



Gospel Newsletter



St. Michael Catholic Primary School and Nursery
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Saint Peter & Saint Paul

June 2025

Matthew 16:13-19

You can share a variety of liturgies linked to this week's gospel with your child at home.

You can find weekly Gospel Liturgies from The Mark 10 Mission by clicking on the link [here](#).

You can also share the Children's Liturgy from Redemptorist Publications with the Dominican Sisters of St Joseph by clicking this link [here](#).

Check this newsletter regularly for other links to liturgies designed for children.

Each week, you can download a weekly Bible verse from *The God Who Speaks* website.

[Click here](#) to access the Weekly Bible Verse archive.



Jesus went to the territory near the town of Caesarea Philippi, where he asked his disciples, "Who do people say the Son of Man is?" "Some say John the Baptist," they answered. "Others say Elijah, while others say Jeremiah or some other prophet."

"What about you?" he asked them. "Who do you say I am?" Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God."

"Good for you, Simon son of John!" answered Jesus. "For this truth did not come to you from any human being, but it was given to you directly by my Father in heaven. And so I tell you, Peter: you are a rock, and on this rock foundation I will build my church, and not even death will ever be able to overcome it. I will give you the keys of the Kingdom of heaven; what you prohibit on earth will be prohibited in heaven, and what you permit on earth, will be permitted in heaven." *(Gospel passage taken from Good News Translation® and used with permission, see details below*)*



The Bible and Catholics

All Scripture is inspired by God

What do you remember from today's reading?

In our gospel, Jesus asks the disciples who people say that he is.

The disciples say that people think Jesus might be John the Baptist, Elijah, Jeremiah or one of the prophets. Then Jesus asks the disciples who they believe he is. What does Simon say?

Simon says that Jesus is the Son of God. Simon believes in Jesus and he is not afraid to say so.

What does Jesus say and do next to Simon?

Jesus gives Simon a new name – Peter. And Jesus tells Simon Peter that he will have the keys to the kingdom of heaven.

Simon Peter was just an ordinary fisherman with his brother Andrew. But he was one of the first disciples of Jesus.

Jesus gave Simon the name Peter which means 'rock' in Greek. Jesus wanted to build his Church on strong ground and rock is a strong material. Simon Peter's faith was strong here, like a rock, so Peter was a good name for him!

Peter is one of the greatest leaders of the early Church. He believed in Jesus and wanted to follow him and serve him. And in this story Peter also spoke up about what he believed.

What does Simon Peter teach us about knowing Jesus?

What does he teach us about serving Jesus?

Simon Peter is considered to be the first pope. All the popes since then have followed on from Peter. Pope Francis called us to be 'Pilgrims of hope' in this Jubilee Year and our new pope, Pope Leo XIV reminds us that the Church wants always to seek peace and to be "close above all to those who are suffering." How do you think you might do that?

Can you speak up for what you believe in, like Simon Peter, this week? Can you be strong in your faith and show others what you believe?

Art can help
bring the
Gospel to
life for
children.



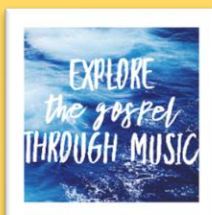
You may find the
website [Christian Art](#) enjoyable to
explore with your child. Each day they
share artwork linked to the daily
Gospel.

**The house built on rock and the
house built on the sand
Matthew 7:21-29**

**The Wise and Foolish Builder,
painting by Danny Hahlbohm
(born 1949),
Painted in 1999,
Oil on canvas
© Danny Hahlbohm**



We can worship and pray through
Music. For this week's Gospel, enjoy
listening to both traditional and
contemporary worship music!



Traditional: [Praise, My Soul,
The King Of Heaven](#) by Henry Francis Lyte
Traditional: [Glorify Thy Name](#) by Donna Adkins
Contemporary: [This I Believe \(The Creed\)](#) by
Hillsong



You can now access the
Ten:Ten Parent Portal
at home with the details
below.

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Resources**

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Parent Portal:

www.tentenresources.co.uk/parent-portal



YouCat is a guide to the Catechism of the Catholic Church for children. It is an
easy read and a user friendly guide for parents
and carers to support their children.

You can find out more about YouCat at www.youcat.org

Catholic Social Teaching:

Which principle do you think the gospel teaching best relate to this week?

**DIGNITY SOLIDARITY THE COMMON GOOD THE OPTION FOR THE POOR PEACE
CARE FOR CREATION THE DIGNITY OF WORK AND PARTICIPATION**



This week's Gospel activity sheet from [CAFOD](#):

*St Peter and St Paul
Gospel: Matthew 16:13-19*





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 June 2025 Dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 1 Ascension of the Lord	2 Monday in the 7 th Week of Easter	 3 St. Charles Lwanga & companions	4 Wednesday in the 7 th Week of Easter	 5 St. Boniface	 6 St. Norbert	7 Saturday in the 7 th Week of Easter
 8 Pentecost Sunday	 9 The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church	10 Tuesday in the 10 th Week in Ordinary Time	11 St. Barnabas, Apostle	12 Our Lord Jesus Christ, the Eternal High Priest	 13 St. Anthony of Padua	14 Saturday in the 10 th Week in Ordinary Time
 15 The Most Holy Trinity	16 Monday in the 11 th Week in Ordinary Time	17 Tuesday in the 11 th Week in Ordinary Time	18 Wednesday in the 11 th Week in Ordinary Time	19 St. Romuald, Abbot	20 Friday in the 11 th Week in Ordinary Time	 21 St. Aloysius Gonzaga
 22 The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ	23 Monday in the 12 th Week in Ordinary Time	 24 The Nativity of St. John the Baptist	25 Wednesday in the 12 th Week in Ordinary Time	 26 St. Josemaria Escriva	 27 The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Our Lady of Perpetual Help	 28 The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary
 29 St. Peter and St. Paul	30 The First Martyrs of the Church of Rome					