SHARING SUNDAY'S GOSPEL WITH PARENTS & FAMILIES

Dear Parents and Carers,

This Sunday we celebrate the Feast of Saint Peter and Saint Paul who did great work for the Church.

Both of these men were Apostles who met with Jesus and were given authority to build Jesus' Church on earth. Jesus established his Church as a reminder of God's love for all people - that includes you and me too.

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus asks the disciples, "Who do you say I am?"

Wednesday 25th June 2025

Peter realises the truth about Jesus and professes his faith in Jesus as the Christ – the Son of the living God. Jesus then gives Peter the important task of leading the Church.

Enjoy a very special time together this evening, hearing your child's thoughts about this Sunday's Gospel and exploring this Wednesday's word, which is **CHURCH**.

Dom Henry Wansbrough



A Word from the Saints

"The Church is called Catholic or universal because it has spread throughout the entire world, from one end of the earth to the other." St. Cyril of Jerusalem





When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi he put this question to his disciples, "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."

> Adapted from Matthew 16:13-19 The Feast of Ss Peter and Paul, Year C

Getting to know Jesus makes life joyful. Learn more about this Sunday's Gospel in your local Parish Church: all are very warmly invited.

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Good News for Families TOGETHER TIME

READ & REFLECT! Listen & Learn with Jesus, the Word!

Jesus asked his disciples, "Who do you say I am?" Simon Peter spoke up and said, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." Jesus replied, "Simon, you are a happy man! Because this was made known to you by my Father in heaven. So from now on you will be called Peter, which means 'rock', and on this rock I will build my Church. I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven."

What did Jesus say he would build?

Which word or words stood out for you in this Sunday's Gospel, and why? Spend a few relaxing moments pondering the picture together. Share any thoughts before moving on.



Sunday Gospel Gallery Look at this Sunday's Gospel picture. What can you see? How do you feel? What does

it make you think about?

SHARE & CARE! Growing in Goodness & Love: This Wednesday's Word..

"Dear brothers and sisters, the Church is a family where we love and are loved." Pope Francis

Ask your child what the word 'church' means to them. The word 'Church' is the name given to the community of Christian believers. The word 'Catholic' means 'universal' - the Church is for everyone. 'Church' can also be used to name the building where we meet to worship God together. Each of you share a memorable experience that you have had of Church (perhaps attending: a Wedding, a Baptism, Holy Communion or something else).



A church building is a holy place, where many people can meet and experience the peace within. Each of you say what you think attracts people to Church. Perhaps it is: the community; worshipping and hearing God's Word; the stillness and silence; being strengthened spiritually; Holy Communion; something else? Come along together to meet and greet your church family this Sunday and celebrate this great feast together. All are warmly invited.

