

Entrance Antiphon
These 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.

Collect
O God, who on the Solemnity of the Apostles Peter and Paul
give us the noble and holy joy of this day,
grant, we pray, that your Church
may in all things follow the teaching
of those through whom she received
the beginnings of right religion.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

First reading
Acts 12:1-11

King Herod started persecuting certain members of the Church. He beheaded James the brother of John, and when he saw that this pleased the Jews he decided to arrest Peter as well. This was during the days of Unleavened Bread, and he put Peter in prison, assigning four squads of four soldiers each to guard him in turns. Herod meant to try Peter in public after the end of Passover week. All the time Peter was under guard the Church prayed to God for him unremittingly.

On the night before Herod was to try him, Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, fastened with double chains, while guards kept watch at the main entrance to the prison. Then suddenly the angel of the Lord stood there, and the cell was filled with light. He tapped Peter on the side and woke him. ‘Get up!’ he said ‘Hurry!’ – and the chains fell from his hands. The angel then said, ‘Put on your belt and sandals.’ After he had done this, the angel next said, ‘Wrap your cloak round you and follow me.’ Peter followed him, but had no idea that what the angel did was all happening in reality; he thought he was seeing a vision. They passed through two guard posts one after the other, and reached the iron gate leading to the city. This opened of its own accord; they went through it and had walked the whole length of one street when suddenly the angel left him. It was only then that Peter came to himself. ‘Now I know it is all true’ he said. ‘The Lord really did send his angel and has saved me from Herod and from all that the Jewish people were so certain would happen to me.’

Psalm
Psalm 33:2-9

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

I will bless the Lord at all times,
his praise always on my lips;
in the Lord my soul shall make its boast.
The humble shall hear and be glad. **R.**

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. **R.**

Look towards him and be radiant;
let your faces not be abashed.
This poor man called, the Lord heard him
and rescued him from all his distress. **R.**

The angel of the Lord is encamped
around those who revere him, to rescue them.
Taste and see that the Lord is good.
He is happy who seeks refuge in him. **R.**

Second reading
2 Timothy 4:6-8,17-18

My life is already being poured away as a libation, and the time has come for me to be gone. I have fought the good fight to the end; I have run the race to the finish; I have kept the faith; all there is to come now is the crown of righteousness reserved for me, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that Day; and not only to me but to all those who have longed for his Appearing.

The Lord stood by me and gave me power, so that through me the whole message might be proclaimed for all the pagans to hear; and so I was *rescued from the lion’s mouth*. The Lord will rescue me from all evil attempts on me, and bring me safely to his heavenly kingdom. To him be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Gospel Acclamation
Mt16:18

Alleluia, alleluia!
You are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church.
And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it.
Alleluia!

Gospel
Matthew 16:13-19

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi he put this question to his disciples, ‘Who do people say the Son of Man is?’ And they said, ‘Some say he is John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.’ ‘But you,’ he said ‘who do you say I am?’ Then Simon Peter spoke up, ‘You are the Christ,’ he said ‘the Son of the living God.’ Jesus replied, ‘Simon son of Jonah, you are a happy man! Because it was not flesh and blood that revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. So I now say to you: You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church. And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it. 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.’

Communion Antiphon
Cf. Mt 16: 16, 18

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 11.15am Mass		
Entrance Antiphon		Now I know that the Lord really has sent his Angel, and has delivered me out of the hands of Herod, and from all that the Jewish people were expecting.
Comm. Antiphon		You are Peter and upon this rock will I build my Church.
Proc	260	For all the saints
Off	443	Lord, accept the gifts
Com	165	Be still, for the presence of the Lord
Com		Christ be near—Celtic Invocation
Rec	246	Faith of our fathers

Sunday Bulletin

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Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles

Meditation

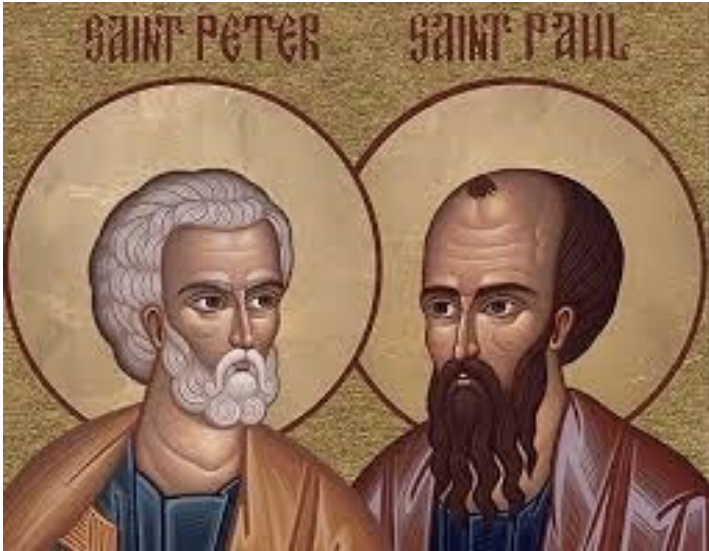
On this day the Church of Rome celebrates its apostolic foundation. The earliest liturgical texts maintain the unity of this solemnity. The presence of separate basilicas dedicated to the cult of Peter and Paul eventually gave rise to two successive days of celebration. The original unity of this solemnity has been restored in the revision of the Roman calendar. The fixing of this date for the celebration of their martyrdom goes back to the Depositio Martyrum (258).

