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SAINTS PETER AND PAUL

(Patron of the Diocese)
(JUNE 29, 2025)

Entrance Antiphon: **There are the ones who, living in the flesh,
planted the Church with their blood;
they drank the chalice of the Lord
and became the friends of God.**

Response to the Psalm: **From all my terrors the Lord set me free.**

Gospel Acclamation: **You are Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church,
and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.**

Communion Antiphon: **Peter said to Jesus: You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.
And Jesus replied: You are Peter,
and upon this rock I will build my Church.**

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

6.00pm (Sat) 8.00am, 9.30am, 11.00am

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 9.30am – 10am and 5pm - 5.30pm

THIS WEEK'S MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

SATURDAY (1 st Mass of Sunday)	06.00pm Mass – Zemira De Souza (Anniversary)
SUNDAY	08.00am Mass – Lucas Gonsalves (Intention) Elliot Fernandes (Intention)
	09.30am Mass – Magno & Ciono Pinto (Thanksgiving) Mariquinna Vas (RIP) Maximus Pereira (Intention)
	11.00am Mass - Dabney Afonso (Intention)
MONDAY	NO MASS
TUESDAY	09.00am Mass – Marcal Crasto (Intention)
WEDNESDAY	09.00am Mass - Private Intention
THURSDAY	09.00am Mass - Clemancy Fernandes (Intention) Piedade Fernandes (Anniversary)
FRIDAY	09.00am Mass - Casmiro Vas (RIP) Callum Cabral (Intention)

NEXT SUNDAY MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS (JULY 6, 2025)

SATURDAY (1 st Mass of Sunday)	06.00pm Mass – Private Intention
SUNDAY	08.00am Mass – Valliton Fernandes (RIP)
	09.30am Mass – Shweta Fernandes and family
	11.00am Mass - Piedade Andrade (RIP)

Church cleaning every Friday, after the Morning Mass. Your help would be much appreciated

PARISH PRIEST: Bishop Bosco has appointed a Parish Priest for St Marys. Fr Dominic Findlay-Wilson. Fr Dominic has been ordained for 11 years and is currently Parish Priest in Glastonbury in Somerset. Some of you will know him as he was an assistant Priest at Holy Rood Church in Swindon for some years. He will come to St Marys later in summer.

FATHER MICHAEL: As you already know Fr Michael will be leaving Swindon to take up a new appointment in South Bristol at the end of July.

CONFIRMATION: This week Bishop Bosco is coming to St Marys to celebrate the sacrament of confirmation. 66 young people are to be confirmed on Tuesday and Wednesday. Please pray for their intentions as they receive this great Sacrament.

RECENTLY DIED: Please remember to pray for the repose of the soul of Leokadia Anna Sabat who has died recently. The funeral at Kingsdown Cemetery on Tuesday 1st July at 12noon.

READERS ROTA: The Reader's Rota for June and July is now available. There are extra copies at the back of the Church.

MISSIO: There are handouts of 'Mission Today' magazine at the back of the Church for you to take home. Your support in whatever way you can, will help them carry out their work to the poor and needy around the world.

The 8TH Annual Youth Convention – THE GOOD SHEPHERD organised by the Goan Chaplaincy Swindon is taking place on July 19th 2025 at the CRYSTAL GRAND, Slough SL1 3UA There are Bus arrangements made from 7.30am at The Range, Fleming Way, Swindon SN1 2NN especially for the Youth between the age of 13-35 , to book your spot, the youth will have to register on the link below: <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/goanchaplaincyswindon/8th-annual-youth-convention-the-good-shepherd/e-ajgxxx> Poster at the back of the Church. See Poster on the board.

2025 GOAN SUMMER FESTIVAL will be held on 12th July 2025. Venue Stratton Juniors Football Club Cricklade Road, Swindon SN2 7AS from 11am till 9pm. See poster on the board at the back of the Church.

FOUNDATION GOVERNOR: If you care about children, believe in Catholic education, want to transform lives, then our Catholic schools need you! You could serve as a Foundation Governor or Director? Please take a letter from the Bishop from the back of the Church.

