

BIDDING PRAYERS: SAINT PETER AND SAINT PAUL

- Priest:** On this solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, Let the church pray fervently to God our loving Father.
- Reader:** For the Church; that founded on the rock of Peter's faith and formed by the preaching of Paul, she may be a light to the nations and the sacrament of their salvation.
Lord hear usLord graciously hear us
- Reader:** For our country as we prepare for a General Election this week; may candidates present their intentions with clarity and truth, and may the electorate make judgements which are well considered and in the interest of the common good.
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- Reader:** For Pope Francis; may the successor of Peter as Bishop of Rome lead us in professing our faith and inspire us in preaching the gospel.
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- Reader:** For the sick and suffering of this community; that they may find health and healing in the name of Jesus, the Son of the living God.
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- Reader:** For those who are facing poverty and hardship; may we as a community recognise the face Christ in those who are most in need and may do all we can to support them.
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- Reader:** For our Parish; may we who have received the Apostolic Faith from Saints Peter and Paul, proudly share the message of the Gospel, building up the Body of Christ.
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- Reader:** Let us remember especially today the intentions for which our Masses are offered this weekend.
And also, all the Holy Souls and all those who have died recently, especially Fr Robert Halshaw, Canon Tim Sullivan, Joan Murphy, Margaret Beirne, James McKendrick, William Newell, Ralph Lawson, and Margaret Cross. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.
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- Reader:** Let us pray for our own private intentions; (pause). We ask Mary, our Mother, to join with us in our prayers: **Hail Mary ...**
- Priest:** Heavenly Father, your Son invoked your name in prayer while here on earth among us, we now follow his pattern and offer you these prayers. We ask that you hear and grant them, through Christ Our Lord, Amen.