Peter and Paul are the two pillars of the Church whom ancient liturgy and iconography never separate. The confession of faith is the particular trait which earns Simon surname Peter and the mission to guide and to strengthen his brothers and sister and thus to built the Church. It seem strange that God entrusted such a demanding task to this rough, unpolished man, who had no exceptional gifts, who was at times so weak. How much wiser it would have seemed to assign this ministry to Paul! Although a latecomer to Christianity, he appears to have been so much better prepared by his brilliant formation at the hands of well-know teachers.

Always alert, animated by an extraordinary energy and by exclusive passion for the One whom he had at first persecuted in this Church, he becomes the instrument chosen to reveal the gospel of salvation to the Gentiles. Paul, whom no trial could separate from the love of Christ, will never deny him.

Each of them has a place in the development of the faith: Peter, the guide, through his role of direction and confirmation; Paul, the sower, through his energy and gift for adaption. Their meeting at Jerusalem and at Antioch show their common inspiration as well as their confrontations. It is a Rome, where they both receive the crown of martyrdom, that they are ultimately united in that charity which they always sought to promote. The dialogue between institucion (Peter) and charism (Paul) is not always peaceful, but it alone moves history forward.

For the Church of Peter and Paul to escape sclerosis, it must join movement to direction, the overall good of the institution to the particular challenge of charism.



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Confessions

Tuesdays:

6pm

Saturdays:

10.30am & 6pm

Prayer of the Church

Morning Prayer

Saturday: 9.40am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Monday to Saturday —1 hour before Mass

Communion for Sick and Housebound

Trudy Coker (See above)

Family Planning Nature’s Way

Margaret Hammond (07891) 358 114 mghammond13@yahoo.co.uk

Cathedral Car Parking

Mass Times

Date	Details	Service	Time	Mass Intentions
Sun 29th	Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul	Mass Mass-Polish Mass Mass-Polish Mass	8.00am 9.30am 11.15am 3.00pm 6.00pm	Catherine Scott RIP Parish Intentions Golden Jubilee
Mon 30th		Mass Comm. Service	7.00am 12.30pm	Private Intention
Tue 1st		Mass	7.00pm	Private Intention
Wed 2nd		Mass	12.30pm	
Thu 3rd	Feast of St Thomas	Mass	7.00pm	Lauka Neduvekik
Fri 4th		Mass	12.30pm	
Sat 5th		Mass Mass	10.00am 7.00pm	Okoro Okey
Sun 6th		Mass Mass-Polish Mass Mass-Polish Mass	8.00am 9.30am 11.15am 3.00pm 6.00pm	Mrs. E.Dieseru Parish Intentions

PARISH HOLIDAY TIMETABLE

The parish will be going to a holiday timetable in July. During that time there will be no: 7am Masses, Thursday Evening Prayer or Saturday night Holy Hour.

Mass Intention Envelopes

Found at the back of the Church. Add details & post through Clergy House letter box (please do not put into the Offertory basket). Recommended offering for each Mass Requested is £5.

Mass Intentions.

Please note that due to the number of intentions it may not be possible for Mass to be celebrated on your preferred date or at the Cathedral itself. Note also that the Sunday 11.15 am Mass is normally reserved for the Administrator’s Intentions for the Parish.

Offertory 22/06/14: £3019.55

Polish: £710.00

Coffee after Mass

St Vincent de Paul

May 21/22 £191.02 Polish: £40.00
Donations: Ike Ezeogu £30.00;
Anon. £20.00. Food: £ 138.15

Deanery & Diocese

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE

Fatima Salamanca Avila

11— 18th October

Organised by Pax Travel: info@paxtravel.co.uk
(020) 7485 3003
Limited spaces—book early.
See poster on notice board for more

WORKSHOP FOR CATECHISTS

Saturday 14th June
Greyfriars Convent , Elgin
10.45 am - 3.45pm
(01224) 638 675 or office@ogilvie.ac.uk

FREE ORGAN RECITALS!

Ronald Leith, the Cathedral’s acclaimed resident organist can be heard playing at the Cathedral most week days from 9:00am to 11:00 am.

MONASTIC EXPERIENCE WEEKEND

The monks of Pluscarden Abbey offer a special opportunity to see at first hand what monastic life is about, from 7th to 10th Nov. There will be no charge for the weekend.

The invitation is extended to single young Catholic men who practise their faith, aged 18 - 35.

Contact Fr. Benedict Hardy OSB: novicemaster@pluscardenabbey.org

Cathedral News

28th June from 8:00pm to 11:00pm Night Fever at the Cathedral Vigil of Prayer and Evangelisation

PETER’S PENCE

There will be a second collection on the weekend of June 28/29th for Peter’s Pence. The collection is intended for use by the Pope in his worldwide humanitarian efforts.