GIFT AID DONATIONS: Anyone who wishes to start donating weekly/ monthly either through Gift Aid envelopes or direct debit/ Standing order/ through offertory envelope donations order may ask for a form or speak to Fr. Michael or contact the Parish Office.

PARISH OFFERTORY: The offertory collection last Sunday came to £1553.73 and £500 in standing orders. Many thanks for your generosity.

OUR LADY OF FATIMA: The Parish statue of our Lady of Fatima is available for people to take to their home for prayer and for special occasions. For booking contact: **Natasha Vas** on Mobile 07720982226 after 4.30pm until 8pm.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS all those who are sick especially: Peter Hazel, Anna Tickner, Peadar Heffron, Sheila Hughes, Christopher and Cath Brown, Julia Harrison, Lena Watson, Cheryl Dawson, Louise Stacey, Irena Fliska, John Ruck, Emmanuella Ruck, Elizabeth McGill, Andrew McCarthy, Marie Lowe, Gill Young, Peggy Notley, Andrew Stacey, Pat Fox, Caroline Borg, Nellie Blake, Nicola Campbell, Tommy Fox

*"We need no wings to go in search of Him,
but have only to look upon Him present within us."
St. Teresa of Ávila*

SAINTS PETER AND PAUL

First reading

Acts 12:1-11

‘Now I am sure that the Lord has rescued me from the hand of Herod.’

In those days: Herod the king laid violent hands on some who belonged to the church. He killed James the brother of John with the sword, and when he saw that it pleased the Jews, he proceeded to arrest Peter also. This was during the days of Unleavened Bread. And when he had seized him, he put him in prison, delivering him over to four squads of soldiers to guard him, intending after the Passover to bring him out to the people. So Peter was kept in prison, but earnest prayer for him was made to God by the church.

Now when Herod was about to bring him out, on that very night, Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, bound with two chains, and sentries before the door were guarding the prison. And behold, an angel of the Lord stood next to him, and a light shone in the cell. He struck Peter on the side and woke him, saying, ‘Get up quickly.’ And the chains fell off his hands. And the angel said to him, ‘Dress yourself and put on your sandals.’ And he did so. And he said to him, ‘Wrap your cloak round you and follow me.’ And he went out and followed him. He did not know that what was being done by the angel was real, but thought he was seeing a vision. When they had passed the first and the second guard, they came to the iron gate leading into the city. It opened for them of its own accord, and they went out and went along one street, and immediately the angel left him. When Peter came to himself, he said, ‘Now I am sure that the Lord has sent his angel and rescued me from the hand of Herod and from all that the Jewish people were expecting.’

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 34(33):2-3. 4-5. 6-7. 8-9. R5

From all my terrors the LORD set me free.

I will bless the LORD at all times,
praise of him is always in my mouth.
In the LORD my soul shall make its boast;
the humble shall hear and be glad.

From all my terrors the LORD set me free.

Glorify the LORD with me;
together let us praise his name.
I sought the LORD, and he answered me;
from all my terrors he set me free.

From all my terrors the LORD set me free.

Look towards him and be radiant;
let your faces not be abashed.
This lowly one called; the LORD heard,
and rescued him from all his distress.

From all my terrors the LORD set me free.

The angel of the LORD is encamped
around those who fear him, to rescue them.
Taste and see that the LORD is good.
Blessed the man who seeks refuge in him.

From all my terrors the LORD set me free.

Second reading

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18

‘There is laid up for me the crown of righteousness.’

Beloved: I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that day, and not only to me, but also to all who have loved his appearing.

The Lord stood by me and strengthened me, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion’s mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil deed and bring me safely into his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 16:18

Alleluia, alleluia.

You are Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church,
and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

Alleluia.

Gospel

Matthew 16:13-19

‘You are Peter, and I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven.’

At that time: When Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, ‘Who do people say that the Son of Man is?’ And they said, ‘Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.’ He said to them, ‘But who do you say that I am?’ Simon Peter replied, ‘You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.’ And Jesus answered him, ‘Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.’