



Welcome to the Catholic Parish of Southwell and Calverton

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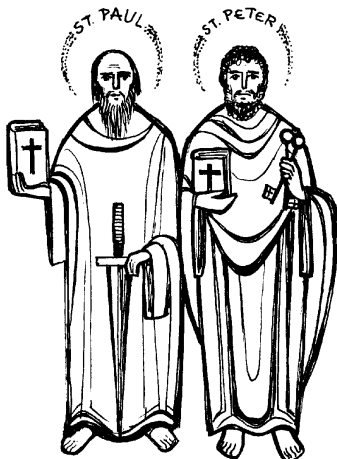
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26th and 27th June 2021 : Thirteenth Sunday of the Year

On Tuesday we celebrate the martyrdom of the two great apostles in the early Church, Saint Peter and Saint Paul. Their feast is always kept on 29th June, and would usually be a Holy Day of Obligation in England and Wales. The Bishops of England and Wales also ask us to pray for the Pope especially on this day, the successor of Saint Peter, and a collection is taken throughout all the churches in the world to support the missionary and charitable activity of the Pope, Peter's Pence. We'll take this collection over the Holy Day and next weekend. **Masses in our churches will be offered at 9am in Calverton and 7pm in Southwell on Tuesday:** do book (in the usual way) and come to Mass on this great day.

So that we might understand a little more about these saints, here's a reflection from Saint Augustine about this great feastday:



This day has been consecrated for us by the martyrdom of the blessed apostles Peter and Paul. It is not some obscure martyrs we are talking about. Their sound has gone out into all the earth, and their words to the ends of the world. These martyrs had seen what they proclaimed, they pursued justice by confessing the truth, by dying for the truth.

The blessed Peter, the first of the Apostles, the ardent lover of Christ, who was found worthy to hear, And I say to you, that you are Peter. He himself, you see, had just said, You are the Christ, the Son of the living God. Christ said to him, And I say to you that you are Peter, and upon this rock I

will build my Church. Upon this rock I will build the faith you have just confessed. Upon your words, You are the Christ, the Son of the living God, I will build my Church; because you are Peter. Peter comes from *petra*, meaning a rock. Peter, “Rocky,” from “rock”; not “rock” from “Rocky.” Peter comes from the word for a rock in the same way as the name Christian comes from Christ.

Before his passion the Lord Jesus, as you know, chose those disciples of his whom he called apostles. Among these it was only Peter who almost everywhere was given the privilege of representing the whole Church. It was in the person of the whole Church, which he alone represented, that he was privileged to hear, To you will I give the keys of the kingdom of heaven. After all, it is not just one man that received these keys, but the Church in its unity. So this is the reason for Peter’s acknowledged pre-eminence, that he stood for the Church’s universality and unity, when he was told, To you I am entrusting, what has in fact been entrusted to all. To show you that it is the Church which has received the keys of the kingdom of heaven, listen to what the Lord says in another place to all his apostles: Receive the Holy Spirit; and immediately afterwards, Whose sins you forgive, they will be forgiven them; whose sins you retain, they will be retained.

Quite rightly, too, did the Lord after his resurrection entrust his sheep to Peter to be fed. It is not, you see, that he alone among the disciples was fit to feed the Lord’s sheep; but when Christ speaks to one man, unity is being commended to us. And he first speaks to Peter, because Peter is the first among the apostles. Do not be sad, Apostle. Answer once, answer again, answer a third time. Let confession conquer three times with love, because self-assurance was conquered three times by fear. What you had bound three times must be loosed three times. Loose through love what you had bound through fear. And for all that, the Lord once, and again, and a third time, entrusted his sheep to Peter.

There is one day for the passion of two apostles. But these two also were as one; although they suffered on different days, they were as one. Peter went first, Paul followed. We are celebrating a feast day, consecrated for us by the blood of the apostles. Let us love their faith, their lives, their labours, their sufferings, their confession of faith, their preaching.

