

Saint Peter

Apostle

(died about 64)

Solemnity celebrated - June 29



The New Testament clearly shows Peter as the Leader of the Apostles, chosen by Jesus to have a special relationship with Him. With James and John, he was privileged to witness the Transfiguration, the raising of a dead child to life and the Agony in Gethsemani. His mother-in-law was cured by Jesus. He was sent with John to prepare for the last supper. His name is first on every list of Apostles and to him only was it said, ***“blessed are you, Simon ... I will entrust to you the keys of the Kingdom of Heaven. Whatever you declare bound on earth shall be bound in Heaven. Whatever you declare loosed on earth shall be loosed in Heaven.”***