HEALING SERVICE

Healing Service in the Cathedral after the 7pm Mass on Thursday 3rd July. Rosary, Prayer and Praise as well as Individual prayer for HEALING.

CATHOLIC WOMEN’S ORGANISATION (C.W.O)

The next meeting for the C.W.O. will be on Sunday 6th July after the 11.15am mass, in the Chapter Room. All women are welcome.

SEA SUNDAY

Sea Sunday will be on July 13th this year. It is when you are asked to encourage, pray and financially contribute to support the work of the Apostleship of the Sea. This collection is vital for the future of the Apostleship of the Sea and their support to seafarers.

FUNDRAISING FOR MACIEK

Thank you to all who supported this. We managed to raise £2,074.29.

OPEN DAY

Thanks to all who returned completed Anagram Quiz Forms the winning sheet drawn by Deacon John Wire was Miss E Ross.

FUND RAISING

Free tubes of Smarties are available if you promise to return the tube full of coins. Thank you to all who are already filling a tube, please hand them to a steward or into the cathedral house as soon as possible.

BOOKSHOP SALE

Great Bargains
New CTS Titles:

‘Discovering the New Testament’
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Pope Francis, ‘The Sacraments’
Pope Francis, ‘What is the Church?’
‘Who is the Devil’
All these titles and more can be viewed on the CTS stand outside the Book Shop

BOOKSHOP NEWS

Volunteers needed for bookshop
Contact Deacon Tony Schmitz:
deacon@cathedral-abdn.org

ALTAR ASSOCIATION

A new group for young girls from the age of 12 who would like to help decorate and care for the altars and Lady Chapel. Contact Chig-ozie - (07456)426102

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO PLUSCARDEN ABBEY

SUNDAY 29TH JUNE

1.00pm – 3.00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (Lady Chapel)
1.00pm – 3.00pm Confessions (St. Benedict’s Retreat)
3.30pm Pilgrimage Mass & Marian Procession
(In honour of Our Lady and Ss Peter & Paul)
Refreshments available in the marquee from 12 noon

NEW DAWN IN SCOTLAND

Catholic Pilgrimage Conference
7th– 11th July
Daily Mass - Reconciliation - Teaching - Healing -International & Local Speakers
For more information Contact: (01314) 476 153

Youth

DIOCESAN YOUTH PILGRIMAGE (12—17yrs)

6th to 7th July
Join us for a walking pilgrimage for teenagers which will include visits to Pluscarden Abbey, Greyfriars Convent, Elgin Cathedral, St Ninian’s Chapel – Tynet, and St Peter’s Church – Buckie. Meals and overnight accommodation will be provided (notice board for details).

Young Adult Group (18-35)

Wednesdays at 7.00pm
Upper Room @ St Peter’s Church

St Patrick Youth Pilgrimage to Ireland

For Teens aged 12-17
9th - 17th August
Details St Andrew’s Community at:
standrewscommunity@cathedral-abdn.org
or phone (07754) 891 808

Nazareth

Check out the new diocesan youth website: <http://nazareth.dioceseofaberdeen.org>

Weekly Calendar

Mon

Credo Community Meeting

Polish charismatic prayer group.
Main Hall at 7.30pm .
Contact: Fr Tomasz Klin SJ

Tue

Magnificat Prayer Group

Main Hall after Mass
Contact: Paul Akagwu (07574) 103 852

St. Vincent de Paul

Feeding the homeless
Contact: Evelyn Murray

RCIA

For those interested in learning more about the Faith.
Clergy House after Mass
Contact: Parish Office or Deacon Tony

Wed

Light Exercise Class for all

Main Hall—10:00am
Contact: Laura Walker (0777 3) 021 851
laura@laurawalkerlimited.co.uk

African Choir

For Africans and anyone else.
Upper Hall from 6 - 8.00pm
Contact: Kingsley Emeje (07956) 039 763

Thu

Healing of Memories

Prayer for the healing of painful memories of the past so as to bring peace to the present.
Clergy House at 2.30pm (by appointment)
Contact: Deacon Tony

Legion of Mary

Members serve the Church as needed
Lower Hall at 5.30pm
Contact: Jide Okwujiako
jedarkor@yahoo.com

Flower Arrangers

Contact: Pixie Mather (01224) 321 953

Cenacolo Prayer Group

Exposition & Rosary praying for healing of those with addictions.
Church after Mass
Contact: Liam Sharkey (07774) 931 996
liam.sharkey@fsmail.net

6pm Music Group

Contemporary music for the Sunday 6pm Mass
Upper Hall after Mass
Contact: Margaret Spence
mag.m.spencer@btinternet.com

Fri

Our Lady of Aberdeen Prayer Group

Gentle prayer & praise
Chapter Room from 1.30 - 2.30pm
Contact: Pixie Mather (01224) 321 953

Sat

Church Cleaning

Church at 10.30am
Contact: Joyce Webster (01224) 319 154

African Choir

As above
Upper Hall from 6 - 8.00pm

Holy Hour

Not During July

Sun

11:15 Choir

Leading the music for 11:15 Sunday Mass
Upper Hall at 10 am
Contact: David & Liz Meiklejohn

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