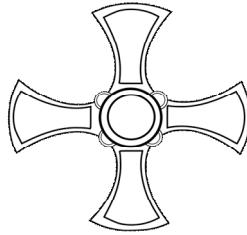


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Sunday 28th June 2015 — Feast of St Peter and St Paul

**I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven:
Whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven;
whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.**

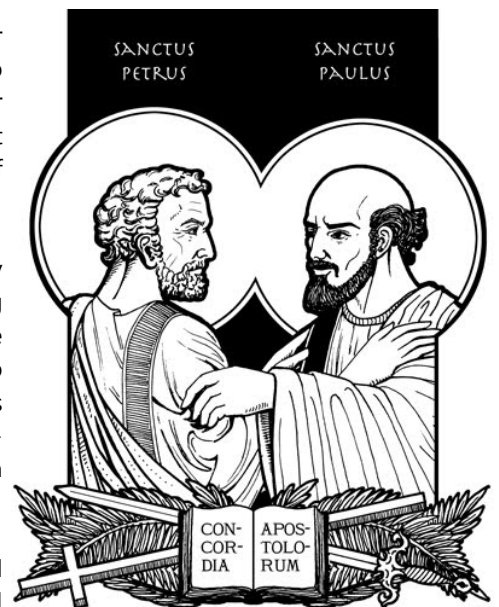
(Matthew 16:19)

Those of us who have been Christians since childhood take Peter and Paul for granted. They are like one piece of the same jigsaw. Even their names seem to go together like Laurel and Hardy or Marks and Spencer. We have to stop in our tracks for a while to remind ourselves that Peter and Paul each had to find out who they really were before they could become powerful agents in the service of Christ.

Peter was not always Peter. He came out of Simon, the rock out of the jelly. Today we celebrate him as the strong leader of the early Church; we recall him as being steadfast as a rock, the choice upon which Jesus would build his Church. But we remember that he was far from steady. He was the headstrong, volatile one who was told by Jesus to get behind him like Satan. He was the one full of promises which he broke as soon as the going got tough, the lover turned deserter. Yet Jesus knew this. That is why he invited him to discover his real self: not the Simon with all his limitations, but the Peter who in Christ would accomplish much.

Paul was not always Paul. He came out of Saul, the lamb out of the wolf. We recall the zealous Jew whose very life was consumed in tracking down Christians and having them persecuted. We remember the man whose understanding of religion was such that he considered Christianity to be abhorrent to God. Yet for some reason he was not to remain so blinkered. He saw the light. He was blinded by the reality of Christ's teachings and deep in his heart he was no longer Saul the persecutor, but Paul the fearless preacher and teacher of the faith. When he became Paul he could be used by God to the fullest.

In every one of us there is both Simon and Saul. We do not have to look hard to see our imperfections or seek very far before finding our own fickleness or presumptuousness. The good news, though, is that we are not condemned to live out this self-destructing role. At our baptism we are called to a greatness that we cannot achieve by ourselves. Our new name is that of "Christian", and we agree to be living witnesses to the new life offered in Christ. In a sense our Christian life is a journey of discovery into who and what we are called to be. The more we know our true selves before God, the more God can use us in the service of the gospel. God, of course, did use Simon and Saul. But when they faced up to who they really were, they could become Peter and Paul: far richer and more effective preachers of the gospel. Do you know who God is asking you to be?





Please pray for ... A Deeper Understanding between Christians and Jews; Those who Suffer Persecution; Oppression and Denial of Human Rights; Europe, Human Life and Seafarers. **Those who are sick:** please pray for all who are sick, for all who are in hospital, hospice or nursing homes, including Jackie Kelly, Joseph Ackerley,

Patricia Conlon, Betty Hill, Vonne and Mel Mitchell, Audrey Lewis, Betty Fenby, Canon Frank Kearney, Father Michael Marr, Father Bill Bellamy, Father Leo Coughlin, Ros McGann, Mary Robertson, Margaret Taylor, Father Richard Harriott, Monica Laidler, Gary James, Jean Williams, Catherine West, Dorothy Rutherford, Nancy Healy, Maura Lang, Kathleen Lavery, Gerry Thirsk, Father Gerard Monaghan, Tom Wright, Joan Fenwick and Father Michael Corbett. Those who have died recently including: **Jean Spedding** and for all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Offertory Collection 20th / 21st June
Total Offertory - **£ 896.85 - THANK YOU**

Parish Finances

You may remember that when we put the new roof on to St Cuthbert's Church two years ago, we spent approximately £140,000. We also had to spend many thousands of pounds rewiring St Cuthbert's Church and House. At the time there were many promises of trying to do fundraising to help pay for this. Please remember our parish need when fundraising or when making out your will.

