

### Those Covid Rules in full:

- The capacity of the church is 100 people: two people per bench, spaced at one metre apart, and one person per chair. (Families can sit together.)
- Please sanitise your hands on entry and exit.
- Please observe the one way system: up the middle, down the sides, especially at Holy Communion.
- There are no hymn books or Mass books.
- If you take a newsletter, please take it home with you.
- You are free to bring your own Missal with you.
- There is no Holy Water in the stoups.
- There is no congregational singing.
- The lavatories and the Church Hall are shut.
- The Church doors are to remain open to ventilate the building.
- Mass is shorter than usual.
- There are no Bidding Prayers.
- There is no procession of the Gifts to the altar and no passing around of the collection baskets.
- There is no sign of peace.
- The collection will be taken as you leave the church.
- Holy Communion will be received under one kind only.
- Communion must be given silently, avoiding any physical contact.
- Please remove your mask (if wearing one) to receive Holy Communion and do so at once.
- As you leave do not to linger in doorways or other 'choke points'.
- Once Mass is over the Church will be closed and cleaned.

- People are urged not to come to the sacristy before and after Mass, unless they are servers or sacristans.
- If social distancing of 3 metres is observed there is no need to wear face coverings. The Bishops urge face coverings where social distancing is reduced to one metre.
- The Bishops also urge readers to wear disposable gloves.

### Sick Parishioners

Please pray for; Jim McFarlane, Caroline Audy, Margaret Chapman, Vincent O' Rourke, Jim and Valerie Lee, Eileen Banks, Matthew Garcia, Beverley Coughlan, Sonia Wall, Dennis Tribe, Rosemary Kilcourse, Adrian Van Twest, Liz Perkins, Richard Martin, Sheila Coldicott, Charlotte and Jenny Essex.

### Please pray for our

#### Confirmation Candidates:

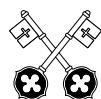
Christopher Amos, Cana Bamin, Niamh Brombley, Katie Collins, Kiana Emakpose, Eve Franks, Lucy Green, Megan Green, Sienna Healy-Andrews, Joseph Lewis, Laura Mabbott, Jimmy McIntosh, Martha Monis, Lily Nicholson, Martha Noble, Evanjelia Nolan, Louis O'Kane, Natalya Puchnarewicz, Janice Rose Sagna, Clara Shepherd-Thompson, Eve Silverstone, Ellie Tate, Patrick Williamson.

**Offertory Sunday 12 July:** £1, 312.19

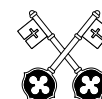
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### St. Peter's Catholic Church

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26 July 2020



**Seventeenth Sunday of the Year.**

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### Mass Intentions for the week starting 25 July

Sat 25 July 6pm Pat Winter RIP

Sun 26 July 8.30am Benefactors

Sun 26 July 10am Sophie Johnstone RIP

Sun 26 July 11.15am For all parishioners

Mon 27 July 10am Maggie Fitzgerald RIP

Tues 28 July 10am GE Jennie Lee

Wed 29 July 10am Private Intention

Thurs 30 July No Mass

Friday 31 July 10am GE Sheila Coldicott

Sat 1 August 11am Confirmation candidates

Sat 1 August 6pm Holy Souls

Sun 2 August 8.30am GE Evans family

Sun 2 August 10am For All parishioners

Sun 2 August 11.15am Ray Westgate RIP

### Today is the Seventeenth Sunday of the Year.

If you have a Missal the readings are from Year A. If you have a phone with internet connection, you can find the readings and all the prayers at [universalis.com](http://universalis.com) The first reading is from the first Book of the Kings and describes the way God offers a variety of gifts to Solomon, who chooses not worldly success, but the gift of discernment and judgement, what we usually term Wisdom, which, as it turns out is the most important gift of all, encompassing all other gifts, and the gift most pleasing to God. In the Gospel, we hear the parable of the man who finds treasure in a field, and who sells everything he owns so he may get hold of the field. We too need to set our priorities right. We need to judge rightly between good and evil, using our God-given consciences, so that we may do the right thing each time and so arrive at happiness. Shakespeare summed this up in his play The Merchant of Venice: 'All that glisters is not gold'. We need to have moral vision so we can see what is truly of value. Sadly, moral vision can be obscured as our consciences become deadened by poor judgement and repeated sins.

This week, please note, there is daily Mass, as usual at 10am, apart from Thursday. Please note that the Church will be open every morning when Mass is celebrated and closed at noon. The Church will also be open in the evening for Eucharistic Adoration from 6pm to 7pm apart from Wednesdays and Thursdays. Please check on the website if in doubt. Please note that on Saturday Mass is at 11am and is the second of four Masses of Confirmation. Please note that there will be no confessions at the usual time. However, Father Alexander is available for confessions during the hour of evening opening.

Father Alexander has been visiting the sick with a view to restarting his usual Holy Communion rounds of those who are housebound. Naturally, he is phoning them first, and some are still in isolation because of underlying conditions, but others are able to receive visitors, under the stringent guidelines that we are all observing. This is a good time to remember all those in nursing homes who have not had many visitors for a long time, including their nearest and dearest, and all the housebound who have been in deep isolation. It is also a good time to remember to alert your parish priest to anyone who may wish to be visited at home. Let us continue to support the sick in practical ways and in prayer!