Father Simon’s Exams in Leuven

Sincere thanks to Father Frank Carvill, who supplied over the past two Sundays in our churches. Father Simon has now received his day five Test to Release PCR test, which is negative, and so can leave his quarantine and celebrate Mass this Sunday.

Changes to the covid-19 restrictions in church

Thanks to those who have contacted Father Simon with thoughts about the easing of restrictions in our churches. As a result of these ideas, and in line with Bishop Patrick's Guidelines (following the Government's guidance) for how we might ease some of the restrictions in church, from 1st July daily Mass will be celebrated publicly in each church. Since numbers at daily Mass are usually quite low, and well within the capacity for each church, there is no need for stewards to be on duty, nor for bookings to be made in advance.

It will be necessary to sign-in for Mass upon arrival, and a sign-in sheet (for name and telephone number) will be available on the table in the narthex in each church. Likewise please scan the QR code if you have a smart phone when you arrive. There will be sanitiser in the usual place by the entrance to each church, which must be used, and parishioners should sit in the usual spaces, maintaining a social distance between other parishioners not in the same household bubble. The time and location of each day's Mass will be published on the back page of the weekly newsletter. It will usually be at 9.00am or 9.30am, but the time might have to change on some days, depending on Father Simon's other commitments, or on occasions when there's another Mass to be celebrated, such as a Requiem Mass.

As ever, if you have any thoughts or concerns about these changes please contact Father Simon directly, and sincere thanks to parishioners for your patience and co-operation in these changing and challenging times.

Feast this Week – Saint Thomas (3rd July)

As well as the two great apostles, Peter and Paul, we celebrate another of the apostles, Saint Thomas, at the end of this week. In Saint John's Gospel, when Jesus says: 'I go to prepare a place for you. And I will come again and I will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also. And you know the way where I am going,' Thomas says: 'Lord we don't know where you are going. How can we know the way?' Then Jesus replied: 'I am the way, the truth and the light.' In a sense Saint Thomas speaks for each of us, doubters, about the reality of eternal life when he asks this question. Saint Thomas was not with the other apostles when Jesus appeared to them after his death, and refused to believe that he was alive unless he could see the marks of the nails. Eight days later he saw Jesus for himself, touched the wounds and said: 'My Lord and my God.'

Bishop Patrick celebrates the sixth anniversary of his episcopal ordination on Saint Thomas' day, so we keep him in our prayers especially next Saturday.

Coming to Mass

In the current partial lockdown public Mass is available on Saturday in Southwell at 6.00pm and on Sunday in Calverton at 10.45am. Currently we are precluded from social interaction in church (outside of our bubble), and recommended not to linger too long outside of church. We can come to church with a maximum (including priest and stewards) of 24 people in Southwell and 30 people in Calverton.

To book a place telephone Kathleen and Robert Dixon on 01636 813874, at any reasonable time from 8.30am Monday morning until 4.30pm Friday afternoon; if there's no reply leave a message with your name and number, or try ringing again a few minutes later. Don't use any other number to contact Kathleen and Robert, and please also note:

- ✘ A place needs to be booked for each individual who plans to attend;
- ✘ You'll be asked to provide a telephone number, to be passed onto Public Health England if needed as part of the 'Test and Trace' system;
- ✘ Sunday Masses bookings can be made during the preceding week only.

What to expect when coming to Mass

In order to comply with the Bishop's guidelines on celebrating Masses in the covid-19 period there'll be some differences in that way we come to Mass and the way Mass is celebrated. Please follow these directions, and recognise that those asking you to follow the directions are volunteers themselves:

