

Attendance and Collection

8th June Attendance 253 Collection £245.00
15th June Attendance 72 Collection £190.00
22nd June Attendance 63 Collection £167.30

Parishioners Who are Unwell

If you would like the parish to pray for someone, please notify Father Sony on 01772 865229 for inclusion in the Bidding Prayers or newsletter.

Feast Days

Mon – The first Martyrs of the See of Rome
Thurs – ST. THOMAS
Fri – St. Elizabeth of Portugal
Sat – St. Anthony Mary Zaccaria

Wedding Anniversary Mass - Saturday 12 July, 12.15pm St Peter's

Cathedral Lancaster: As part of our Jubilee and Centenary celebrations Bishop Paul invites all couples in the Diocese celebrating milestone wedding anniversaries this year including; 1st, 25th, 30th, 40th, 45th & 60 and beyond - to a special mass of celebration and blessing. Join together to celebrate your journey of love and commitment with family, friends and our parish community during our Diocesan Centenary year. All are welcome to attend. For those couples wishing a blessing for their Catholic marriage please email the Cathedral at clergy@lancastercathedral.org.uk See the poster at the back of church for details.

Childrens Liturgy

It has been lovely to see so many children in the school hall at Sunday mass. Now we are back in church, we would love to restart Children liturgy. This is where the children have their own special liturgy focused at their level of understanding. They leave church at the beginning of mass and go to the presbytery with Children's liturgists, where they talk and share thoughts and ideas on the gospel pf the day – with planned activities to enthuse and inspire children to respond and to enjoy themselves too. They then return to mass in church at the Offertory.

If you would like to be involved in Children's Liturgy or find out more - please do see Mary, Maria or Bernadette for more information.

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Parish Safeguarding Representative –Maria Peel

Sunday 29th June 2025

ST. PETER & ST. PAUL – Holy Day of Obligation

Readings – Year C

Mass 10.30am

Parish Mission Statement

Our Parish, guided by the example of our patron St Francis of Assisi, seeks to be a welcoming Catholic Community by living, sharing and growing in faith. We strive to deepen our own relationship with Christ and meet the needs of others.

Mass intention is for Veronica Holden

We pray for all who are unwell in our parish especially

Bill Bamber, Shirley Walker & Frank Morris

We remember John Bennet, Florence Hildred, Peter Corbett & Veronica Anne Holden whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Tea and Coffee will be served after Sunday Mass

Baptisms

We welcome into our church family **Clemmie Patsy Coupe & Oscar Thomas Ross** who will be baptised today at 12pm .
May God's light shine on them always.

Memory Day

We are hoping to have an Open Memory Day in church (during Summer - date to be announced), where people can come to look at our newly restored church and look at new and old pictures of church too, If you have any memories of church and any photos that we could borrow to be displayed - please do contact Maria or Bernadette. We promise all photos on display will be returned afterwards to their rightful owner.

From the Archives

Today, 29th June, the Church celebrates the feast day of St. Peter and St Paul. The feast commemorates the martyrdom of the two great disciples, assigned by tradition to the same day of June in the year 67A.D. The feast of St Peter and St Paul is one of the oldest feast days celebrated in the Christian calendar. In 2010, images of Peter and Paul were found on the wall of catacombs dating back to the 4th Century AD.

St Peter and St Paul had both been imprisoned in the infamous Mamertine Prison of Rome and both had foreseen their approaching death. It is said that they were martyred at the command of Emperor Nero. Even though they were killed on the same day, their method of execution would have differed. Saint Peter was crucified, whereas Saint Paul would have been beheaded with a sword as he was a Roman citizen and afforded a quicker execution. It is said of Peter that he was crucified head downward as he didn't feel worthy of being crucified in the same way as Jesus. After Christ's Ascension, Peter always took the leading role, exercising the office of chief shepherd that Christ had entrusted to him. He delivered the first sermon on Pentecost and received the first Gentiles into the new Christian faith. It

is certain that Peter laboured in Rome as an apostle, that he was the city's first bishop, and that he died there as a martyr, in 67 A.D. According to tradition he was also the first bishop of Antioch. He is the author of two letters, the first Christian encyclicals. His burial place is Christendom's most famous shrine, St Peter's Basilica, around whose dome are inscribed the words: *'Tu es Petrus, et super hanc petram aedificabo ecclesiam meam'* – *Thou Art Pater and Upon this Rock I shall build My Church.*

Paul, known as Saul, his Roman name before his conversion, was born at Tarsus in the Roman province of Silicia. He was the son of Jewish parents who belonged to the tribe of Benjamin, he was reared according to the strict religious-nationalistic party of the Pharisees and enjoyed the high distinction of Roman citizenship. As a youth he went to Jerusalem to become immersed in Jewish Law. He also acquired the skill as a tent maker, a work he continued even as an apostle. Paul wasn't in Jerusalem at the time of Christ's ministry, nor did they ever meet. Upon returning to Jerusalem, Paul discovered a flourishing Christian community and at once became its bitter opponent. When Stephen called into question the Jewish Law, Paul was one of the first at his stoning; thereafter his fiery personality would lead to the persecution of any Christians he came across. Saul's conversion occurred when he was on his way to the city of Damascus and from then on, he became one of the most important Christian disciples and teachers. St Paul is responsible for much of the New Testament and is widely acclaimed as one of the most important apostles who spread the word of Jesus and Christianity. Thirteen out of the twenty-seven books of the bible are attributed to St. Paul.

Mike Bryan