

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

## 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time: Sunday 19th January 2025: Holy Year of Jubilee



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| DAY  | AT ST PETER'S   | AT OUR LADY'S  | INTENTION  |
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| <i>Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity Begins</i>                                 | 4:15-45pm - Confession<br><b>5pm: Vigil Mass</b>  | ~  | John Coombes RIP                                     |
| <b>SUNDAY 19th January</b><br><b>2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>                   | <b>11.15am Sung Mass</b>  | <b>9.15am Sung Mass</b><br><i>Children's Liturgy</i> | Rev. Fr. Christopher Greaney RIP<br>In Thanksgiving  |
| Monday 20th<br><i>Opt. Mem. of St. Fabian, Pope, Martyr</i>                        | <b>10am Mass</b>  | ~  | Holy Souls   |
| Tuesday 21st<br><i>Mem. of St. Agnes, Virgin, Martyr</i>                           | ~   | ~  | <b>10am Mass at St. Charles, Hampton on the Hill</b> |
| Wednesday 22nd<br><i>Opt. Mem. of St. Vincent, Dcn., Martyr</i>                    | ~   | 10am Mass  | Rev. Fr. Alexander Brown RIP                         |
| Thursday 23rd<br><i>Opt. Mem. of St. Nicholas Owen, Relig.</i>                     | 10am Mass   | ~  | Howard Griffiths RIP                                 |
| Friday 24th<br><i>Mem. of St. Francis de Sales, Bp., Dr. of the Church., Abbot</i> | 10am Mass<br>3pm Divine Mercy Devs.   | ~  | Theresa's Intentions                                 |
| Saturday 25th<br><i>Opt. Mem. of Our Lady</i>                                      | 9-10am Exposition, 9.15-45<br>Confession, 10am Mass<br>4:15-45pm - Confession<br><b>5pm: Vigil Mass</b> | ~  | Bill Lee RIP<br>McVeigh Family                       |
| <b>SUNDAY 26th January</b><br><b>3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>                   | <b>11.15am Sung Mass</b>  | <b>9.15am Sung Mass</b><br><i>Children's Liturgy</i> | Joan Powell RIP<br>Andrea La Barbera RIP             |

**Anniversaries of the faithful departed:** Vincenza Corbett, Anselmo LeBrone, Dominica Treacy, Catherine Crowley, John Coombes, Susan Day, Rose Woodhouse, Peter Barton, Elizabeth Cooper, Kathleen Connolly, Julia Keiser, Martha Henn, Margaret Hawthorne, Mgr. Peter Dao-Duc-Diem, Cn. Garrett Byrne, Cn. Bernard McKenna, Cn. Thomas Copsey, Fr. Timothy Dinan, Fr. Cecil Keane, Fr. Bernard Robertson, Fr. Edward Kirner, Fr. George Jackson, Fr. John Tolkien, Fr. Joseph McKenna, Fr. David Lloyd, Fr. Charles Ross, Fr. John Garvey, Fr. Anthony Timlin, Fr. Vincent Royles, Dcn. Michael Ainsworth.

**The recently deceased:** Fr. Fred Sheldon, Dcn. Paul Hender, Bridget Linnane, Fr. Brian Boyle SCJ, Samantha Wright, Diego Pita. **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:** Bill, Giovanni Allurlino, Marie Clare Banner, Edward Behan, Sarah Bonnalie, Pam Brambles, Norman Byrne, Mario Fasi, Wilfrid Feely, Sheila Freeman, Barbara Gekoski, Joe Graham, Eileen Hiorns, Sandra Hunt, Mist Johnson, David Kendall, John Kiernan, Peter McCarthy, Una Maddocks, Nathaniel Manning, Deborah Meades, Kate Miles, Nora Miller, Fina Monastero, Michael Mulcahy, Andrew Murray, Ahmed Musa, Paula Newton, Gill Parker, George Pearson, Fr. Tony Rohan, John Sawyer, Gilly Schweigert, Nell Smyth, Christine Tam, Terena Tam, Terry Tam, Elizabeth Weston, Uta Winter, Peter Wright & all those at home, or in the nursing homes, & hospitals of the Parish, who receive Holy Communion at home. **Lord Jesus, watch over all who suffer and are in pain. Bless all those who care for them.**



SCAN TO SEE THE  
MASS READINGS

**TEA & COFFEE**  
After Sunday  
Morning Masses in the  
hall  
*All Welcome!*

### FACE BOOK PAGES

CATHOLIC LEAMINGTON is [here](#)  
**OUR LADY'S** is [here](#)  
Links from website too

### PLEASE PRAY FOR PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST

**L**ORD 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.**

### JANUARY—MONTH OF THE HOLY NAME OF JESUS

There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved. *Acts 4:12*

# Jesus

**WELCOME TO MASS**, especially visitors and students returning for the new term.

Jesus' presence at a wedding reveals just how important marriage is. God is love, and to have the presence of God Himself at the start of any loving marriage is obviously the very best start.

It shows also His involvement in human life and joys is total—He is there to celebrate with the couple and their other guests. He also shows great generosity in supplying an abundance of wine once the original supply runs out. It's not a few bottles lurking at the back of a cupboard, but a whole new supply given in generous plenty. And at the heart of this is Jesus' Mother. Who among the guests would possibly have thought that when Mary said to the servants 'Do whatever He tells you' that such wonders will result. Mary knows all about God's wonders: no one has done as much in obedience to what God told her. *God bless us all, Fr Stephen*

**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!*

**OCTAVE OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY: 18-25 Jan.** There will be a joint service at St Paul's C of E Church, Leicester St, Leamington on this **Sun 19 Jan at 6.30pm**

**SOUND & MICROPHONES AT ST PETER'S:** We are aware of recently developing issues with the sound system. An engineer has been asked to investigate. Sorry for the problems. Can any user of hearing aids that connect to the hearing loop let us know if the loop is working?