- ✘ Please don't attend if you show any symptoms of covid-19;
- ✘ Try to arrive no earlier than half an hour before Mass, and no later than ten minutes before Mass, to allow time for each person to enter one-by-one;
- ✘ Enter via the car park and follow the one-way signs, waiting at two metre distances in front of the church door if others have arrived before you;
- ✘ Ensure you bring a mask to wear throughout the time in church, except when receiving Holy Communion; the mask should be worn so as to fully and snugly cover the wearer's mouth and nose;
- ✘ Please use the hand-sanitiser (provided) on arrival;
- ✘ Please take one of the Mass Sheets, and a Newsletter, and take them home with you after Mass;
- ✘ Put your weekly offering into the basket in the narthex;
- ✘ There won't be any holy water available, the repository will be closed, and there are no Catholic papers currently available;

- ✘ Please sit on the seat to which you are directed, following the one-way system; seating is at two-metre intervals (in Southwell couples can sit next to each other, and families in a single pew; in Calverton the chairs have been laid out singularly);
- ✘ Please avoid any contact with other parishioners; don't speak unless necessary;
- ✘ Only the disabled toilet will be available for use, and only if absolutely necessary. If you do use the toilet, please do so before you are seated, and then go to your seat (in Southwell, by exiting the hall lobby, walking around the side of the church, and re-entering the church through the main door, following the one-way system);
- ✘ Windows and some doors will be open to enable as much ventilation as possible;
- ✘ The Mass Sheet will explain the changes in the way Mass is celebrated, especially:
 - There will be no congregational singing;
 - Responses will be made with quiet voices;
 - There will be no ministries (eg altar servers, readers) during Mass;
 - There will be no sign of peace;
- ✘ After Mass you will be invited to receive Holy Communion; then exit the church following the one-way system, out into the car park, and leave immediately.
- ✘ Please don't linger too long, or with too many others, in the car park after Mass, tempting as it is to chat with fellow parishioners!
- ✘ Please dress appropriately for the weather and temperature, noting that the necessary ventilation in church can produce draughts.

NHS Covid-19 App and the QR Code in Church

If you have a smart-phone please scan the QR code as you come in to either church, enabling you to 'check in' and assisting with the Government's Track and Trace system. Please note this is in addition to booking a place at Mass, and not instead – please continue to book for Mass as well!

Covid Precautions : A Reminder

- ✘ An effective vaccine is the best way to protect people from coronavirus and will save thousands of lives.
- ✘ Following extensive safety trials and authorisation by the independent medicines' regulator, the MHRA, effective COVID-19 vaccines are available in the UK for free.
- ✘ It is essential that everyone continues to stay at home if possible to protect the NHS and save lives. Follow the link to make a vaccine booking:

https://www.swiftqueue.co.uk/nottinghamc19vpatient.php?fbclid=IwAR0nHe0lfONdVaFT8vwQIDjb5UQJ0_DQbEjxdLAKEdqdeGIHHATF35ENOEI

Ways to continue to participate in the life of the Church

The **readings and prayers for Mass** each day can be found here:

- <https://universalis.com/europe.england.nottingham/mass.htm>

Daily Mass is broadcast from our Cathedral in Nottingham at the following times:

- Sundays and Saturdays: 10am; Weekdays: 1pm

The link to the televised Mass is here:

- http://www.stbarnabascathedral.org.uk/01_Community/livestream.html

Daily Mass is broadcast from the National Shrine and Minor Basilica of Our Lady in Walsingham each day at 12 noon:

- <http://www.walsingham.org.uk/live-stream>

Sunday Mass, celebrated by Bishop Patrick, will be broadcast from his chapel at Bishop's House each Sunday at 10am, and other days and times during the week:

- www.youtube.com/channel/UCaf7upUMsn3Kl8GD79FotjQ/featured?fbclid=IwAR1JRpqkdOOrHZY98bsnSC_N9TKbvSKXv0L5bT4yVcCMTHaVmAwaW4g-rAk

A **Livestream from the Grotto in Lourdes** can be followed each day, with Mass broadcast in English at 9.00am (8.00am our time) each morning, and the Rosary, together with other prayers and devotions, in various languages, during the day:

- <https://www.lourdes-france.org/en/tv-lourdes/>

Resources for children and young people can be found via the Nottingham Diocesan Catholic Youth Service's (NDCYS) website:

- <https://ndcys.com>
- <https://www.youtube.com/ndcyslive>

There are ideas for **children's liturgy** on Cafod's website:

- <https://cafod.org.uk/Education/Children-s-liturgy>

For children of primary school age the **Mark 10 Mission** gives a reflection for each Sunday's Gospel, and a challenge for the week ahead:

- <https://www.themark10mission.co.uk/series-five-jesus-is-alive>

Pope's Prayer Intention for June

The beauty of marriage Let us pray for young people who are preparing for marriage with the support of a Christian community: may they grow in love, with generosity, faithfulness and patience.