**Liturgical Notes:**

July is the month dedicated to the Precious Blood of Our Lord, by which we are redeemed and saved. On days when there is no feast we will celebrate a Votive Mass of the Precious Blood. August is the month dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. On days when there is no feast in August we shall celebrate a Votive Mass of the Blessed Virgin. Wednesday is the feast of Saint Martha, patron saint of cooks. Friday is the feast of Saint Ignatius Loyola, founder of the Society of Jesus. Saturday is the feast of Saint Alphonsus Liguori, bishop and doctor of the Church, patron saint of moral theologians.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Kevin Murphy O’ Connor**, who died on Saturday 11 July in hospital. He had received the sacrament of the sick, and he received Holy Communion the day before he died. Many of you will remember the interesting time Kevin came to the social club and spoke about his childhood experiences growing up

with his cousin, our late Bishop, Cardinal Cormac Murphy O’Connor. May Kevin rest in peace, and may his family find comfort. The funeral will take place at Sacred Heart on Monday 27 July at 11.30am, with Fr Alexander celebrating. The change of venue is because the family wish the Mass to be streamed and Kevin sang in the Sacred Heart choir for many years.

**Let us pray for the repose of the soul of Dominic deGiulio** who died on 12 July. He was resident in Kingsway, and his funeral service will take place here at noon on Tuesday 28 July, followed by burial in Newhaven cemetery. Let us pray for his family at this sad time.

**We have heard the sad news that Danny Harrington**, who lived in Welbeck Avenue, died on Tuesday 21 July. He had received the Sacrament of the Sick, Holy Communion and the Apostolic Pardon. May he rest in peace. Funeral arrangements will be announced when known.

**Hall update**, by Vincent Joyce, our treasurer: In May our architect visited the church hall to take some more measurements and photographs before finalising the revised plans; revised because we have been persuaded to retain the gallery. The stud walls between the gallery posts will be removed to allow daylight into the hall. On June 10th an application was submitted to the council for full planning and listed building consent. Once we have that we shall be able to proceed with obtaining approval from The Historic Churches Committee (HCC). The church hall is a Grade 2 listed building along with the Church and Priest’s House, and it is the HCC that oversees all works that affect listed catholic buildings on behalf of the

government. At the end of July the pre-school will be vacating the hall so that we can make better use of it for parish activities, as well as access the kitchen and loos whenever we have mid-week services in the church, subject, of course to Covid restrictions.

**Our next baptism course** will be on Monday 17 August, at a location to be determined. If you have a baby to be baptised, please do get in touch with Fr Alexander to book yourself on the course.

**Times for Confessions:** Over the next few weeks, the First Holy Communion children are making their first confessions. The times are as follows for them, and everyone else who wishes to go to confession. One hopes at least one of these slots will be suitable for you! Remember, God is calling you to go to Confession, if you are reading this! (You are kindly asked to let the children go to the head of the queue, if there is one – one hopes there will be.)

- Saturday 25 July, 10.30am – 11am
- Monday 27 July 6-7pm
- Tuesday 28 July 6-7pm
- Friday 31 July 6-7pm
- Monday 3 August 6-7pm
- Tuesday 4 August 6-7pm
- Friday 7 August 6-7pm
- Monday 10 August 6-7pm
- Tuesday 11 August 6-7pm
- Friday 14 August 6-7pm
- Saturday 15 August 10.30am- 11am
- Saturday 22 August 10.30am-11am

Many thanks to all of you who are helping to keep the Church open and functioning during these trying times, either by stewarding, cleaning or in some other way. The rules and regulations are meant to reassure people that the Church is ‘safe’,

however, some may be put off by the rules too, especially the one that means that one cannot use the loos. Thank you all for your patience in this regard. Let us continue to pray that the pandemic continues to abate.

**Forthcoming events:**

Monday 27 July, 11.30am: Funeral Mass of Kevin Murphy O’Connor, at Sacred Heart.
Tuesday 28 July, noon: funeral of Dominic deGiulio.
Saturday 1 August, 11am and 1pm: Confirmation Masses.
Monday 3 August, 10am: Requiem for Marisa Bracco, RIP.
Saturday 8 August, 11am: Confirmation Mass.
Monday 17 August, 10am: Requiem for Frank McCauley, RIP
Monday 17 August, 8pm: Baptism course.
Saturday 22 August, 11am: Final First Holy Communion session.
Saturday 29 August, 11am: First Holy Communion Mass.
Saturday 29 August, 1pm: First Holy Communion Mass.
Saturday 5 September, 11am: First Holy Communion Mass.
Saturday 5 September, 1pm: First Holy Communion Mass.
Saturday 12 September, 11am: First Holy Communion Mass.
Saturday 12 September, 1pm: First Holy Communion Mass.

**The Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church** is a handbook of the Catholic faith in manageable form. You may remember in the past we looked at its section on the Eucharist and then on the Anointing of the Sick. We are now going to look at what it says about Prayer in the Christian Life, a very important subject. These extracts are for you to take away with you and ponder over. One hopes they are useful and informative.

536. How is Abraham a model of prayer? Abraham is a model of prayer because he walked in the presence of God, heard and obeyed him. His prayer was a battle of faith because he continued to believe in the fidelity of God even in times of trial. Besides, after having received in his own tent the visit of the Lord who confided his plan to him, Abraham dared to intercede for sinners with bold confidence.

537. How did Moses pray? The prayer of Moses was typical of contemplative prayer. God, who called to Moses from the burning bush, lingered in conversation with him often and at length, "face to face, like a man with his friend" (Exodus 33:11). In this intimacy with God, Moses attained the strength to intercede tenaciously for his people: his prayer thus prefigured the intercession of the one mediator, Christ Jesus.

538. In the Old Testament, what relationship do the king and the temple have to prayer? The prayer of the People of God developed in the shadow of the dwelling place of God – the Ark of the Covenant, then the Temple – under the guidance of their shepherds. Among them there was David, the King "after God's own heart," the shepherd who prayed for his people. His prayer was a model for the prayer of the people because it involved clinging to the divine promise and a trust filled with love for the One who is the only King and Lord.

**Reaching the Unreached**  
Newsletter is available on-line  
please email the office if you like a copy.

### Parish Notice Board

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