# Looking Forward



25<sup>th</sup> June 2023 12<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

In Matthew's Gospel, Jesus says:

"Speak in the light."





# LOOKING FORWARD TOGETHER



The Church proclaimed by Peter and Paul, is *one*, holy, catholic and apostolic.

In the red vestments of their feast, celebrated this week, which represent Peter and Paul's martyrdom, we also recall the red vestments of Pentecost —when the Holy Spirit breathed into a new community that would speak all languages and unite all peoples into one people, in one family of God, guaranteed by their fidelity to the truth.

Our schools reflect this unity and fidelity.

## **†††††** Tève Mūsų, kuris esi danguje! **†††††**

**St. Peter and Paul's** day is the feast day that honours the martyrdom of the two saints, sometime between AD 64 and 68. While the Church recognizes that they may not have died on the same day, tradition says that this is the day that they were both martyred in Rome by Emperor Nero.

The day is a solemnity or a feast day of the highest rank. This honour is reserved for only the most important events, such as those in the lives of Jesus or Mary. Therefore this emphasizes just how important the two saints are to the Catholic faith.

"Even when the journey is uncertain and you fall, God, rich in mercy, will extend his hand to pick you up ."

- Pope Francis, Letter to Young People, 2018

### DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES, JULY 2023

#### The High Stations of the Cross

These Stations of the Cross, opened in September 1912, covers 1,500 metres and involves difficult climbs and descents. Its 15 stations are interspersed with 115 lifesize statues in patinated cast iron. Each tableau of statues illustrates a key event in the life of Christ during his Passion: from His condemnation by Pontius Pilate to His entombment on Good Friday evening.





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