

Mass times and intentions: 29th June – 07th July 2024

Saturday	29	Ss PETER AND PAUL 18.00 – The People of the Parish
Sunday	30	11.30 – Josie & Seamus Gorman RIP
Monday	01	No Mass
Tuesday	02	Feria 10.00 – Jacob Costello – Birthday
Wednesday	03	ST THOMAS, apostle 10.00 – Alice Drew RIP
Thursday	04	Feria 10.00 – Angela Geraguty RIP
Friday	05	Feria 10.00 – Souls in Purgatory
Saturday	06	Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary 10.00 – John Balson RIP and his family
		FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 18.00 – Rose Sparkes RIP
Sunday	07	11.30 – The People of the Parish

Tuesday to Saturday, after the Holy Mass,
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Holy Rosary

Mass Intentions / Offerings: Special envelopes are available at the back of Church. If you would like Mass offered on a particular date or anniversary, please let the Parish Priest know well in advance – the sooner the better. Thank you for your co-operation.

Mass Attendance last weekend: 205

Offertory Collection last weekend: £ 664.90

Renovation fund: £ 85.30

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a joyous week and I look forward, very much, to getting to know you all and working with you for the good of our Parish.

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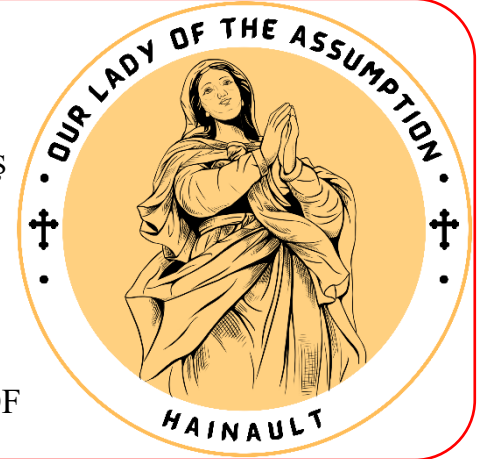
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Parish Mass Book – Sunday Readings – pgs. 172-175

Hymn Book numbers for Sunday Mass

179 – For the healing of the nations

377 – Lord accept the gifts we offer

227 – Go tell everyone

596 – Peace is the gift of heaven to earth

175 – Follow me, follow me

Dear brothers and sisters,

Today, as a church we are remembering and celebrating two of God's most unlikely heroes: Peter and Paul. Each in their own way carried on the mission and ministry of Jesus as they proclaimed the gospel through their words and actions as missionary disciples in the early church.

The gospels tell us that Peter knew Jesus for at least three years. He was one of his closest friends and followers. He heard Jesus speak and teach, he saw Jesus work miracles. Peter was at the Last Supper with Jesus; he was witness to all that happened to Jesus. And, as we know Peter not only witnesses these events, he was directly involved in them. Famously, he denied that he even knew Jesus as he was being arrested and beaten prior to his crucifixion and death. Peter lost faith in Jesus, but Jesus never lost his faith in Peter.

When Jesus appeared to his friends after the resurrection, he asked Peter not once, but three times whether he loved Jesus! When Peter says

he did love him, Jesus said to him, ‘*Look after my sheep... feed my sheep.*’ So Peter, the very one who denied and disowned Jesus is now called, chosen and entrusted with responsibility of leading this new infant group called ‘*The Christians,*’ which will eventually become the Church, the People of God.

Given his history, no one in their right mind would have picked Peter to lead the new church. But God’s ways are not our ways. God does not choose the powerful, the wealthy, the clever or the important. God chooses the least likely who have the most potential. As it says in the Old Testament: **God does not look at outer appearances, but at the heart of a person.**

Paul never actually met Jesus, but he did experience Jesus in a most profound way. He was a Jew of high standing. He was entrusted with the responsibility of hunting down, and if necessary, killing these new Christians. He watched as Stephen, the first martyr was stoned to death. They were a threat to everything Paul (then called Saul) believed and held sacred; his Jewish faith and the Law.

But on the road to Damascus; he heard these words, ‘*Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?*’ By persecuting the followers of Jesus, Saul is persecuting Jesus himself. Saul becomes Paul, the greatest missionary of the early Church. Again, **God does not look at outer appearance, but at the heart of a person.**

We have to be very careful that we don’t simply worship, and praise them from afar as if they were or are totally different than we are today. These are role models of what it means to be a follower of Jesus today. Jesus called Peter who denied him and Paul who persecuted him to be his witnesses; so why wouldn’t the same Jesus call you and me today to be his witness and followers? Are we so different from these two men? Perhaps when we hear Jesus call us by our name, we might say ‘*Why me?*’ Maybe that’s what Peter and Paul both said when Jesus called them by their name! We say, Lord, ‘*Why me?*’ Jesus says, ‘*Why not you?*’.

Amen!

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Confession is available every Saturday during Adoration and Holy Rosary and on request on weekdays during Adoration and Holy Rosary after the morning Mass.

Refreshments after Sunday Mass


I would like to invite you to join us for refreshments after the Sunday Mass in the Parish Hall. Please join us for a cup of tea or coffee, some biscuits and a chance to meet, socialise and get to know each other.

Church Renovation Fund

There will be a 2nd collection after each Sunday Mass to help with the renovation of our Church. Any donation would be most welcome.

Methods of Giving

Donations can be made via standing orders, online by scanning the QR Code and entering the appropriate amount and via the offertory / 2nd Collections.

Standing order details:	Online via QR Code:
Account Name: Catholic Church Hainault The Assumption Sort Code: 40-13-22 Account Number: 31019244	

Gift Aid

If you are a UK taxpayer, please consider completing a Gift Aid Declaration form. As Gift Aid is linked to basic rate tax this allows our Church to reclaim from the taxman 25 pence for each pound donated.

Walsingham House Anniversary Mass, 31st August at Walsingham House at Abbotswick

Celebrate 40 years of our team at Walsingham House with us, beginning with Mass celebrated by Bishop Alan at 12pm followed by celebrations at our beautiful retreat house just outside Brentwood.

RED BOX Collection 2023: A big THANK YOU!

In 2023 this Parish of the Assumption raised £797.79 through the red boxes and donations to MISSO and the Mill Hill Missionaries, THANK YOU ALL. Our missionary community here at the Assumption is a part of a world-wide network of people supporting missionaries overseas through prayer and financial assistance. Your support of missionary Priests, like Fr Ignatius MHM working with a rural community in Uganda, enables people to come together to celebrate the Eucharist and work to improve the lives of the whole community. Visit missio.org.uk to find out more.

Join Bishop Alan on the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes (Friday 19 – Friday 26 July).

There are five remaining places on the pilgrimage. To book, please go online as soon as possible: Brentwood Lourdes - Lourdes - Tangney Tours (tangney-tours.com)