



Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

This Sunday we celebrate the Feast of two great saints who have helped to share faith throughout the world, St Peter and St Paul.

In this Sunday's Gospel, Peter professes his faith in Jesus as the Christ, the Son of the living God. Jesus then gives Peter the important task of leading the Church - a duty which is now undertaken by Pope Francis.

Helping our children to grow in faith, to know and to love God, is one of the greatest gifts we can give them. Faith in God transforms how we see the world and helps us to keep growing in our love for each other too.

Enjoy hearing your child's thoughts about this Sunday's Gospel and this Wednesday's word, which is **FAITH**.

*Dom Henry Wansbrough*



**A Word from Pope Francis**

*"The family is the place where parents become their children's first teachers in the faith. How beautiful it is to support each other in the wonderful adventure of faith!"*

## THE GOSPEL IN CHURCH Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2024



When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi he put this question to his disciples, "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."

*Adapted from Matthew 16:13-19  
The Feast of Ss Peter and Paul, Year B*

**Getting to know Jesus makes life joyful.  
Learn more about this Sunday's Gospel in your local Parish Church: all are very warmly invited.**

**2024 The Year of Prayer: Family Time Prayer & Share**

**Good News for Everyone**

Having faith is to believe and trust in God's love for us. Faith is one of life's greatest blessings. The Church exists to help people to grow in their faith and there's no better time than now to explore and refresh your faith. Find out more at: [cbcew.org.uk](http://cbcew.org.uk)





# Good News for Families

## 10 MINUTE TOGETHER TIME



### Sunday Gospel Gallery

Imagine you are here with Jesus. What can you see? How do you feel? What does it make you think about?

### 1 READ & REFLECT! Listen & Learn with Jesus, the Word!

Jesus asked his disciples, "Who do you say I am?" Simon Peter spoke up and said, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." Jesus replied, "Simon, you are a happy man! Because this was made known to you by my Father in heaven. So from now on you will be called Peter, which means 'rock', and on this rock I will build my Church. I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven."

#### What was Simon Peter's reply to Jesus?

Which word or words stood out for you in this Sunday's Gospel, and why? Spend a few relaxing moments pondering the picture together. Share any thoughts before moving on.

### 2 SHARE & CARE! Growing in Goodness & Love: This Wednesday's Word...

"Faith and love are everything, and nothing is more precious than these." *St Ignatius of Antioch*

# FAITH



Faith is a gift from God that greatly enriches our lives. A family full of faith is a family full of joy. Ask your child what the word 'faith' means to them. Who do they know who has great faith in God? Who helps them to grow in faith and learn more about God? You may want to tell your child about someone in the family, at school or in the parish who helped you to grow in faith when you were young.



Putting our faith in Jesus helps us to know God as our loving Father and helps happiness and love to grow in our families. As a family, what can you do, in these coming weeks, to help your faith to grow? Perhaps you can: regularly read and talk about God together and with others; read the gospels; say morning or bedtime prayers together; ask God to help you grow in faith; follow Jesus by loving others; visit your local parish church for more ideas.

### 3 \* Dear Lord Jesus, thank you for the gift of faith. Please increase the faith of our family so that we can know you more closely. Amen. \*



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## WEDNESDAY WORDSEARCH

SMARTSEARCHERS FIND THESE EIGHT WORDS EITHER ACROSS OR DOWN



FATHER HEAVEN



GAVE PETER



FAITH BELIEF



JESUS SON



SUPERSEARCHERS FIND THE WORDS BACKWARDS OR DIAGONALLY

Cross out the letters **u b w** in the jumbled words below to find **4** real words.

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Simon Peter \_\_\_\_\_ up and \_\_\_\_\_, "You are the \_\_\_\_\_," the Son of the \_\_\_\_\_ God."



Find and draw 5 differences, then colour the picture



On Sunday, we celebrate the Feast of St Peter & St Paul. Each year, Mission Together helps us to celebrate this special feast day through their 'Day of Many Colours'. More at: [missiontogether.org.uk/day-of-many-colours](http://missiontogether.org.uk/day-of-many-colours)



This week I will try my best to...



Write a promise & draw a big smile on Smiley