

St Peter's & Our Lady's: Part of Catholic Leamington

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time: Sunday 1st September 2024

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DAY	AT ST PETER'S	AT OUR LADY'S	INTENTION
SUNDAY 1st September 2024 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	4:15-45pm - Confession 5pm: Vigil Mass	~	Mary Healy RIP; Mary McGivern RIP
	11.15am Sung Mass	9.15am Sung Mass <i>No Children's Liturgy</i>	Joy Barry RIP Joseph Doyle RIP
Monday 2nd <i>Feria</i>	~	~	9:30am Mass at St. Joseph's, Whitnash
Tuesday 3rd Feast of St. Gregory the Great, Pope, Dr. of the Church	10am Mass	~	Katharine Harbison RIP
Wednesday 4th <i>Opt. Mem. of St. Cuthbert, Bp.,</i>	~	10am Mass	Albert Salt RIP
Thursday 5th <i>Feria</i>	~	~	7pm Mass at St. Joseph's, Whitnash
Friday 6th <i>Feria</i>	1pm Funeral Mass 3pm Divine Mercy Devs.	~	Ellie Bermingham RIP
Saturday 7th <i>Opt. Mem. of Our Lady on Saturday</i>	9-10am Exposition, 9.15-45 Confession, 10am Mass	~	Deceased Members of the Holland and Price families Patrick McHale RIP; Vincent Holleron RIP 40th Anniversary
	4:15-45pm - Confession 5pm: Vigil Mass	~	
SUNDAY 8th September 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	11.15am Sung Mass	9.15am Sung Mass <i>No Children's Liturgy</i>	Pro Populo Thanksgiving to St. Peter; Choir Members

SAFEGUARDING The Parishes operate in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies and procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are: **Our Lady's** Claire Walsh email sg.ccolc.lillington@rcaob.org.uk ; **St Peter's** Theresa Goh or Susan Chan email sg.stpeterapostle.leamington@rcaob.org.uk **The Diocesan Safeguarding Team** can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 or at safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.

Anniversaries of the faithful departed: Eileen Long, Nuala Scarisbrick, Una Forde, Czeslaw Golub, Dariusz Celinski, Jason Kelsey, Kathleen O'Mahony, Eugenia Rubino, Paul Bidmead, Christine Lawrence, Anthony McKenna, Paul Doyle, Ann Reilly, Stewart Smith, Attilio De Matteis, Theresa Hortas, William O'Leary, Bridget Purcell, David Dimambro, William Welsh, Mary Connolly, Michael Lilley, John O'Callaghan, John Wilson, Mgr. James Dunlop-Crichton, Mgr. Thomas Fallon, Cn. Joseph Nightingale, Fr. Bernard Salt, Fr. Thomas O'Doherty, Fr. James Holland, Fr. Paul Dvaney, Fr. Anthony Taylor, Fr. Arthur McCrystal, Dcn. Francis Andrews.
The recently deceased: Peter Huckle, Fr. Malcolm Prince, Ann Marshall, Margaret Locke, Ellen Birmingham, Antonio Di Luciano. **Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.**

Our prayers for the Sick: Giovanni Allurlino, Marie Clare Banner, Edward Behan, Sarah Bonnalie, Pam Brambles, Portia Brightburn, Norman Byrne, John Collins, Mario Fasi, Wilfrid Feely, Sheila Freeman, Barbara Gekoski, Joe Graham, Eileen Hiorns, Sandra Hunt, Mist Johnson, David Kendall, John Kiernan, Una Maddocks, Nathaniel Manning, Deborah Meades, Kate Miles, Fina Monastero, Michael Mulcahy, Jo Murphy, Andrew Murray, Ahmed Musa, Paula Newton, Gill Parker, George Pearson, Fr. Tony Rohan, Gilly Schweigert, Nell Smyth, Christine Tam, Terena Tam, Terry Tam, Elizabeth Weston, Uta Winter, Peter Wright, Mary Yapp & all those at home, or in the nursing homes, & hospitals of the Parish, or who receive Holy Communion at home. **Lord Jesus, watch over all who suffer and are in pain. Bless all those who care for them.**



SEPTEMBER: MONTH OF OUR LADY'S SEVEN SORROWS

'And a sword shall pierce your own heart... Luke 2,35

O sorrowful Mother, pray for those in sorrow today.