A Spiritual Communion

Spiritual Communion is the heartfelt desire to receive Our Lord, even when we are unable to do so. If you are live-streaming the Mass, or praying the texts of the Mass, when it comes to the time for receiving Holy Communion pray instead the prayer:

From Saint Alphonsus Liguori:

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as being already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

Prayer during the Coronavirus Pandemic

O Mary, you shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick. At the foot of the Cross you participated in Jesus' pain, with steadfast faith. You, Salvation of the Roman People, know what we need. We are certain that you will provide, so that, as you did at Cana of Galilee, joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial. Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the Father's will and to do what Jesus tells us: He who took our sufferings upon Himself, and bore our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen.

We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our pleas – we who are put to the test and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.

A Prayer to my Guardian Angel when I can't get to Mass

Dear Guardian Angel, go for me to the church, there kneel down at Mass for me. At the Offertory, take me to God, and offer him my service: what I am, what I have, offer as my gift. At the Consecration, with your seraphic strength, adore my Saviour truly present, praying for those who have loved me, for those who have offended me, and for those now deceased, that the blood of Jesus may purify them all. During Holy Communion, bring to me the Body and Blood of Jesus uniting him with me in spirit, so that my heart may become his dwelling place. Plead with him, that through his sacrifice all people throughout the world may be saved. When the Mass ends, bring home to me and to every home, the Lord's blessing. Amen.

Forthcoming Events in our parish and wider community

The Catholic Bishop of the Forces, Bishop Paul Mason, will be leading the **Sunday Service** on BBC Regions this **Sunday (27th June)**. Tune into your local BBC radio station at 8.00am or listen online. In case you miss it, the service will also be available on the BBC website after broadcast. The focus of the Sunday Service will be on 'Faith in the Military'

The Word and the Common Good: Join Catholics from around the Diocese of Nottingham for an interactive online course on **Monday evenings until 12th July** at 7.00pm. As life starts afresh after lockdown:

- ✕ Discover how Scripture and Catholic Social Teaching can help us seize this moment and build a society that reflects God's Kingdom;
- ✕ Build bridges following a year of social distancing and foster a new 'culture of encounter';
- ✕ Form new friendships, renew old ones, and help to build our parish communities for mission.

Visit dioceseofnottingham.uk/here-now-us for further details.

On **Monday 5th July** from 2.00pm until 3.30pm Caritas in the Diocese of Nottingham is organising another online 'Open with Care' workshop. This is an ideal opportunity for parish groups, teams and rota organisers to find out how to start up after lockdown in a covid-secure way. It's also a chance to find out how to start up a new group safely. The afternoon will be hosted by Paul Bodenham of Caritas and Catherine Scholes, the diocesan Health and Safety Property Officer. If you help run a parish activity, or are keen to see a new activity started up, this workshop is for you. It will take place on Zoom, with opportunities to ask your own questions and learn from others. To book in advance, register at bit.ly/openwithcare

Renewing the face of the Earth: A practical workshop for anyone interested in promoting care of Creation will be held on **Tuesday 6th July**, 7.00 - 8.30pm. When it comes to action on climate change, every parish is part of the 'race to net-zero.' Would you like to help your parish, diocese and the wider Church in taking up the environmental challenges of our time? Caritas is seeking to develop a network of parish representatives to help promote care for the environment across the diocese.

