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24th Sunday
of
Ordinary
Time



Dear Friends,

After being on a long journey with the disciples and being with them through many exiting, challenging, and even painful experiences, Jesus raised questions about people's opinion about him and finally the most important question: "who do you say that I am?" Peter proclaimed Jesus as the "Christ", the Messiah they were waiting for.

Those of us who have known Jesus and walked with him for some time must still listen and keep responding to that question: Who Jesus is for us and how important he has become for

us. We need to deepen our own vision of Jesus...

Jesus teaches the disciples about the cost of following him – suffering, rejection, cross, death and resurrection. **Reflect on the cost of being a disciple. How much of yourself are you prepared to invest and what are you prepared to give?**

Peter came to the defence of Jesus. Jesus challenged Peter to get behind him and follow him and his way... the way of suffering, sacrifice, total giving, even in death... Peter was given a new vision, a new way of seeing and thinking and following... a way of seeing things God’s way, not his way...

Be docile... Be discerning... Learn to see things God’s way...

Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)

When	Where	Masses Requested	Saints & Feasts
Sat 14 th Sep 5.30pm	St. Peter’s		Adoration followed by Mass
Sun 15 th Sep 9.00am 11.00am	St. Michael’s St. Peter’s	Graham Wright - RIP Konrad Rzeminski - RIP	Twenty Fourth Sunday
Mon 16 th Sep 9.30am	St. Peter’s		Sts. Cornelius and Cyprian
Tue 17 th Sep	No Mass		St Edith of Wilton
Wed 18 th Sep	No Mass		
Thu 19 th Sep 9.30am	St. Peter’s		Sts Andrew Kim Tae-gon Paul Chong Has-ang & Companions, Martyrs
Fri 20 th Sep 9.30am	St. Peter’s		

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION
 In St. Peter’s Saturday 5.15pm to 5.45pm
 In St. Michael’s Wednesday 10.30am to 11.00am and by appointment, please ring to arrange.
 Thank you.

A Warm Welcome: today is Sunday 15th September. As always, we welcome visitors and newcomers to join our “regulars,” asking Almighty God to bestow His blessings and graces on us all. You are most welcome to join us for coffee and tea in the Parish Hall.

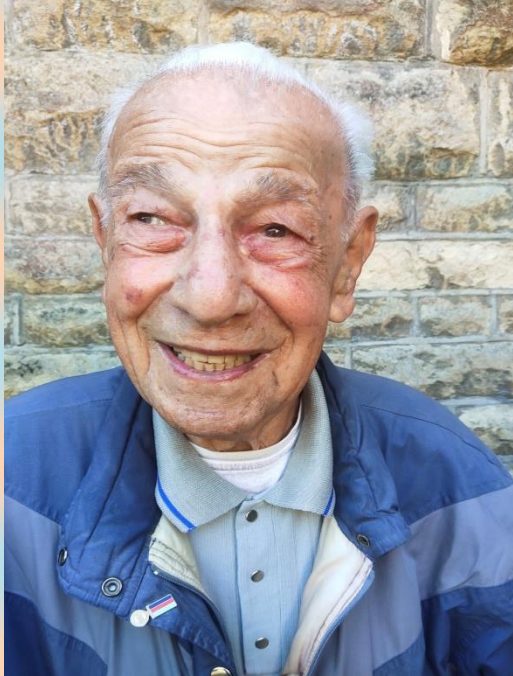
Today (Sunday): we have the second collection for Bishop’s conference.

Join Us for the Holy Rosary Every Friday at St. Peter's!

We are excited to announce that every Friday, immediately after Mass, we will be gathering to pray with the Holy Rosary together. This is a special opportunity to come together as a community, seek the intercession of Our Lady, and deepen our connection with God. Whether you're a regular participant or new to this devotion, we warmly invite you to join us in this powerful prayer. Let’s unite ourselves in faith, reflect on the mysteries of Christ's life, and receive the abundant blessings that come through Mary, our Mother.



Mark your calendars, bring your Rosary beads, and experience the peace and grace that the Rosary brings. See you there! But that's not all! After the Rosary, you are warmly invited to enjoy refreshments in the parish hall, where we can connect and share in fellowship.



Happy 97th, Charles! 🎉

Celebrating a Remarkable Milestone!

St. Peter's Parish is overjoyed to celebrate the 97th birthday of one of our most beloved and dedicated parishioners, **Charles Pace!** For decades, Charles has been a pillar of faith and commitment in our church community, inspiring us all with his unwavering devotion and kind spirit.

As he marks this incredible milestone, we join together in wishing him a very **Happy Birthday!** Let us continue to keep Charles in our prayers, asking the Lord to bless him with good health, joy, and peace in the years to come.

May God shower His choicest blessings upon Charles, and may his life continue to be a shining example of faith and grace.

The Legion of Mary is coming to St. Peter's!

We are glad to announce the launch of the **Legion of Mary** at St. Peter's Church, one of the Catholic Church's most cherished and impactful lay apostolic movements. The first gathering will take place on the second Friday of October in the parish hall, and will continue on the second Friday of every month thereafter. This gathering will offer us the opportunity to deepen our devotion to Our Lady, grow in faith, and engage in meaningful spiritual works.