**COME & PLAY: Tues 9:30—11am** in SP Hall. We welcome parents and children, no charge. Contact Clare Burdett—07720 887 002.

**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 MASS READINGS:** every Friday 11am in the Davenport Room.

**DIVINE MERCY DEVOTIONS: Fridays 3pm St Peter's.** At the hour of mercy come to implore mercy for the world and praise God!

**BISHOP RICHARD WALKER:** our area Bishop will be celebrating Mass at both Our Lady's and at St. Peter's next Sunday. This will be his first visit to our parishes—please make him welcome and speak to him about anything you think relevant. During 11.15am Mass he will formally admit our Deacon-in-formation, **Paul Milton**, to the ministries of lector and acolyte. This is a formal stage of progression on the path to ordination as a Deacon. Please pray for Paul and his family.

**YOUTH GROUP—SPARK Yrs6,7 & 8** Next meets **Thu 30 Jan 7pm**

**SYNOD / WALKING TOGETHER COMBINED ACTION GROUPS:** are meeting on Thursday 30 Jan at 7.30pm at Our Lady's Church Hall. See [www.catholicleamington.org.uk/synod](http://www.catholicleamington.org.uk/synod) for WT information.

**DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES: Sat 24—Fri 30 May.** Details on the diocesan website [here](http://www.catholicleamington.org.uk)

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY AT ST PETER'S** There *will* be a children's liturgy at St Peter's to start soon (in addition to Our Lady's). Please speak to Anna-Marie Foley or Fr Stephen or email the parish if you'd like to help. A core group of volunteers has come forward so this *will* be happening. Thank you to the volunteers.

**PASTORAL COUNCIL:** The joint Pastoral Council for both our parishes met last week and the minutes will be on the website next week.

Items considered were buildings, the unsustainable financial problems with St Peter's Hall, the Jubilee Year, our AGM (1 June), developing bereavement support and the lack of news about a retired priest coming to help.

**COULD YOU BE A SERVER?:** *Thank you* to our servers at both churches. *We'd love a few more!* Old or young, male or female there is an opportunity for you to bring added dignity and reverence to our worship, and to learn a little more about what happens and why at the altar. See Bob at St Peter's or Adrian at Our Lady's.

**YOUNG ADULTS GROUP:** If you're within the age group (18-35 years) and would like to join or continue the group (we have a group chat) do get in contact with Rose on 07484 127253.

**LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTIONS:** SP 1st – £799.53, 2nd (Church Maintenance) - £313.40, OL 1st—£261.30, 2nd (Church Roof Repairs) - £176.35.38. This weekend the Second collection is for **SP: Church Maintenance** and **OL: Church Roof Repairs. Thank you.**

**ARCHDIOCESE'S FINANCIAL REPORT:** It is possible to view the financial report of the Archdiocese, which contains a lot of information beyond simply figures, by visiting the diocesan website.

**SP 200 CLUB:** Subscriptions for 2025 are now due, please see Bill after the 11:15am Mass on Sundays or at Pastimes on Tuesdays. The January draw took place on Tuesday at Pastimes—1st Place (£50) - R. O'Sullivan, 2nd Place (£20) - S. Chan and 3rd Place (£10) - J. Lampitt. Congratulations to the winners.

**SPAN – Supporting People Across the Nations:** Our January meeting supported CAFOD, Daylight Christian Prison Trust, Kiirua Mission Hospital, Guy's Gift, and SVP appeals. See [www.catholicleamington.org.uk/span](http://www.catholicleamington.org.uk/span)

**7 DAY CANDLES:** This week the **Sanctuary** candles burn: **In Memory of Tony Sullivan RIP.** There are envelopes to arrange candles at the back of church.

**DISPOSING OF OLD MISSALS:** It is an ancient Jewish custom that holy books and scrolls, if no longer usable, should be buried. Just as human bodies reflect the glory and handiwork of God, so Scripture and books used for worship do the same. Therefore, the reverent placing of holy books in the ground, mirroring the reverent placing in the ground at burial of bodies and of ashes, is not simply a 'disposal' but a respectful returning to the earth, which may be done at home.

**CATHOLIC LEAMINGTON FACE BOOK PAGE** Direct link [HERE](https://www.facebook.com/catholicleamington)  
**DONATING TO THE PARISHES**

As well as the collection bags, via standing order, you may give by using the credit card machine at the back of St Peter's or scanning **the code** at the top left on the first page of this sheet with your smartphone or online via the website. *Thank you*

#### **ARRANGING A WEDDING**

**Congratulations on your engagement!** To arrange a wedding, a meeting with Fr Stephen is vital so that the canonical and civil processes can be followed. At least six months' notice is needed.

#### **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 facts and give out a baptism application form. We do not deal with initial arrangements by phone, email or through friends or other members of the family, but face to face. Parents need to attend a preparation session before the baptism can take place.

**PLEASE TAKE THIS SHEET HOME OR RETURN IT TO THE BACK OF CHURCH FOR OTHERS TO SEE, OR TAKE IT HOME, OR BEST OF ALL GIVE IT TO ABSENT PARISHIONERS.**  
*Please don't leave in the pew! Information and evangelisation... Thank you.*