Join this conversational workshop on Zoom to explore what being a parish eco-representative could mean, and opportunities coming up this Autumn to enable the parish to 'preach Good News to all Creation.' To book, visit: bit.ly/renewtheearth

The Vocations Team is holding their next Zoom café on **Monday 12th July** at 7.00pm. This month's guest speaker is Maggie Mairura from Cafod who will be talking about how she lives her call today. If you would like to know more about Vocation to the Priesthood or Religious Life and would like to meet the team please email Diane at vocationsadmin@dioceseofnottingham.uk for the Zoom link. A warm welcome awaits you.

Would you benefit from a rational guide to the assisted suicide debate? That's what's on offer to attendees of an online event called '**Death by Appointment**'. On **Monday 12th July** at 7.30pm, Baroness Ilora Finlay and Robert Preston will look behind the slogans of the debate to help inform your view. Bookings can be made at: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/death-by-appointment-a-rational-guide-to-the-assisted-suicide-debate-tickets-159394167245?ref=estw>

Faith and Reason: A Catholic Integration: A residential summer course exploring the relationship of faith with philosophy, science and culture, and particularly helpful for catechists and teachers fielding commonly-asked questions around Catholicism, as well as anyone wishing to deepen their understanding of the Catholic Faith. The summer course will run from **5th – 8th August**. For more info and to register please follow the link: <https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/faith-and-reason/>

How has covid-19 affected you and your faith?

The Diocese of Nottingham has launched a short survey in order to deepen its understanding of covid-19's impact on all Catholics across the diocese. Please visit

<https://www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/whats-on/news/share-your-story-how-has-covid-19-affected-you-and-your-faith>

Encourage other parishioners to do so too. The deadline is **Sunday 4th July**.

The Green Church Showcase

The Bishops' Conference and the Church of England are inviting parishes, schools, dioceses, and Christian groups to submit details of work that they have undertaken to combat climate change, protect nature, and involve their communities in making changes. Could our parish be one of them? The deadline for submissions is **Wednesday 21st July**. If you're interested in this initiative and think it's something we could undertake as a parish please speak with Father Simon. More information can be found at: <https://www.churchtimes.co.uk/green-church-showcase>

Red Box (Missio) Holders in Calverton

Missio has sent thanks to all the Red Box holders in Calverton for sending their donations directly to Missio last year. **Parishioners have raised £328 from their Red Boxes: well done!** Can those in Calverton with red boxes do the same this year:

- ✘ Send a cheque – make it payable to Missio-Mill Hill and post it to Red Box, 23 Eccleston Square, London SW1V 1NU
- ✘ Give online – go to mission.org.uk/redbox
- ✘ Give via text – text REDBOX 5 (to donate £5), or REDBOX 10 (£10) to 70085
- ✘ By phone – call 020 7821 9755 to donate with your credit or debit card
- ✘ Bank transfer – account name: Missio; sort code: 16-00-16; number: 10824230

Please quote the Parish Centre Number which for Saint Anthony is NOT122B, as this enables Missio to attribute the correct donations to the correct church

Parish Newsletter by email

To receive the parish newsletter electronically ask to be added to the mailing list by emailing Father Simon at olvsouthwell.stacalverton@dioceseofnottingham.uk.

Financial Support of our Parish

Thank you to those parishioners who give regularly via standing orders. If you don't do so, please consider what you can give, and if you can the details are:

- Account name: **Our Lady of Vic, Southwell RCP**
- Sort Code: **30-67-76**
- Account number: **45368360**

Many thanks to all our parishioners for your continuing generosity!

Supporting Newark Foodbank

Items can be donated at the Co-op, One Stop, and Lloyds Chemist in Southwell:
Tinned fish (not tuna); Sponge puddings (tinned or microwavable); Jam; Toilet rolls; Shampoo and deodorant. Many thanks!

