

NEWSLETTER

Gospel Reflection

You may not know that, elementally, coal and diamonds are the same - made from carbon. As unlikely a pairing as you might imagine yet both known for their light - a light that shines in different ways.

Their expression of light is different but it is light - light that is neither immediately apparent nor easy to get to. The diamond needs to be studied, mathematically evaluated to find the exact cut and facets; the coal is sorted, crushed and burnt; through the cracking and cutting the light gets out.

Such light is within each of us; as it was within Peter and Paul. They may be giants of the church - go to St Peters in Rome and see them standing 40 or 50 feet tall - but they are just like us; with all the faults and failings that humanity has to offer; which were offered into the fire of discipleship. They were never perfect - which gives us all hope. In fact it was their failings that saved them - that allowed Love to enter where reason and strength would not.





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"United in conviction and united
 in love, with a common purpose
 and a common mind"
 Philippians 2:2

 30th JUNE 2024  ST PETER & ST PAUL (CYCLE B) MASS & SERVICE TIMES		
Saturday 29th June	5:15pm	Mass
Sunday 30th June	10:00am	Mass (Livestreamed)
Monday 1st July	10:00am	Mass
Tuesday 2nd July	10:00am	Mass
Wednesday 3rd July	10:00am	Mass
Thursday 4th July		No Mass (due to elections)
Friday 5th July		No Mass
Saturday 6th July	5:15pm	Mass
Sunday 7th July	10:00am	Mass (Livestreamed)

BAPTISM PREPARATION

If you wish to make preparations for your child to be Baptised you should telephone Fr Simon.

Following this there are Meetings on the first Friday of each month at 7:30pm that you will need to attend, where you will meet Mrs Gerri Doherty and Deacon Tony Ford.

If Fr Simon is unobtainable please leave a message and send an email to stjosephwinsford2012@hotmail.co.uk

200 CLUB DRAW

Winner: £40 Prize
This week – Mrs Barbara Carney

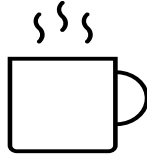
**WHY NOT JOIN THE 200 CLUB
AND HELP THE PARISH?**

SPECTACLES FOR MISSIONS

Please continue to bring in your unwanted spectacles and cases

Coffee morning

The coffee morning on Tuesday raised £150, thank you to everyone who organised the coffee morning and thank you to everyone who came along to support the event. The next coffee morning is in September.



Sister Helena

We are sorry to tell you Sister Helena died last week. She was a much loved Sister in our Parish and was greatly missed when all of the Sisters left. Sister Helena still kept in touch with different parishioners and liked to know how everyone was getting on. Please keep her in your prayers. Pray also for Sisters Lydia, Kathleen and Magdalen, who will miss her so much as they are not very well and Sister Helena looked after them so much.

PARISH CENTRE BOOKING ENQUIRIES

If you are interested in hiring the Parish Centre for a function, please contact Phil Martin on 07720 807162

Prayer for our Parish:

Father, pour out your Spirit upon the people of this parish
and grant us a new vision of your glory,
a new experience of your power, a new faithfulness to your word
and a new consecration to your service,
that your love may grow among us and your kingdom come,
through Christ our Lord.

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St Joseph pray for us

Gospel Matthew 16 13 - 19



When Jesus arrived in the villages of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "What are people saying about who the Son of Man is?"

They replied, "Some think he is John the Baptizer, some say Elijah, some Jeremiah or one of the other prophets."

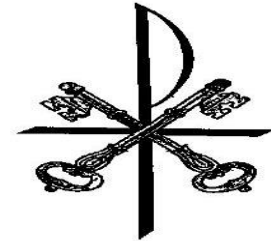
He pressed them, "And how about you? Who do you say I am?"

Simon Peter said, "You're the Christ, the Messiah, the Son of the living God."

Jesus came back, "God bless you, Simon, son of Jonah! You didn't get that answer out of books or from teachers. My Father in heaven, God himself, let you in on this secret of who I really am. And now I'm going to tell you who you are, *really* are. You are Peter, a rock. This is the rock on which I will put together my church, a church so expansive with energy that not even the gates of hell will be able to keep it out.

And that's not all. You will have complete and free access to God's kingdom, keys to open any and every door: no more barriers between heaven and earth, earth and heaven.

A yes on earth is yes in heaven.
A no on earth is no in heaven."



"Preach the Gospel always, if necessary use words"

St Francis of Assisi