Parish Offertories

As part of 'Forward Together in Hope', it has been calculated that the average offertory donation in this parish is **£2.11 per person**. Obviously there are people who give more than that and there are some who give less. But what will £2.11 buy today? How far will £2.11 go in the running of a parish with two church communities. Please think about how much you give each week and if its possible for you to give a little more!

CAFOD Medical Centre Appeal

Although we are not having any large fundraising events for the appeal for the Medical Centre at the moment, we are still taking in any donations. If you wish to make a donation please do so.



Clergy Appointments

As announced two weeks ago, the Bishop has asked Father Peter to become the Parish Priest of St Robert's Morpeth and St Bede's Bedlington and to reside at Morpeth. Father Chris Hughes, from St Bede's, Bedlington, will move to become Co-Pastor in this Cluster of parishes, with particular responsibility for St Cuthbert and St Joseph Parish, North Shields. Monsignor Andrew Faley will assume the role of Coordinating Pastor of the Cluster. Father Peter will probably be leaving North Shields sometime during the last week of August, after the Sixtieth Jubilee Mass of St Joseph's, and Father Chris will move to North Shields at a similar time.



John Bagnall's Ordination and First Mass

Please pray for Rev John Bagnall who is to be ordained Priest on Saturday morning at St Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle upon Tyne by Bishop Seamus Cunningham on Saturday 4th July.

Parish Mission

"You send forth your spirit, they are created, and we are a community who meet Jesus Filled then, with the Holy Spirit, we seek to build As the Gospel is proclaimed, celebrated and lived out in our world"

Father Peter's Silver Jubilee Celebrations

Father Peter's Silver Jubilee Mass will be celebrated at 7pm on Monday 29th June. All those who are attending have been asked to sign lists so we know how many chairs we need for seating in church. If you haven't put your name down on the list, please let Fr Peter or Ian Pearson know **TODAY**.



Silver Jubilarians

You are also asked to keep in your prayers Father Michael Humble, Father Nick Jennings and Father Paul McCourt who all celebrate their Silver Jubilee on 29th June; pray for Father Paul Trinder, ordained the same day who died in October 2012; and for Father David Russell who celebrates his Silver Jubilee on 17th November.



Silver Jubilee School Mass

Our two Primary School invite members of the parish Community and anyone else who wishes to join in from other parishes, to an outdoor Mass on Thursday 2nd July at 10.30am on St Joseph's School Field to celebrate Fr Peter's Silver Jubilee. You are asked to be present before 10.20am as the gates will be locked for security purposes for the children. The children will be having a picnic after the Mass and the adults will be offered tea and coffee; you can bring your own picnic if you want to but biscuits will be offered to the adults present. Seating will be available but if you want to bring a more comfortable outdoor chair, please do so. Pray for good weather and a great celebration.



Jubilee Photographic Display

Many thanks to everyone who is contributing photos for the Jubilee Displays. If you can assist with any of the above, please contact: Peter Quinn: Tel 0191 258 4526 or David Quinn: Tel 0191 257 7620.

Flower Festival and 60th Jubilee Celebrations

A Flower Festival to celebrate all the Jubilees this year will be held at St Joseph's Church from Thursday 20th August—Sunday 23rd August and conclude with the 60th Anniversary Mass of St Joseph's Church on Monday 24th August at 7.00pm.

Sponsoring the Sanctuary Candles

We sponsor Sanctuary Candles in both churches each weekend. Envelopes for intentions and offerings are available in church.



Parish Council Meeting

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Monday 13th July. Any items for inclusion on Agenda should be handed in writing to Ian Pearson (Chair) Linda Shotton (Secretary) or Fr Peter as soon as possible, but before Thursday 9th July.