The Legion of Mary invites all to experience the beauty of serving Christ through Mary. Whether you're familiar with the Legion or joining for the first time, we welcome you with open arms to be part of this inspiring journey of prayer, service, and fellowship.



Catholic Agency for
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Harvest Fast Day is on the 4th of October

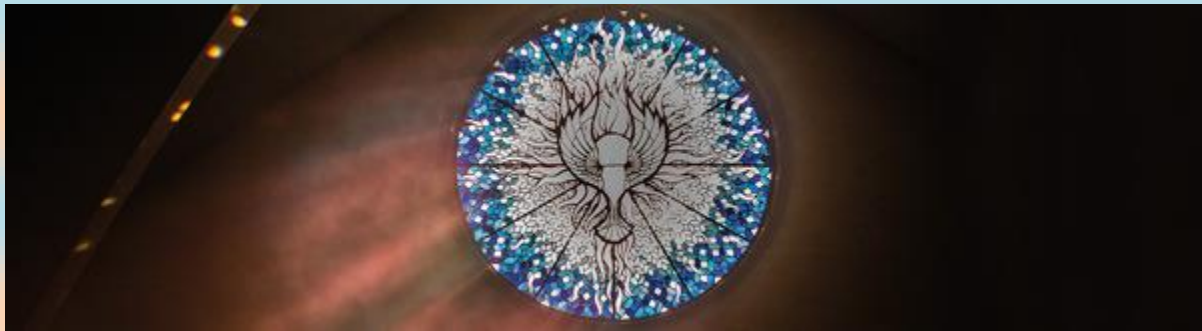
The vastness of global struggles can feel overwhelming. However, we are not asked to singlehandedly solve everything, but simply to respond to the needs we see before us. In the parable of the sheep and the goats, the King says, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.' As Pope Francis says, "In God, no act of love, no matter how small, will ever be lost."



Today, 15th September (Sunday) we invite parishioners of St. Michael to bring some harvest produce for a stall sale in aid of CAFOD. If you have a glut of courgettes or apples, plants or jam or even flowers, maybe some will be inspired to make a cake? We would love it if you brought along your extras and we can put it to a good cause through CAFOD. Thank you!

Secondary RE Adviser - Schools & Colleges Department: The department are seeking to expand the team by appointing a part time, term-time only Secondary RE Adviser to support the RE Lead. The successful applicant will have recent and relevant experience of teaching and/or advising RE in the secondary phase (and preferably post 16) with a willingness to contribute to the Primary work of the Diocesan team. Successful candidate will need to offer RE advice, training and consultancy to schools, single academy trusts, and our three multi-academy trusts, Bristol, but will require extensive travel around the Diocese, as well as some evening work. For further information and application form, visit: [Working for us Clifton Diocese](#). If you would like to discuss the role further, please contact Mary Cox, Director of Schools and Colleges, or Paula Asquith, HR, on 0117 902 5599, and date for application is: 27th September 2024 In-person interviews in Bristol: 11th October 2024.

Evangelii Gaudium Sunday 2024



This year, *Evangelii Gaudium Sunday* will be celebrated in our parishes on 15 September 2024. It gives us the opportunity to reflect on the great mandate we have been given by the Risen Lord to evangelise the whole world. “Go therefore and make disciples of all nations,” the Lord commissions, as we hear in Matthew 28:19.

Inspired by our ongoing Synodal process, Scripture, and Pope Francis’ Apostolic Exhortation, *Evangelii Gaudium*, we have chosen the theme ‘Growing as missionary disciples’. On the day itself, we can encourage the faithful to pray for our parish communities, that they would become intentionally missionary in their life and witness.

A [second collection](#) will also be taken on *Evangelii Gaudium Sunday* to support the work of the Bishops’ Conference Mission Directorate. Please hold this important work in your prayers.

[Evangelii Gaudium Sunday 2024 - Catholic Bishops' Conference \(cbcew.org.uk\)](https://www.cbcew.org.uk)

SEEKING GOD

A monastic experience for men & women
aged 18 - 35

Friday 25th-Sunday 27th October
2024

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Pope Francis appoints Bishop Philip Moger as the new Bishop of Plymouth



His Holiness Pope Francis has appointed Bishop Philip Moger as the new Bishop of Plymouth. A priest of the Diocese of Leeds for over 40 years, Bishop Moger has, until now, served as an Auxiliary Bishop for the Archdiocese of Southwark.

Message from Cardinal Vincent Nichols, President of the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales and Archbishop of Westminster, Cardinal Vincent Nichols, offered his congratulations:

“I congratulate the Right Reverend Philip Moger on his appointment as the next Bishop of the Diocese of Plymouth. He will bring experience and wisdom to that diocese although his moving is a loss to the Archdiocese of Southwark.

“I would like to express my sincere gratitude to Canon Paul Cummins who has led the diocese over the last two years. I thank him most sincerely for the contributions he has made not only to the Diocese of Plymouth but also to the working of the Bishops' Conference of England in Wales.”

Full report: [Pope Francis appoints Bishop Philip Moger as the new Bishop of Plymouth](#)



Offertory Collection

Last Week:

St. Peter's: £536.76 (incl. via the Dona Machine)
Second collection: £115.75

St. Michael: £82.85
Second collection: £22.45

Thank You