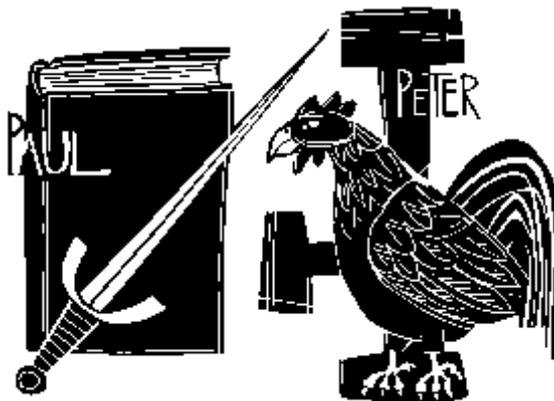


# SAINTS PETER AND PAUL APOSTLES

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## **This Sunday's Scripture Readings**

**Acts 12:1-11** Herod the Great's son persecutes the group who believe that Jesus is the Messiah—true king of the Jews. He kills James (son of Zebedee) and imprisons Peter. But Peter is too central to the divine purpose to be sacrificed at this stage.

**2 Timothy 4:6-18** Paul, in prison, awaits his execution by the sword. His martyrdom is a sacrifice (libation) to God. He has completed the race and awaits the athlete's laurel crown.

**Matthew 16:13-19** In spite of his forthcoming denial of Jesus, Peter is the Rock on which Christ will found his Church. That rock is Peter's later, firm and grace-given, faith in his Lord.

**OPENING OF CHURCH FOR PRIVATE PRAYER**. Considerable preparations have made by our youthful new cleaners, with a not-so-young helper organising the infrastructure. Very many thanks to them all.

**ST WULSTAN'S CHURCH WILL BE OPEN TOMORROW (SATURDAY) FROM 10AM TILL 12 NOON FOR PEOPLE TO GO IN INDIVIDUALLY AND PRAY.** If you choose to go, please follow instructions on the notices and allow yourself to be guided by the steward, who is required to be there. The Church will be **in silence**. Sorry, but for the moment, no votive candles are permitted. And no jam sales. James Sweetman tells me that a new batch of marmalade has been made. If you would like to buy any jams, please contact James on 01684 563836.

**MASSES THIS WEEKEND** will be Zoomed as usual.

**SUNDAY MASS** offered for Peter Verdult, whose anniversary falls on Wednesday 1 July.

**RESUMPTION OF MASS IN CHURCH:** this is permitted in principle from July 4, but we do not yet have detailed regulations. Attached to this newsheet is a recent statement by the English Archbishops. The PPC is discussing our own arrangements, but no further details possible at this stage. See next week's newsheet.

**MALVERN HILLS FOODBANK** The new advice is to leave donations **in kind** at the Foodbank collection points in either **Waitrose** or **Morrisons**. Current needs include antibacterial wipes, kitchen rolls, J cloths, shampoo for men and women, bars of soap, washing powder, washing up liquid, tinned meat, tinned fruit, jam, packets of Smash. If you wish to give money, please make a cheque out to Malvern Hills Foodbank and post it to **MHFB Unit 4, Spring Lane, Malvern, WR14 1AT**. **Note:** During May the Malvern Foodbank provided food parcels for 224 adults and 202 children. This is a 50% increase on the number provided in May 2019.

**CAFOD CORONAVIRUS RESPONSE** All Charities are currently in difficulty, CAFOD among them. "The spread of COVID 19 to countries with poor health systems and limited access to clean water is devastating. Families who already struggle to get enough to eat, and those living in refugee camps, are particularly vulnerable. Your prayers and gifts are needed now more than ever". Donate and help at [cafod.org.uk/coronavirus](http://cafod.org.uk/coronavirus)

**PLEASE PRAY** for Carmel Glennie, Oscar Rasile, Christopher Kouwen, Mary Plunkett, Paul Hothersall and Les Miller, who have died recently, for John Bilsborough, Andy Cooper, John Crowe, Pat Higgins, Rosemarie Kay, Andy McGowan, Pauline Mills, Peter Onions, Nicholas Ratcliff, Raymond Turner and Ellen Verdult who are unwell or housebound.