Statement

"Renew the face of the earth." [Psalm 104]
in His words and in His Sacraments.
a community of faith, hope, love and hospitality.
our daily lives, we are sent out to renew the face of the earth"

Pope John Paul II Award

Many thanks to Linda Shotton who has offered to be the Church Coordinator for St Cuthbert's Church. We now just need a person from St Joseph's to be the Coordinator ... if willing to help, please let Fr Peter know as soon as possible. There will be some training involved at some stage so the person volunteering must be willing and able to do this.



Pilgrimage to Ladyewell

Unfortunately, the proposed pilgrimage to Ladyewell has been cancelled. Apologies to those who wanted to go, but we just didn't have enough interest to make it possible.

St Joseph's School Fayre

St Joseph's Primary School are having a Fayre in a couple of weeks time and are appealing for some parish support. If anyone can help with bottles, tins and toiletries for the fair. If you can help drop off any items at school during school hours.

Parish Information Handbook

Anyone with any information for the parish handbook currently being out together should either hand it or email it to barbara-davies56@hotmail.co.uk

Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

Fr Peter is organising the next Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Holy Land from 12th—19th October. There are still places available if anyone wishes to go. Flights from Luton, with Luton coach transfer included. 2 Nights in Bethlehem : 2 Nights in Tiberias : 3 Nights in Jerusalem. Booking Forms on Diocesan Website or from Tangney Tours 01732 886666. Further details from Fr Peter Stott. 0191 257 5801. Price is £1295.00 per person, Single Room £275, Insurance £60.00.



CAFOD Vacancy

Community Participation Co-ordinator, Two year fixed term post (part time 17.5 hpw in Hexham & Newcastle diocese) post working with volunteers in parish and school communities helping to inspire and resource Catholics to participate in the Church's mission to overcome poverty and injustice overseas in partnership with CAFOD. Closing date 10th July 2015. <http://www.cafod.org.uk/Work-with-us/UK-Jobs/CPC>



World Youth Day

The Diocese, in conjunction with YMT is planning a pilgrimage for young people aged 18-30 years to World Youth Day at Krakow in Poland from 25th July—1st August 2016. The costs will be approximately £999. If anyone is interested, Fr Peter has some information and a Booking Form but more information is available on the YMT website www.ymt.org/wyd16.html



Sacrament of Confirmation



The Confirmation Course continues on Wednesday evening at 7.15pm. Bishop Seamus will be coming to St Cuthbert's Church on Friday 19th July to confer the Sacrament of Confirmation during a 7pm Mass.

Baptism Course

The next Baptism Course is to be held on Thursday 2nd July at St Edward's Church at 7pm. Any parents wishing to attend must speak to Fr Peter before turning up.

Sacrament of Baptism

For Baptism in our cluster parishes, one parent of the child to be baptised must be a baptised catholic. Mass on a Sunday (or Sat. vigil) is expected. One of the godparents is also expected to be a practising catholic. Attendance at one of the Cluster Baptism Courses must be completed. Any parents from St Joseph's or St Cuthbert's wishing to attend should speak to Fr Peter. After the Baptism Course, the parents should speak once again to Fr Peter and make arrangements for an appointment to fix a date for a Baptism. PLEASE NOTE, that dates are not usually given out before the Baptism Course is completed. Parishioners from the other Cluster parishes should check with their respective Cluster priests about attending the course.



Baptism Catechists Meeting

There will be a meeting of the Baptism Catechists from all the Cluster Parishes on Thursday 9th July at 7.30pm at St Mary's Church, Cullercoats. Anyone not able to attend is asked to inform their respective parish priests.

Diocesan Accountancy Vacancy

The Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle requires a full-time Parishes Support Accountant to support all aspects of the financial operation of the Diocese. An application pack is available at www.rcdhn.org.uk. For further information please contact: HR Manager, Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle (0191 243 3301 or email human.resources@diocesehn.org.uk) The closing date for applications is 30th June 2015.

