

**St. Peter's Hamilton**

**Twelfth Sunday (A)**

**21st June 2026**

**Our Parish Mission**

**All are welcome in this place**

**Behold Love's amazing grace**

**All are welcome**

**Bring your hopes, bring your dreams**

**Mercy flows and love redeems**

**It's 5.42am**

**A busy day for the parish today as we welcome the Bishop to confer confirmation on 36 of our children. They have been working really hard in preparation. They are coming this morning after Mass for their final practice. Please continue to pray for them.**

**It seems that there is a peace deal between America & Iran. Let us continue to pray that this will last. Not forgetting Ukraine & Gaza. I believe that prayer is the only answer.**

**Have you been watching the World Cup? Who is your favourite to win? Let us hope that it will be an example of people coming together without there being any trouble.**

## Tonight Confirmation 2026

St. Peter's & St. Mark's  
Bishop Toal

### P7 Leavers Masses

Tomorrow St. Mark's

### End of Term Masses

St. Peter's Tomorrow 10am Mass  
St. Mark's 25th June 10am Mass

## Sacramental Dates 2027

### Confirmation:

St. Peter's & St. Mark's  
Monday 22nd February 2027 7pm Mass

### First Confession:

St. Peter's Monday March 15th 2027 6.30pm  
St. Mark's Tuesday March 16th 2027 6.30pm

### First Communion:

St. Peter's Saturday May 8th 2027 10am Mass  
St. Mark's Saturday May 15th 2027 10am Mass

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Is now operational. Please spread the word that it is here.

## This Sunday's Readings

### First Reading

*Jeremiah 20:10-13*

Jeremiah expresses confidence that the Lord will protect him.

### Responsorial Psalm

*Psalm 69:8-10,14,17,33-35*

God responds to the prayers of those in need.

### Second Reading

*Romans 5:12-15*

Sin came into the world through one person; so salvation came through one person for many.

### Gospel Reading

*Matthew 10:26-33*

Jesus assures the Twelve that God cares about them.

### Background on the Gospel Reading

We read today's Gospel in the context of last week's Gospel in which Jesus sent the twelve disciples to proclaim the kingdom of heaven. In between last week's reading and today's reading, Jesus has predicted that the disciples will face difficulties in their mission. Many people will not receive them well, even within the land of Israel. Even family members will turn away from the disciples because of the disciples' commitment to Jesus and the kingdom. Today's Gospel offers the disciples consolation against this difficult truth.

This section of Matthew's Gospel should be read in the context of Matthew's intended audience, a Jewish-Christian

community. The Gospel alludes to the dangers and persecutions that this community has most likely already faced and will continue to face. To reassure this community, Matthew recalls for them the encouraging words of Jesus that we read today.

In this Gospel passage, Jesus might be understood as putting suffering in perspective. The disciples of Jesus are called upon to keep their focus on God. Those who can harm the body do not have ultimate power; God does. Still persecution and suffering can not be avoided or prevented. But Jesus reassures his disciples that God knows and cares about what happens to his children.

We might not face the same type of persecution, but we do experience difficulties as we endeavor to live a Christian life. Sometimes we let the opinions of others prevent us from doing what we know to be right. We need the reminder that what God thinks about us is more important. We are reassured by the promise that God cares for us and protects us.

### This Sunday's Readings

#### Next Weeks Mass Programme

Monday: No Mass

Tuesday : 10am Mass

Wednesday: 10am Mass

Thursday: 10am Mass

Friday: 10am Mass

Saturday: 10am Mass

This Week's Rota

Readers

4pm Vigil: B. Cornes

9.30am: T. Kennedy

11am: D. Lee

Eucharistic Ministers

4pm Vigil: M. Kilpatrick, M. Halbert & E. Gold

9.30am: K. O'Neill, M. Devanney & C. Bonnar

11am: S. Cunningham, H. Gover & A. Leabody

Weekday 10am Mass Readers Rota

Tuesday: P. Davies

Wednesday: B. Cornes

Thursday: P. McKeown

Friday: J. McCluskey

Saturday: A. Devlin

Please pray for the following:

Sick:

Margaret Callaghan Doreen Cleary, Neil Boyle,

John Rielly Molly Strang, James Clark,

Fr. Michael McLaughlin, Patricia Henderson,

Joanna Maier (Connecticut USA), Therese Gilgunn Tressy

Callaghan, Suzanne McMurray,

Mary Coyle, Lesley Watson (Spain) Maureen McHugh,  
Margaret Burke, Marie White, Kathleen Daly,  
John McGuire, Jill Brown, Karen Pritchatt,  
Louise Newton, Faith Lyndsey, Jill Brown,  
Marie McGuire, James Morton, Paul Kearney,  
Thomas Daly, Andrew McCluskey,  
Premature Baby Vincent McDowell,  
Bill Allan, Gudren Berk (Germany),  
Jaqueline McReynolds, Mary Morrison, Helen Howarth  
(Easterhouse), Margaret Loan, Avril McCluskey,  
Carol Corr, Thomas Kennedy, and all our sick.

Recently Dead:

Paul Grant, Eileen Brown (Craigneuk), James  
McGuinness (EastField), Margaret Simmons (Craigneuk), Pat  
Duggan, John Feeney

Month Minds & Anniversaries:

Stephen Sweeney, Tom Lyons,

Please if you could make sure all month minds and  
anniversaries are handed in no later than Wednesday Night.  
If they come in after that they will be read out at Mass on  
Sunday. If the recently dead come in after the Wednesday  
deadline they too will be read out at Mass on the Sunday.

**A parishioner Cara Quigley is volunteering in a Catholic**

School in Kenya. She is looking for donations of the following:

1. Story books.
2. Flash cards (Alphabet, Numbers & Shapes).
3. White Board Pens.
4. Educational Toys (Building Blocks etc).
5. Sensory Materials.
6. Pencils (Normal & Coloured).
7. Crayons.
8. Skipping Ropes.

She leaves on the 18th July 2026

Last pick up date is Sunday 12th July 2026

**Powerpoint Remote Control:**

I am also looking for Volunteers to move the power-points on during the Sunday Masses, Vigil 4pm, 9.30am & 11am.

It is very easy to operate, if we get enough volunteers for each Mass we would put a wee rota together. It would take a wee bit of pressure off me.

**Gift Aid**

If you wish to sign up for Gift Aid. It is a great way to help the parish financially, costing you absolutely

nothing. If you wish to sign up contact myself or Doreen Lee and we will give you the form and hand it back as you can and we can get it organised. As I said it costs you nothing, but helps the parish so much.

Baptism/Wedding Meetings: **THURSDAY** 6pm & 7pm. **JUST TURN UP**

The Bulletin is available by email

I can't thank you enough for your generosity to the Parish. I really appreciate it. Please keep it up, Once again Thank You.

**Fr. Frank**



