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## Solemnity of Ss. Peter and Paul

28th June 2020

Year A

Psalter Week 1

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*“The Lord chooses us to be His disciples...*

*‘warts and all!’”*

*by Seminarian Elliot Hanson*



This Sunday we commemorate the lives, witness and martyrdom of two of the most influential saints in Christian history. St Peter, a flaky, uneducated fisherman, had both the honour of being chosen by Our Lord as the “rock upon which I shall build my Church”, and also being the only apostle to publicly deny Jesus, though he was welcomed back with open arms. St Paul, on the other

hand, was an irritable, highly trained philosopher and Pharisee, who spent years persecuting the early Church before meeting the Lord on the way to Damascus and dedicating the rest of his life to preaching the Good News. What they show us is that the Lord loves us and chooses us to be His disciples ‘warts and all’. If we are willing to acknowledge with Peter, “You are the Christ”, He will use us to build His Church here and now, and neither coronavirus, nor the gates of hell will ever prevail against it.



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## SERVICES DURING THE WEEK

*The Masses and other liturgies are now broadcast through the Cathedral website. The Cathedral Camera can be viewed via the website's main page.*

<b>Sunday</b> <i>Ss. Peter &amp; Paul</i>	11:00am 12:00pm 4:30pm	<b>Sung Mass:</b> the Cathedral Community Zoom Coffee Break ( <i>login details in the newsletter</i> ) Sung Evening Prayer and Benediction
<b>Monday</b>	09:30am 5:00pm	<b>Mass:</b> Colin Thomas, <i>RIP</i> Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
<b>Tuesday</b> <i>The First Martyrs of Rome</i>	09:30am 5:00pm	<b>Mass:</b> Good Estate: Chris O'Brien Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
<b>Wednesday</b>		
<b>Thursday</b>	12:00pm 5:00pm 6:00pm	<i>Lectio Divina</i> via Zoom ( <i>login details in the newsletter</i> ) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament <b>Mass:</b> John Scanlon, <i>RIP</i> (40th Anniv.)
<b>Friday</b> <i>St. Thomas</i>	09:30am	<b>Mass:</b> Intentions of the Holy Father <i>After Mass: First Friday Devotions, concluding with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament</i>
<b>Saturday</b> <i>Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	09:30am 5:00pm	<b>Mass:</b> Intentions of the Celebrant Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
<b>Sunday</b> <i>Fourteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time</i>	11:00am 12:00pm 4:30pm	<b>Sung Mass:</b> the Cathedral Community Zoom Coffee Break ( <i>login details in the newsletter</i> ) Sung Evening Prayer and Benediction

**Arandora Star** - This July marks the eightieth anniversary of the sinking of the Arandora Star. This converted cruise ship was carrying around 1500 Italian, Austrian and German internees and 'enemy aliens' to Canada when it was torpedoed by a German U-boat off the coast of Ireland on the 2nd of July 1940. Over 800 people lost their lives, the majority of whom were Italians.

Here at the Cathedral we are privileged to have a memorial to the Italian community from South Wales who lost their lives. Next Sunday, Archbishop George will preside at the **11:00am Sunday Mass**, which will include the solemn commemoration and blessing of the memorial.

## INFORMATION

### **Archbishop:**

Most Rev. George  
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### **Priest-In-Charge:**

Rev. Daniel  
Stanton

### **Parish Safeguarding:**

John Fellows  
(029) 20 23 14 07

### **Hospital Chaplaincy:**

If you, or a loved one, are admitted into hospital, please contact the hospital Chaplaincy team:

Contact - (029) 20 74 32 30

### **Chaplains:**

Rev. Peter Davies  
peter.davies4@wales.nhs.uk

Rev. David Pritchard  
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## First Friday Devotions

On Friday the 'First Friday devotions' takes place after the morning Mass. There will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, and devotions to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and will conclude with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

Our Lord revealed to St. Margaret Mary:

*"I promise you, in the excessive mercy of my Heart that my all powerful love will grant to all those who receive Holy Communion on the first Friday for nine consecutive months, the grace of final repentance; they shall not die in my*

*disgrace nor without receiving the sacraments; my divine Heart shall be their safe refuge in that last moment."*

## Lectio Divina

*via Zoom*

The virtual *Lectio Divina* Prayer Group continues via Zoom on **Thursday afternoon**, beginning at **12:00pm**. We pray with the Gospel reading for the following Sunday.

To enter the Zoom meeting, the Meeting ID is **868 571 1627**, and the password is **cathedral**.

## Month of the Sacred Heart ~

*Praying for our Priests*

As we conclude the month dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, this week we pray for the priests of the deanery of Our Lady of Penrhys:

- Rev. Allan Davies-Hale
- Rev. Barry English
- Rev. Christopher Hancock, MHM
- Rev. John Kelly
- Rev. Eddie O'Connell
- Rev. John Phillips
- Rev. Robert Reardon
- Rev. Dermot Tredget

## July ~ Month Dedicated to the Precious Blood of Christ

On Wednesday we begin the month of July, which is traditionally dedicated to the Precious Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ. It is a recognition of Jesus'

sacrifice and how he spilled his blood for the salvation of humanity. Furthermore, this blood is made present through the gift of the Eucharist and is something we can consume at Mass, along with the body of Christ, under the appearance of bread and wine. Devotion to the Precious Blood is one of the most ancient of pious Church practices. Sacred Scripture recalls seven Blood-shedding moments of Our Saviour:

1. The Circumcision of Our Lord
2. The Agony in the Garden
3. The Scourging at the Pillar
4. The Crowning with Thorns
5. The Way of the Cross
6. The Crucifixion
7. The Piercing of His Heart

St. John XXIII said in his encyclical on the Precious Blood (1960): *“As we now approach the feast and month devoted to honouring Christ’s Blood — the price of our redemption, the pledge of salvation and life eternal — may Christians meditate on it more fervently, may they savour its fruits more frequently in sacramental communion. Let their meditations on the boundless power of the Blood be bathed in the light of sound biblical teaching and the doctrine of the Fathers and Doctors of the Church”*.

I have included the *Litany of the Precious Blood* on the Cathedral website, which is encouraged to be prayed throughout the month of July. The page also contains a video presentation of the Litany, recorded for EWTN.

## St. Vincent de Paul Society

If you require the assistance of the Cathedral’s SVP group, please contact Kevin directly on this designated phone number - **07933 720 845**.

## Cathedral Zoom Coffee Break

The regular Zoom Coffee Breaks continue each Sunday after Mass, *beginning at 12:00pm*.

The meeting ID: **868-571-1627**. The password to enter the meeting is **‘cathedral’**.

## Reopening Our Cathedral

On Friday afternoon the Cathedral received the faculty from the Archdiocese to open the Cathedral. This means that we have complied with the government’s guidance on managing the risk of COVID-19. Once the PPE arrives at the Cathedral we will be able to open. Please continue to watch the Cathedral website and our social media platforms for up-to-date information about the re-opening of the Cathedral for private prayer.

*Domus mea domus  
orationis vocabitur*

*My house shall be called  
a house of prayer*