

Parish News
**St. Paul's Episcopal
Church**
Marinette, Wisconsin
June 26th, 2024



Rector's Journal—The Feast of St. Peter & St. Paul (June 29th)

Peter and Paul, the two greatest leaders of the early Church, are commemorated separately, Peter on January 18, for his confession of Jesus as the Messiah, and Paul on January 25, for his conversion, but they are commemorated together on June 29 in observance of the tradition of the Church that they both died as martyrs in Rome during the persecution under Nero, in 64.

Paul, the well-educated and cosmopolitan Jew of the Dispersion, and Peter, the uneducated fisherman from Galilee, had differences of opinion in the early years of the Church concerning the mission to the Gentiles. More than once, Paul speaks of rebuking Peter for his continued insistence on Jewish exclusiveness; yet their common commitment to Christ and the proclamation of the Gospel proved stronger than their differences; and both eventually carried that mission to Rome, where they were martyred. According to tradition, Paul was granted the right of a Roman citizen to be beheaded by a sword, but Peter suffered the fate of his Lord, crucifixion, though with head downward.

A generation after their martyrdom, Clement of Rome, writing to the Church in Corinth, probably in 96 A.D., says: "Let us come to those who have most recently proved champions; let us take up the noble examples of our own generation. Because of jealousy and envy the greatest and most upright pillars of the Church were persecuted and competed unto death. Let us bring before our eyes the good apostles—Peter, who because of unrighteous jealousy endured not one or two, but numerous trials, and so bore a martyr's witness and went to the glorious place that he deserved. Because of jealousy and strife Paul pointed the way to the reward of endurance; seven times he was imprisoned, he was exiled, he was stoned, he was a preacher in both east and west, and won renown for his faith, teaching uprightness to the whole world, and reaching the farthest limit of the west, and bearing a martyr's witness before the rulers, he passed out of the world and was taken up into the holy place, having proved a very great example of endurance."



Prayers for Our Time

For this Week:

O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your loving-kindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

For a Church Convention or Meeting:

Almighty and ever-living God, source of all wisdom and understanding, be present with those who take counsel for the renewal and mission of your Church. Teach us in all things to seek first your honor and glory. Guide us to perceive what is right, and grant us both the courage to pursue it and the grace to accomplish it; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

For the Election of a Bishop or Other Minister:

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a Presiding Bishop, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Lifting up Others in Our Prayers

Jim G. * Terry * Fr. Rodger * Sarah
Rose * Traci * Amanda
Priscilla * Landon * Paul * Nick
Dianne * Diana * Joey
Judy * The Kust Family * William
Susan * Doug

And all Armed Services personnel serving throughout the world.

Highlights & Happenings

News from the Pews

Funeral -

The memorial service for Gail Crissinger is **this Saturday, June 29th beginning at 2:00pm with a Visitation beginning at 1:00pm**. If you'd like to help, please reach out to Jeanie Goodwin.

General Convention -

The 81st General Convention of the Episcopal Church is meeting this week in Louisville, KY. This is important for us as this convention will bid farewell to Presiding Bishop Michael Curry and elect a new Presiding Bishop. The PB serves a 9 year term. Also, this convention will formally approve the reunification of the three dioceses of Wisconsin into one diocese.

Worship & Wine -

Join us **Wednesday evening, July 3rd at 6:30 PM** for Evening Prayer in the chapel and a little wine tasting afterward. We will have a blind tasting of three white wines, and your choice of a glass afterward. It's fun to compare notes on what you taste and what you like! If you're curious about wines, or just want to sip something tasty, do come.



Who's up Next?

Sunday, June 30th, 2024

First Chalice – Cyndee Giebler

Crucifer – Lee Goodwin

Lector – Lee Goodwin

The Vestry of St. Paul's Parish

Senior Warden: George Sporie

Junior Warden: Jim Goodman

Clerk of the Vestry: Alyssa Higley

Parish Treasurer: George Sporie

Vestry Members: Alyssa Higley,
Susan Stephen, Jim Goodman,
John Beldo, and Gena Sorensen.