

Newsletter for the Parish of Saint Edmund Arrowsmith
Served by the Churches of Sacred Heart and St Joseph



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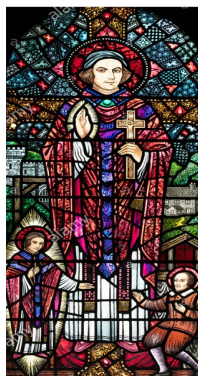
Wed, 10am—2pm **SH**

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Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul

28th June 2026



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Food for Thought

As we celebrate this feast of Saints Peter and Paul, we are reminded how they guided the early Church. The authority given to Saint Peter was passed down and is still passed down to his successor Pope Leo. Peter kept the Church united which was growing rapidly in the years following Pentecost, and Paul was outstanding in spreading the Word of God. They were very different but were complimentary with each other. **So, what can we learn from these two great apostles?** Just as the Lord called them in different ways, we are also called in many different ways to follow the Lord throughout our lives. We may look at others and feel that they may have more important gifts—or feel rather inadequate about our own, but whatever our gifts are—they are the right ones for us! God knows our strengths and our weaknesses, and He also knows our potential!

In today's Gospel, Jesus asks all His disciples two crucial questions...**Who do you say I am?** We ponder on these words so that like Peter and Paul we can build up the Kingdom of God...united in our love of the Lord and our openness to Him. We praise Him for these two ordinary men, who went on to do extraordinary things...paying the price...so that all who came after them would have the opportunity to embrace and spread the faith!

Praise Him!

Welcome

This weekend we welcome back to our Parish, Fr. Patsy Foley who will celebrate our three weekend Masses, and two weekday Masses for us.

**The Pope's Intention for July:
For respect for human life**

Let us pray for the respect and protection of human life in all its stages, recognising it as a gift from God.

Sanctuary Lamps

This week our Sanctuary Lamp will shine for:

Humanitarian Needs

at St Joseph's Church
and

Respect for Human Life

at Sacred Heart Church

Mass Times, Services and Intentions

Saturday 27th June *Vigil of Saints Peter and Paul*

St Joseph's	4.30pm	Mass	John Prince Birthday Memorial
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Sunday 28th June *Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul*

St Joseph's	9.30am	Mass	Kath Brady RIP
Sacred Heart	11.00am	Mass	Special Intention

Monday 29th June *Week 13 in Ordinary Time*

St Joseph's	12.00pm	Mass	Joyce Nuttall Anniversary
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Tuesday 30th June *Week 13 in Ordinary Time*

Sacred Heart	12.00pm	Mass	Trev Picking RIP
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Wednesday 1st July *Week 13 in Ordinary Time*

St Joseph's	12.00pm	-	NO MASS
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Thursday 2nd July *Week 13 in Ordinary Time*

Sacred Heart	10.00am	-	NO MASS
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Friday 3rd July *Feast of St Thomas*

St Joseph's	9.30am	-	NO MASS
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Saturday 4th July *Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

St Joseph's	4.30pm	Mass	Sandra Newton Anniversary & Birthday Memorial
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Sunday 5th July *Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

St Joseph's	9.30am	Mass	Theresa Burton Anniversary
Sacred Heart	11.00am	Mass	Success in GCSE Exams—Markus
Sacred Heart	12.30pm	Baptisms	Mila Threadgill & George Wilkinson

Second Collection

Peter's Pence

This weekends second collection is for Peter's Pence.

Peter's Pence is a global collection that enables the faithful to provide direct financial support to the Holy Father. The offerings you make are destined for Church needs, humanitarian initiatives, and social promotion projects.

BBC Songs of Praise Special –

Young Chorister of the Year—8th/9th July 2026

The BBC have invited parishes, churches and choirs in the Archdiocese of Liverpool to come along to the filming of Young Chorister of the Year at the iconic Halle St Peter's in Manchester.

Book your FREE tickets here: lostintv.tv-show?id=1436

Summer Raffle

Our summer raffle will be drawn next **Sunday 5th July**.

Tickets are still on sale before and after this weekends Masses. Raffle Tickets are **£2** a strip, with **five** chances to win great prizes. Thank you for your continued support.

A Mother's Warmth

Icon Exhibition at the Metropolitan Cathedral
30th June – 30th August. The Metropolitan Cathedral will be hosting *Mother's Warmth*, an exhibition by Bulgarian artist Dian Kostov. Through contemporary artwork inspired by the image of the Virgin Mary as Mother, the exhibition considers how compassion and care for one another can bring hope and healing in a divided world.

Tea & Coffee

Tea & Coffee will be held after the 11am Mass today.

Sick and Housebound

We hold in prayer all who are sick in body, mind or spirit and those who

care for them:

James Allen

Nuala Conroy

Brother John Dawson SCJ

Sean Fleming

Marian Hindley

Brenda Jones

Kitty Jones

Iris McKiernan

Josie Martland

John Mulligan

Josie Newell

Paul Ross

Barbara Wilkinson

May the risen Lord embrace them with healing love.

Recently Deceased

We pray for those who have died

John Brian Ridyard

and those whose

anniversary occurs at this time, may the peace of our risen Lord Jesus enfold us all.