

St Thomas à Becket Catholic Church

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Nativity of St John the Baptist

24th June 2018

They shared her joy

Mass Times

23rd Sat Feria	9.30	17.30 Edward Kane +
24th Sun Nativity of St John the Baptist	10.00	15.00 (Royal Hospital) <i>People of the Parish</i>
25th Mon Feria	9.30	
26th Tue Feria	9.30	Michael Lamb +
27th Wed Feria	9.30	Leeza and Rhaman
28th Thu St Irenaeus	9.30	
29th Fri SS Peter & Paul	9.30	19.00 Clifford Allen Collier +
30th Sat Feria	9.30	17.30 Pierpaolo Vanotti +
1st Sun Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	10.00	15.00 (Royal Hospital) <i>People of the Parish</i>

Confessions:

Saturday 10.15-11.00 and at call

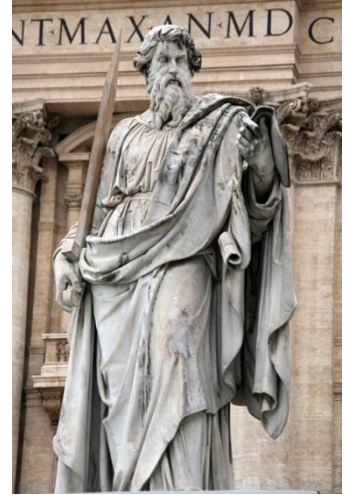
Sunday Readings: Year B **Weekday Readings:** Year 2

Cycle of Prayer, Easter:

New Members of the Church, Vocations, Human Work,
Right Use of Media, the Church

Next Week's Liturgy Group: Mark

Baptisms & Marriages: Please contact the Parish Priest



Statues of Saint Peter and Saint Paul at the Vatican

Saints Peter and Paul

Two men with very different characters and backgrounds became the greatest pillars of the Church.

Peter, the fisherman from provincial Galilee, was a rather impulsive man, always ready with an answer, willing even to walk on water! His audacity did not prevent him from denying Jesus, but his sorrow and love for Jesus restored him to become the chief shepherd of Jesus' sheep.

Paul, educated in the city of Jerusalem, was such a zealous Jew he persecuted the new Christians. However, his unexpected experience of the Risen Christ made him the great missionary to the Gentiles, defending their freedom against the demands of the Jews and Romans.

Both die in Rome, leaving behind the testimony of their lives, their writings, and the manner of their deaths. And from Rome, following their example, generations of Christians would go out to the ends of the earth spreading Christ's Gospel of hope and love.

May we follow the example of the Apostles Peter and Paul and transform our lives and dedicate ourselves each day to the building up of God's Kingdom.

Father Alex



Feast of Saints Peter & Paul

Friday 29th June is the Feast of Saints Peter & Paul and is a Holyday of Obligation. Masses in our Church are at 9.30 and 19.00. On this day we take up the traditional collection for Peter's Pence which supports the charitable work of the Holy Father.

**It is not the suffering
but the cause that makes the martyr**



All Parishioners who are in the Gift Aid Scheme need to collect their Gift Aid boxes and letter. Please do so from the back of the Church after Sunday mass. Thank you for your donations and support. Forms are also available at the back of the Church for those who would like to sign up for Gift Aid.

Bereavement Course

A time for mourning, anger, resentment, depression... These are some of the feelings often experienced in grief. When will they end? How to cope? Such questions are common among those who have been bereaved. On October 12-14 there will be a retreat/workshop for those suffering the pain of loss. It takes place at Aylesford Priory and is residential. For more details telephone Elizabeth Partridge on 01303 670880 or email earpartridge@gmail.com

**A garden is a thing of beauty
and a job forever**

Cake Sale

There will be a Cake Sale in the Atrium after 10.00 mass next Sunday 8th July.

APF Missio Red Boxes

Please return your Missio Red Box as soon as possible. Thank you for your donations and generous support.

Forthcoming Dates

Seniors Club 4th July
Cake Sale..... 8th July
Eucharistic Congress..... 7th-9th September



The Birth of St John the Baptist, *Bartolomé Esteban Murillo, 1660*

Addressing Modern Slavery

You may have heard from the media that our Bishops have launched a Safe Car Wash App so that people can report suspected human trafficking. Eradicating modern slavery is a priority area for both the Catholic Church and Church of England who have together produced this App which is available from the Apple App Store it is titled Safe Car Wash.

Funeral

The multi-faith funeral for Richard Nathanson (70 years) of Oakhill Road will take place on Tuesday 3rd July at 12.00. Private Cremation will follow at Putney Crematorium. May he rest in peace.

**The country clubs, the cars, the boats,
your assets may be ample,
But the best inheritance you can leave your kids
is to be a good example**

Last Week's Finances

Parish Collection £473.92 Bankers Orders £384
Many thanks for your support.

Upcoming Second Collections

29th June Peter's Pence, 8th July Apostleship of the Sea, 15th July St John's Seminary Refurbishment.

Rotas

Sunday Welcome & Coffee: F Azevado, M Figueiredo n/w E Chavez. R Martella

Readers: Sat: C Wilkins, E De Souza, H Pall Sun: G Fayers, C McCarthy, n/w Sat: R & S Jackson Sun: A Burnett, T Greetham, A Kane Blanes

Eucharistic Ministers: Sat: D McGavin, K Dolan Sun: G Donaldson, S Palmer, R Kuleke, D Lyons n/w Sat: M & S Lee Sun: G D'Monte, V Chima, A Kilcawley, R McMullan

Little Church: A Kane Blanes, C Webb n/w A Kilcawley, M Harrison, A Stacey

Tiny Church: J. Bronicka Anderson n/w E Lueth

Flowers: L Northeast n/w A Robbins

Royal Hospital: Sr Pauline n/w C Kawesi

Maintenance team: 11.00 14th July, 8th September