him in the image of his own nature;
it was the devil's envy that brought death into the world,
as those who are his partners will discover.

Responsorial Psalm **Psalm 29(30):2,4-6,11-13**
I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me.

Second Reading **2 Corinthians 8:7,9,13-15**
The Lord Jesus became poor for your sake, to make you rich.
You always have the most of everything – of faith, of eloquence, of understanding, of keenness for any cause, and the biggest share of our affection – so we expect you to put the most into this work of mercy too. Remember how generous the Lord Jesus was: he was rich, but he became poor for your sake, to make you rich out of his poverty. This does not mean that to give relief to others you ought to make things difficult for yourselves: it is a question of balancing what happens to be your surplus now against their present need, and one day they may have something to spare that will supply your own need. That is how we strike a balance: as scripture says: The man who gathered much had none too much, the man who gathered little did not go short.

Gospel Acclamation **cf. Jn6:63,68**
Alleluia, alleluia!

**Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life;
you have the message of eternal life.**
Alleluia!

Gospel **Mark 5:21-43**

Little girl, I tell you to get up
When Jesus had crossed in the boat to the other side, a large crowd gathered round him and he stayed by the lakeside. Then one of the synagogue officials came up, Jairus by name, and seeing him, fell at his feet and pleaded with him earnestly, saying, 'My little daughter is desperately sick. Do come and lay your hands on her to make her better and save her life.' Jesus went with him and a large crowd followed him; they were pressing all round him. Now there was a woman who had suffered from a haemorrhage for twelve years; after long and painful treatment under various doctors, she spent all she had without being any the better for it, in fact, she was getting worse. She had heard about Jesus, and she came up behind him through the crowd and touched his cloak. 'If I can touch even his clothes,' she had told herself 'I shall be well again.' And the source of the bleeding dried up instantly, and she felt in herself that she was cured of her complaint. Immediately aware that power had gone out from him, Jesus turned round in the crowd and said, 'Who touched my clothes?' His disciples said to him, 'You see how the crowd is pressing round you and yet you say, "Who touched me?"' But he continued to look all round to see who had done it. Then the woman came forward, frightened and trembling because she knew what had happened to her, and she fell at his feet and told him the whole truth. 'My daughter,' he said 'your faith has restored you to health; go in peace and be free from your complaint.' While he was still speaking some people arrived from the house of the synagogue official to say, 'Your daughter is dead: why put the Master to any further trouble?' But Jesus had overheard this remark of theirs and he said to the official, 'Do not be afraid; only have faith.' And he allowed no one to go with him except Peter and James and John the brother of James. So they came to the official's house and Jesus noticed all the commotion, with people weeping and wailing unrestrainedly. He

went in and said to them, ‘Why all this commotion and crying? The child is not dead, but asleep.’ But they laughed at him. So he turned them all out and, taking with him the child’s father and mother and his own companions, he went into the place where the child lay. And taking the child by the hand he said to her, ‘Talitha,

kum!’ which means, ‘Little girl, I tell you to get up.’ The little girl got up at once and began to walk about, for she was twelve years old. At this they were overcome with astonishment, and he ordered them strictly not to let anyone know about it and told them to give her something to eat.

EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK AT ST PAUL’S

OUR CHURCHES ARE OPEN FOR MASS

	Saturday 26 th June	5pm 6pm	<i>Confessions in St Paul’s Presbytery (until 5.45pm) (Fr Leo)</i> <i>Mass for G/E of Liz Haymer (Colin Watkins) (Fr Leo)</i>
	Sunday 27 th June	9.15am 11.30am 3pm	<i>Mass for Bernadino Di Adamo (Di Adamo Family) (Fr Leo)</i> <i>Mass for G/E of Grace Deane (Bridie Dodson) (Fr Leo)</i> <i>Exposition until 4pm</i>
	Monday 28 th June	10am	<i>Mass for Jimmy Hannigan RIP (Colin Watkins) (Fr Leo)</i>
St Peter and St Paul. Holy Day of Obligation	Tuesday	10am	<i>Mass for G/E Father Jeff (Marie) (Fr Leo)</i>
		7pm	<i>Mass for The Good Shepherd Building Project (Fr Leo)</i>
	Wednesday	10am 7pm	<i>Eucharistic Service</i> <i>Exposition until 8pm</i>
St Oliver Plunkett Bishop and Martyr, Tyburn.	Thursday	10am	<i>Mass for The Unemployed (Fr Leo)</i>
	Friday	10am	<i>Mass for Sister Paul (Sheila) (Fr Leo)</i>
St Thomas Apostle	Saturday	5pm 6pm	<i>Confessions in St Paul’s Presbytery (until 5.45pm) (Fr Leo)</i> <i>Mass for G/E of Mark Merrell (Sheila) (Fr Leo)</i>
		Sunday 4 th July	9.15am 11.30am 3pm

EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK AT ST FINBARR’S

OUR CHURCHES ARE OPEN FOR MASS

	Saturday	3pm	<i>Syro Malabar Mass</i>
	Sunday 27 th June	11.15am	<i>Mass for the work of the SVP Society (Fr Peter Geldard)</i>
St Peter and St Paul. Holy Day of Obligation	Tuesday	5pm	<i>Mass for the Sufferers of Long Covid (Fr Leo)</i>
		Wednesday	11am
St Thomas Apostle	Saturday	3pm	<i>Syro Malabar Mass</i>
	Sunday 4 th July	11.15am	<i>Mass for Christian Unity (Fr Leo)</i>

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