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Ss Peter and Paul

30th June 2019

PARISH LITURGY – MASS TIMES and INTENTIONS

Saturday	6.00 pm	People of the Parish
Sunday	9.30 am	Peter McCarthy

Second Collection for Peter's Pence

Monday [St Oliver Plunkett, bishop and martyr]

9.00 am Mr and Mrs Connelly

Tuesday [Feria]

9.00 am Isabel Margaret Kay

Wednesday [St Thomas, apostle]

9.00 am Lily McDaid

Thursday [Feria]

9.00 am Patrick Quinn

Friday [Feria]

9.00 am Welfare of Sue Slater

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at the end of Mass until 10.00 am

Saturday [Feria (of Our Lady)]

9.00 am Sr Mary Dominic Dickinson

Confessions: Saturday, 4.30-5.00 pm

Please pray for the sick in our parish and those who have died: **Benjamin Joseph Palmer; Stella Ida Harriman; Julie Kennett** (anniversaries).

Last Week's Collection: £370.00. Thank you.

June is a month of devotion to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. At the end of Mass today, for the last time this year, we shall recite the following prayer:

Sweet Jesus, through Your tender love for the Church, Your Spouse, You opened to her the riches of Your Sacred Heart; grant that our hearts may be enriched by the treasures it contains and replenished with its overflowing and unfailing delights. Heart of Jesus, burning with love

for us, inflame our hearts with love of You.

This day has been made holy by the martyrdom of the blessed apostles Peter and Paul. I am not here speaking of some unknown martyrs. 'For their fame has penetrated every land and their message has reached the end of the earth.' These martyrs saw what they proclaimed. They followed the path of integrity, professed the truth, and die for it.

The blessed Peter, foremost among the apostles, the passionate love of Christ, heard his merits acknowledged: 'I say to you that you are Peter.' He himself declared: 'You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.' Christ replied: 'I say to you that you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church.' He meant: 'Upon this rock I will build the faith which you profess. Because you said to me, "you are the Christ, the Son of the living God", I will build my Church on you. For you are Peter.' Peter's name is derived from the word for rock and not vice versa. In the same way a Christian is named after Christ....

One day is assigned for the celebration of the martyrdom of two apostles. But these two were one. Although their martyrdom occurred on different days, they were one. Peter went first, Paul followed. We celebrate the feast day which is made sacred for us by the blood of these apostles. Let us love their faith, their life, their trials, their passion, their profession, their teaching.

From a sermon of St Augustine of Hippo