WELCOME TO MASS: Especially visitors and those returning to study for the new academic year.

The Israelites rejoice in the nearness of God as Moses proclaims the laws and customs of God. No other nation has been so favoured! Those laws and customs are not a burden but the sure sign of God's loving presence and care for His people. In the Gospel for today, God's love and care is expressed through the closest He can possibly be to us—coming as one of us in Jesus the Word made flesh! All the old ways were supposed to lead people to God, but in time some regarded the customs as more valuable than what they pointed to. It is not lip service that Jesus calls for but nearness to God so complete that it may be expressed in love and in friendship of Him. We are not so much to be worried about what we come into contact with but what we bring out of ourselves. We must cultivate holiness by staying in the presence of the Holy One.

God bless you all, Fr Stephen

THE QR CODE FOR TODAY'S READINGS: Simply scan on your smart phone. This works for every day.



HOLY COMMUNION: If you are *not* a Roman Catholic, a member of a church in full communion with it, or an Orthodox unable to attend an Orthodox Liturgy, you are warmly invited to come forward for a blessing at the time of Holy Communion. Holy Communion cannot be given to all, as it is for us the sign of **unity in the faith**. Communion is *not* bread and wine, but the **Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of God the Son**. Let us pray for unity among all Christians, as God wills. **Blessed be Jesus in the most Holy Sacrament of the Altar!**

CHILDREN'S LITURGY AT OL: is on its summer break, back NEXT WEEK.

AFTER MASS TEA & COFFEE: at Our Lady's after 9.15am and after the 11:15am Mass at St Peter's. Also Tea & Coffee after Weds Mass at Our lady's. **All Welcome.**

LATIN DANCE FIT FOR LADIES: Dance base exercise class in the hall on **Mondays 10am-10.45**, for all ages and abilities, to book 07780543976.

COME & PLAY: Tuesdays 9:30—11am in SP Hall. We welcome mothers and children, no charge. Contact Clare Burdett—07720 887 002. We'd be grateful for a dolls pram, little tyke car, pots, pans and tea set for the lovely play kitchen we have been given.

PASTIMES COMMUNITY HUB: Tuesdays 12-3pm. Join our lively community for good company and activities including a session of chair based exercises. Refreshments throughout. Volunteers for the kitchen? See Margaret.

STUDY & REFLECTION ON SUNDAY'S MASS READINGS: Fridays in the Daventry Room 11 - 12 looking at the next Sunday's readings. **All welcome.**

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTIONS: Fridays 3pm St Peter's. At the hour of mercy come to implore mercy for the world and praise God for that mercy revealed to us by Jesus on the Cross, pierced for our sins.

NEW: THE CHOSEN DRAMA SERIES: Every Friday at 6pm in SP Hall.

BRUSH UP YOUR BRIDGE SKILLS: 6 week beginners course at Pastimes 1:30pm prompt start. Every Tue until 8 Oct. More info please contact Margaret Davies at margomatt@icloud.com or pop into Pastimes and leave your name.

MARCH FOR LIFE: Sat 7th Sept. Defend the rights of the preborn. See marchforlife.co.uk Coaches from B'ham, Coventry and Warwick Parkway.

YOUNG ADULTS RETREAT (18-35) ON SATURDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER

10.30am-4pm we are off on retreat nearby with lunch included. Cost for retreat is £25. Prebook and pay before Thursday 5th September. There are limited numbers so first come first served. Contact Rose on 07484127253 for further information.

ADOREMUS WEEKEND 14-15 SEPT The national Eucharistic congress takes place at Oscott College this weekend and all parishes in England & Wales are asked to hold a Holy Hour at some point so that all may be united in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. There will be a Holy Hour and Benediction at 3pm, St Peter's on the Sunday. An opportunity for prayer.

CHILDRENS LITURGY HELPERS, OLD AND NEW: Thur 26 Sept 7pm at Our Lady's—a meeting for all who help with Children's Liturgy currently, and any who'd like to help whether in Our Lady's or to start something new at St Peter's. The purpose of, resources for and helps to lead Children's Liturgy will all be addressed.

YOUTH GROUP: SPARK St Peter's Group for yrs 6,7 and 8 starts Thu 26th September 7-8.30pm.

