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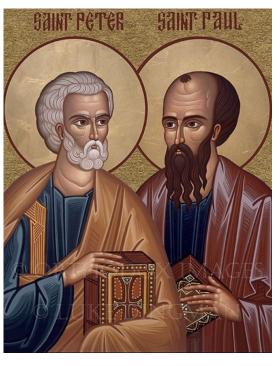
6.00pm. Vigil Mass 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time 9.30am. Sunday Mass



Two little dicky birds sitting on a wall one called Peter and one called Paul. Fly away, Peter. Fly away, Paul. Come back, Peter. Come back, Paul.

Nursery Rhymes often have a serious origin. Here we have two beings which are similar with the names Peter and Paul. They both go away and are effectively lost. But when they are invited to return they do so.

In St. Peter, we have an Apostle who said he would die with Jesus if called up, but when the going was tough, he distanced himself from Jesus. But when Jesus invited him back, "Do you love me? Feed my sheep," he returned to be the Rock on which the church was built. In St. Paul we have someone who thought he was doing God's will by turning against Jesus and his followers, but when Jesus called him back to be an apostle, he not only changed direction, but became perhaps the greatest preacher of Jesus Christ and his salvation. Happy Feast!



Church Cleaning

There will be church cleaning on Tuesday 1st of July after Mass (approximately 10.30)

CAFOD representatives book stall

David and Emily are planning to do a surprise book stall later in the year where books are wrapped in brown paper, marked with the genre. These will be sold to raise funds for both the church and CAFOD. There will be a box in the porch of the church for you to place your books of any genre to help get the book stall up and running. For more information, please contact David or Emily. Thank you in advance.

Sea Sunday annual collection. (a message from Stella Maris)

Sea Sunday will be on the weekend of 12-13 July. This is the day in the Church's year when we pray and collect funds for all those who live and work at sea. Seafarers and fishers play a vital role in all our lives, but they often work in difficult, hazardous conditions. Your parish's support will make a big difference to seafarers and fishers in need. Resources will be sent to the parishes including Gift Aid envelopes. All the resources (including foreign-language translations of some of the materials) are also available for download from our website at: https://stellamaris.org.uk/seasunday/

Parliamentary Updates from righttolife.org.uk

Abortion

Last Tuesday, MPs voted 379 to 137 in favour of Tonia Antoniazzi's extreme abortion up to birth amendment. This was the first time this radical amendment has been debated in the Commons, with under two hours of discussion and no public consultation.

The amendment, tabled by Tonia Antoniazzi MP, would change the law so it would no longer be illegal for women to perform their own abortions for any reason, including sex-selective purposes, and at any point up to and during birth, likely leading to an increase in the number of women performing dangerous late-term abortions at home.

But it is not law yet - we will be doing everything in our power to fight this amendment in the House of Lords. You can find out more about the vote <u>here</u>.

Jonathan Hinder, our local MP voted against.

Assisted Suicide

On Friday 20th June, MPs voted at Third Reading by 314 votes to 291 in support of Kim Leadbeater's assisted suicide Bill. This is a major drop in support from November, when the Bill passed its Second Reading by 55 votes - it has now scraped through by just 23.

We will be fighting this Bill at every stage in the House of Lords, where we are confident it can be overturned, given its continued loss of support. You can find out more about Friday's debate <u>here</u>. Jonathan Hinder, our local MP voted against.

How do Tolkien and hiking boots fit together, and what have they got to do with our charity, Caritas Salford?

The Tolkien Trail – a popular walking route in Lancashire – is named after Lord of the Rings author J R R Tolkien, who stayed at Stonyhurst College during World War II while his son John was studying for the priesthood there.

Tolkien is said to have been inspired to write extensive passages of the Lord of the Rings by the gently rolling scenery of the area, which became known as 'The Shire.' As a charity that supports individuals, children and families across Lancashire (as well as Greater Manchester), it's important to us to provide activities and events that are rooted in this beautiful part of the world for our supporters to access. Hence, the idea of <u>our latest</u> <u>sponsored walk</u> on this route! (<u>www.caritassalford.org.uk/lancswalk</u>) If you would like to take a lead in organising a group from this parish or any more information you can email i.baxter@caritassalford.org.uk or call 0161 817 2286.