A prayer for life

We pray for our Government, that their willingness and ability to support pregnant women would increase and that they would anchor themselves in the desire to protect all human life. Lord hear us. Also visit: www.righttolife.org.uk/news

A reflection from 'Marriage Matters'

The triumph of love over fear The love that a married couple have for one another gives them the strength to overcome together the situations that occur in their life. Whether it is illness, difficult relationships with children or parents, unemployment, work issues or financial worries, Jesus tells us not to be afraid but to trust and have faith in each other and in Him.

Prayer in the Year of the Word

Living God, you walk alongside us and speak to us throughout the Scriptures.

**Your Son, Jesus Christ, listens to our hopes and fears
and shows us how to live for one another.**

**Send us the Holy Spirit to open our hearts and minds
so that we may be your witnesses throughout the world. Amen.**

V. Your word is our path and your truth is our light. R. This day and every day.

Our Lady of the Annunciation : Pray for us.

Saint Matthew : Pray for us. Saint Jerome : Pray for us.

Prayer in the Year of Saint Joseph

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

To you God entrusted his only Son;

in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life.

Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen.

Prayers for ...

Please remember in your prayers especially:

- ✘ **Joan Hyde**, who died on Saturday 5th June aged 84, and whose Requiem Mass will be celebrated on Wednesday 30th June. May she rest in peace!
- ✘ **Becky Bennett**, a parishioner in Southwell;
- ✘ **Clergy of our diocese who are sick at this time:** Monsignori Martin Cummins, Jonathan Moore, Canon Michael Moore, Fathers John Cairns, John Daley IC, Hugh Doherty, Paul Entwhistle, Kevin Gradwell, James Hannigan, Peter Harvey, Christopher Hogan, James Lynch, Frank McLaughlin, Robert Rutledge, Patrick O'Doherty, Michael Tutcher; Deacons Tom Berrie, Stephen Doona, Bill Hutchinson.

Masses this week and next week

Saturday 26th June
No morning Mass

Saturday Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Thirteenth Sunday of the Year

Collection for the Day for Life

S 6.00pm Mass

Barbara Pearson RIP and Tom Sills RIP

Sunday 27th June

Thirteenth Sunday of the Year

C 10.45am Mass

Pro Populo (people of the parish)

Monday 28th June

Memorial of Saint Irenaeus, bishop and martyr

Mass

Douglas Flint RIP

Tuesday 29th June

SOLEMNITY OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES

C 9.00am Mass

Pro Populo (people of the parish)

C 4.30pm Reception into church of Joan Hyde RIP

S 7.00pm Mass

Intentions of Theresa Martin (hip operation)

Wednesday 30th June

Feria

C 11.30am Requiem Mass

Joan Hyde RIP

Thursday 1st July

Feria

S 9.00am Mass

Brendan and Neil O'Flanagan RIP

Friday 2nd July

Feria

S 9.00am Mass

Gerard Law RIP

Saturday 3rd July

Feast of Saint Thomas, apostle

No morning Mass

Fourteenth Sunday of the Year

S 6.00pm Mass

Mary Back RIP

Sunday 4th July

Fourteenth Sunday of the Year

C 10.45am Mass

Pro Populo (people of the parish)

Readings at Masses this week and next week

Sunday Wisdom 1:13-15. 2:23-24; Psalm 29(30):2.4-6.11-13;
2 Corinthians 8:7.9.13-15; Mark 5:21-43

Monday Genesis 18:16-33; Psalm 102(103):1-4.8-11; Matthew 8:18-22

Tuesday Acts 12:1-11; Psalm 33(34):2-9; 2 Timothy 4:6-8.17-18;
Matthew 16:13-19

Wednesday Genesis 21:5.8-20; Psalm 33(34):7-8.10-13; Matthew 8:28-34

Thursday Genesis 22:1-19; Psalm 114(116):1-6.8-9; Matthew 9:1-8

Friday Genesis 23:1-4.19. 24:1-8.62-67; Psalm 105(106):1-5; Matthew 9:9-13

Saturday Ephesians 2:19-22; Psalm 116(117):1-2; John 20:24-29