PASTIMES SALE: Pastimes Jumble Sale on Saturday 28th September in SP Hall. If you have any jumble to donate please bring it along to Pastimes on Tuesdays where one of the team will be happy to receive it.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC? Or want to know more? Or wish

to be confirmed as an adult? Then 'Come & See' is for you. Starts 9 Oct. Email rcia.cathleam@gmail.com to make contact.

NEW READINGS TRANSLATION: For all readers and anyone interested:

Sat 26th Oct 11am SP. A session on the new translation of the lectionary. Please come: what you read will be changing and this is the chance to see the new books and try the new translation. If you can't attend, an online resource provided by Fr Allen Morris, a liturgist who works in the Archdiocese, is available—<https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/news/preparing-for-the-lectionary-refresher-programme-for-ministers-of-the-word>

PARISH ACTIVITIES: The Walking Together team have produced an initial list of activities which parishioners are involved in. Please do have a look in the red folder at the back of the church at St. Peter's and in the coffee area of Our Lady's church. For additions and amendments contact Mary Holden by Email—mcxholden@virginmedia.com

SVP APPEAL: for any spare suitcases and travel bags for families moving house. Please let David know on 07713 246987.

SPAN: Please pray for House of Light and Hope as Lebanon gets dragged into conflict. Our next SPAN meeting is on Monday 9th Sept with several project updates and appeals.

7 DAY CANDLES: If you would like a Sanctuary candle lit for your intention please complete an envelope titled 7-day candles, at the back of Church with your donation of £10. Thank you.

SERVERS AND SERVING: Thank you to our servers at both churches. **We'd love a few more!** See Bob at St Peter's or Adrian at Our Lady's

NEW TRANSLATION MISSALS: If you would like one please register either with the office via email or at the Piety Shop, we will then order these and contact you to collect them. £20 each. Due the cost there will be very few spare copies so *please order beforehand*. They should be available from 14 Oct onwards. As an alternative, the online resource 'Universalis' for a one off fee of £19.99 provides the text of Mass, the lectionary, the Breviary and devotional reading. 'Magnificat', the monthly prayer book will be using the new translation from Advent. It is marketed in the UK by the Catholic Herald in a British version. See <https://catholic herald.co.uk/magnificat/>

THE PIETY SHOPS: at both churches are open for Catholic items including Rosaries, Prayer cards, candles, medals, Children's books, books, and cards for every occasion. Please do pop in after Mass and have a browse.

MASS INTENTIONS: The *earliest 11:15am Mass* availability is **Oct 2024**, if you would like a Mass said sooner, do consider SP Sat 5pm, OL Sun 9:15am or during the week at SP, when demand is less.

LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTIONS: SP 1st — £603.18, 2nd (Church Maint.)—£364.42, OL 1st—£194.86, 2nd (Church Maint.) — £124.42. This weekend the second collections are for **Church Maintenance**. **Thank you** for your generosity.

TO KEEP UP WITH THE LATEST CHURCH NEWS... Have a look at these sites

Vatican website: www.vatican.va

Diocesan website: birminghamdiocese.org.uk

Parish website: catholicleamington.org.uk

DONATING TO THE PARISHES

As well as the collection bags, the website, the card machine at St Peter's, via standing order, you may give by scanning **this code** with **your smartphone**. **Thank you for your support!**



ARRANGING A WEDDING

Congratulations on your engagement! To arrange a wedding, an initial meeting with Fr Stephen is vital so that the canonical and civil processes can be correctly followed. Couples need to give at least six months' notice.

ARRANGING A BAPTISM

Congratulations on the birth of your baby! First, parents must begin the process by seeing Fr Stephen *in person* at a Sunday Mass. He can then check a few simple facts and give out a baptism application form. We do not deal with initial arrangements by phone, email or through other members of the family, but face to face. Parents need to attend a preparation session before the baptism can take place.

PLEASE PRAY FOR PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST

LORD GOD, your Son Jesus Christ took flesh and trod the soil of His homeland. We pray for all who live on that same soil today that hatred and violence may be replaced by justice and peace. Turn savage hearts from the way of death and let Your message of peace and life be heard once again as it was on the hills of Bethlehem at Jesus' birth. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**