"Forward Together in Hope"

During the time we have between now and Advent, as we reflect on how to complete and submit the Parish Questionnaire, we invite you to reflect on some of the questions that have to be answered in Part B of the Questionnaire that were handed out last week. These questions can also be found on the diocesan website, and they are on pages 32—44 of the Questionnaire. Those who complete the Questionnaire will need to know people's responses to these questions so if you have any thoughts, please put them down in writing and hand them in addressed to 'Sean Brockbank, Forward Together in Hope'.



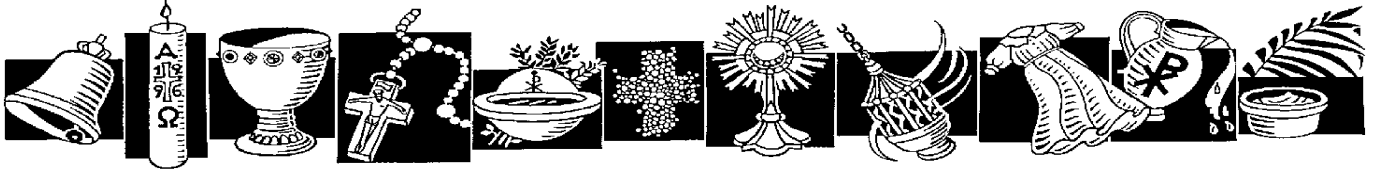
Fishermen's Mission: Mission Aid 2015

The Fishermen's Mission are holding their Mission Aid Events on Saturday 4th July from 12noon. The event is being opened by Revd. George Ayoma who is the Fishermen's Mission Pastor for the whole of the UK, as well as being Mission Area Officer based at Fleetwood. He is also Baptist Minister of Trinity Baptist Church, Fleetwood. This is George's first visit to North Shields. Also making his appearance for the first time in North Shields is Albert the Fisherman, aka the mascot of the Fishermen's Mission!



Dementia Friends Information Workshop

Many people in our community are living with Dementia. 400,000 people are diagnosed with Early Onset Dementia and 1-in-14 over the age of 65, with Dementia of one form or another. By increasing the number of people with a good understanding of this disease, we can reduce the impact of the symptoms and help those effected to live a fuller life and reduce the feeling of isolation that can so often be the case. We are to hold a Dementia Friends Meeting on **Wednesday 8th July 10.15am—11.15am**. This is for young and old and anyone who wants to make a real difference. Come along and bring a friend!



Masses, Devotions and Services

	St Cuthbert's Church	St Joseph's Church
Saturday 27th June	5.00pm—5.20pm: Confessions 5.30pm Vigil: Bernard & Anna Teresa Hearn	No Mass
Sunday 28th June SS Peter and Paul	11.00am Mass: Intentions of Fr Peter Stott	9.25am The Angelus 9.30am Mass: Ada and Harry Snowdon
Monday 29th June		7.00pm Mass: Intentions of Fr Peter Stott Silver Jubilee Mass
Tuesday 30th June <i>First Martyrs of Rome</i>		7.00pm Mass: Cliff Howells
Wednesday 1st July <i>St Oliver Plunkett</i>	9.00am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9.30am Mass: Gladys May Bunting	
Thursday 2nd July		10.30am MASS: Intentions of Fr Peter Stott SCHOOL MASS
Friday 3rd July <i>St Thomas</i>	9.00am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 9.30am Mass: Sr Imelda Keena	
Saturday 4th July <i>St Elizabeth of Portugal</i>	5.00pm—5.20pm: Confessions 5.30pm Vigil: Brendan & Maura Moss, [Silver Wedding Anniversary]	No Mass
Sunday 5th July 14th Sunday Year B	11.00am Mass: In Thanksgiving 12.15pm Baptism: Joseph Winston Barnes and Jessica Nell Barnes	9.25am The Angelus 9.30am Mass: Michael Falla

The Holy Father's Intentions For July 2015

Universal Intention: That political responsibility may be lived at all levels as a high form of charity.

Missionary Intention: That, amid social inequalities, Latin American Christians may bear witness to love for the poor and contribute to a more fraternal society.

Diocese - www.rcdhn.org.uk Cluster - www.norhtynesidecatholic.org.uk
St Cuthbert's School - <http://stcuthberts.eschools.co.uk/website>
St Joseph's School - www.stjosephsrc-primary.co.uk
St Thomas More RC Academy - <http://vle.stmacademy.org.uk/>