Next Sunday 7th July Sixth Sunday after Trinity

We consider today how spending time with Jesus can develop faith that changes the outcomes of our actions.

Ezekiel 2:1-5 First Reading

God sends Ezekiel to the people of Israel who have rebelled. Whether or not they hear what Ezekiel says, they will know that a prophet has been among them.

Second Reading 2 Corinthians 12:2-10 Paul says he will not boast except about his weaknesses and that God has given him a thorn in his flesh to keep him from being too elated.

Gospel Mark 6:1-13

Jesus teaches in the synagogue in his home town, but the people take offence. Later, he sends out the twelve, telling them to take nothing with them. They are able to cast out demons and heal those who are sick.

Services

9.00 am	Said Mass	Fr Graham
10.00 am	Parish Mass	
President and Preacher		Fr Graham
Readings		Jim Weller
Intercessions		lan Franklin
Eucharistic Minister		Wendy Bishop
6.00pm Evening Prayer		Mr Jim Weller

Notices St Albans Parish lunch today (30th)

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St Alban's **Parish Church**



Sunday 30th June Ss Peter and Paul

St Peter and St Paul, living in the flesh, planted the Church with their blood, drank the chalice of the Lord and became the friends of God.

9.00 am	Said Mass	Fr Graham

10.00 am	Parish Mass	
President and Preacher		Fr Graham
Readings		John Appleby
Intercessio	ns	Patrick Newman
Eucharistic	: Minister	Andrew Mould

6.00pm Evening Prayer

Fr Graham

Today at the Parish Mass: Hymns: NHWS 142, 163, 25

During the Week

Tues 2nd 19.00 Said Mass Fr Graham Thur 4th 10.00 Said Mass Mtr Linda

WELCOME We are really pleased to see you. If you have any queries or are unsure about anything please ask.

Intercessions

We pray for all called to serve the church that their ministry may be blessed.

We pray for ourselves that we may be guided in every step we take in life and every decision we make in responding God's call. May we be moulded into the living images of Christ, who was always close to those in need.

We pray for those reluctant to bring their own needs to God; that they might know that God cares for all.

We pray for all people to see the love and mercy of Jesus; that we might all come to understand the depths of the love of the God.

We pray for the sick and suffering; that God will bring healing and peace.

We pray for the dying, and all who have died recently, together with all whose years mind occurs this week: Florence Watson, Christine Hopper, Theresa Crosby, Boris Petrovs, Cathleen Gillard, Freddie Curbeson, Kenneth Hatwell, Frank Stansfield, Dorothy Hopper.

Please use this sheet in your prayers

First Reading Acts 12:1-11

King Herod started persecuting certain members of the Church. He beheaded James the brother of John, and when he saw that this pleased the Jews he decided to arrest Peter as well. This was during the days of Unleavened Bread, and he put Peter in prison, assigning four squads of four soldiers each to guard him in turns. Herod meant to try Peter in public after the end of Passover week. All the time Peter was under guard the Church prayed to God for him unremittingly.

On the night before Herod was to try him, Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, fastened with double chains, while guards kept watch at the main entrance to the prison. Then suddenly the angel of the Lord stood there, and the cell was filled with light. He tapped Peter on the side and woke him. 'Get up!' he said 'Hurry!' - and the chains fell from his hands. The angel then said, 'Put on your belt and sandals.' After he had done this, the angel next said, 'Wrap your cloak round you and follow me.' Peter followed him, but had no idea that what the angel did was all happening in reality; he thought he was seeing a vision. They passed through two guard posts one after the other, and reached the iron gate leading to the city. This opened of its own accord; they went through it and had walked the whole length of one street when suddenly the angel left him. It was only then that Peter came to himself. 'Now I know it is all true' he said. 'The Lord really did send his angel and has saved me from Herod and from all that the Jewish people were so certain would happen to me.'

Psalm 125



Those who trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion, which cannot be moved, but stands fast for ever. As the hills stand about Jerusalem, so the Lord stands round about his people, from this time forth for evermore. *R*

The sceptre of wickedness shall not hold sway over the land allotted to the righteous, lest the righteous turn their hands to evil. *R*

Do good, O Lord, to those who are good, and to those who are true of heart. Those who turn aside to their crooked ways the Lord shall take away with the evildoers; but let there be peace upon Israel. *R*

Second reading 2 Timothy 4:6-8,17-18

My life is already being poured away as a libation, and the time has come for me to be gone. I have fought the good fight to the end; I have run the race to the finish; I have kept the faith; all there is to come now is the crown of righteousness reserved for me, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that Day; and not only to me but to all those who have longed for his Appearing.

The Lord stood by me and gave me power, so that through me the whole message might be proclaimed for all the pagans to hear; and so I was *rescued from the lion's mouth.* The Lord will rescue me from all evil attempts on me, and bring me safely to his heavenly kingdom. To him be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

You are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church.

And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 16:13-19

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say he is John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he said '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.'

