

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

## 5th Sunday of Easter Year C: Sunday 18th May 2025: Holy Year



SCAN TO DONATE

THANK YOU!

**Parish Priest:** Fr Stephen Day 3a Dormer Place, Leamington Spa, CV32 5AA **Tel:** 01926 423 824.

**Office:** stpeterapostle.leamington@rcaob.org.uk **Parish Priest:** fr.stephen.day@rcaob.org.uk

**Website:** [catholicleamington.org.uk](http://catholicleamington.org.uk) **Facebook** RCatholicLeamington and ourladyslillington

**Working with:** St Joseph's, 47 Murcott Road, Whitnash CV31 2JJ **Parish Priest:** Fr David Hartley **Tel:** 01926 772712

**Office:** stjoseph.whitnash@rcaob.org.uk **Parish Priest:** fr.david.hartley@rcaob.org.uk **Website:** stjoseph47.org.uk

**Facebook:** stjosephwhitnash **Sunday Masses** 10am and 5.30pm

DAY	AT ST PETER'S	AT OUR LADY'S	INTENTION
<b>SUNDAY 18th</b> <b>5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b>	Confession 4.15-4.45pm <b>5pm: Vigil Mass</b> <b>St Patrick's Sch First Holy Communions</b>	~	Lorraine McVeigh RIP
	<b>11.15am Sung Mass</b>	<b>9.15am Sung Mass</b>	James Dunne RIP Irene Costa RIP; Carlos Alberto Dias RIP
Monday 19th <i>Opt. Mem. of St. Dunstan, Bp.</i>	~	~	<b>9:30am Mass at St. Joseph's, Whitnash.</b>
Tuesday 20th <i>Opt. Mem. of St. Bernardine of Sienna, Pr.</i>	~	10am Mass	Catherine Kennedy RIP; Bridie, Michael, & Christopher Daly RIP
Wednesday 21st <i>Opt. Mem. of Ss. Christopher Magallanes, Pr. &amp; Companions, Martyrs</i>	8.30am Mass	~	Evelyn Stephens RIP
Thursday 22nd <i>Opt. Mem. of St. Rita of Cascia, Relig.</i>	10am Mass	~	David Fletcher RIP
Friday 23rd <i>Easter Feria</i>	<b>11am Funeral Mass</b> 3pm Divine Mercy Devs	~	<i>Requiem: Clemency Jarvis RIP</i>
Saturday 24th <i>Easter Feria</i>	9am Holy Hour 9.15-45am Confessions 10am Mass	~	Filippo Marsala RIP
	Confession 4.15-4.45pm <b>5pm: Vigil Mass</b>	~	Sean Bell RIP
<b>SUNDAY 25th</b> <b>6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b>	<b>11.15am Sung Mass</b>	<b>9.15am Sung Mass</b>	People of the Parish Julia Dizon RIP Aniv.; Holy Souls

## CHRIST IS RISEN, ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA!

**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 sg.ccolc.lillington@rcaob.org.uk ; **St Peter's** Theresa Goh or Susan Chan email sg.stpeterapostle.leamington@rcaob.org.uk **These emails are for safeguarding matters only**

**Anniversaries of the faithful departed:** Samuel Hortin, Bridget Barta, Elizabeth McGillicuddy, Helena Stockford, Louisa Beard, Maudie Kafno, Bridget McGerty, Bernard Geraghty, Oliver Cosgrove, Christopher Marum, Martin Cosgriff, Joan Holmes, Daniel Sullivan, Margaret Daly, James Ward, Margaret Looney, Mgr. John Humphreys, Mgr. Wilfrid Moore, Cn. Wilfrid Smith, Fr. Joseph Griffin, Fr. Ernest Cook, Fr. William Lyons, Fr. Anthony Davies, Fr. Thomas Foynes, Fr. Michael McKenna, Fr. Patrick Taylor. **The recently deceased:** Dcn. Tony Rigby, Edward O'Rourke, John O'Loughlin, June Bell, Mary O'Sullivan, Mark O'Neill, Clemency Jarvis. **Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.**



SCAN TO SEE THE  
MASS READINGS

### TEA & COFFEE

After Sunday  
Morning Masses in the  
church halls  
*All Welcome!*



Online news [here](#)

### MORE SERVERS

### ALWAYS WELCOME

Young or old—see Fr Stephen, or Bob at St Peter's, or Adrian at Our Lady's

### FACE BOOK PAGES

CATHOLIC LEAMINGTON is [here](#)

OUR LADY'S is [here](#)

Links from website too



**MAY IS MARY'S MONTH**  
**PRAY FOR US, O HOLY MOTHER OF GOD!**

WE PRAY WITH THANKSGIVING FOR OUR NEW POPE



**LEO XIV**

**GOD BLESS OUR POPE!**



**WELCOME TO MASS**, as we celebrate the triumph of Jesus, risen from the dead! Alleluia! A command to love one another might seem illogical. After all, love (of whatever kind) is an emotion, a feeling that that it might be hard to create for those who annoy us, do us wrong or are simply people we've never met. Yet just as our consciences need to be informed by the teachings of Jesus, so do our thoughts and actions. To love one another is to have realised that everyone is made by God in His image and so loved by Him. Who am I to refuse to love what and who God loves? The new heaven and earth that John talks about in Revelation is an embodiment of this loving where every tear is wiped away as God dwells with man. There is no room for what separates us from God there—it is all what draws us close to Him and to one another: love. **God bless us all this Eastertide.** *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 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!***

**CHANGES TO ROUTINE THIS WEEK:** Our Lady's Mass is on Tuesday and Wednesday's Mass is at 8.30am at St Peter's as Fr Stephen has to be at a meeting in Birmingham on Wednesday morning.

**THIS SATURDAY AT 5PM MASS:** Five children from St Patrick's School will be receiving their first Holy Communion. Please pray for them.

**DURING EASTERTIDE:** We sing the 'Regina Coeli' in place of the 'Hail Mary' during the intercessions at Sunday morning Masses.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY:** At both parishes is now on. Thank you to *all* involved!

**PRAYING FOR ST PETER'S PARISH:** On **Sundays at 10:45am** an offering of the Rosary for discerning the renewed future of the parish.

**SPAN:** Our May meeting agreed £ 400 for charities helping orphans in Tanzania, tackling poverty in Togo & effective saving schemes in Africa.

**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**. A warm welcome awaits you at this lively weekly gathering in St. Peter's Hall.

**STUDY & REFLECTION ON MASS READINGS:** No meeting Friday 23 May, but resuming every Friday from 30 May 11-12 Davenport Room. ***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!

**YOUTH GROUP:** next meeting for school years 6,7,8 is **Thursday 22 May** – 7-8.30 pm - Davenport Room, Dormer Centre, St Peters.

**DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES:** **Sat 24—Fri 30 May**. Details on diocesan website [here](https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/) <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/>

**THE MEN'S GROUP:** the next Meal will be on **Tuesday 27 May** 7.45pm at the Royal Horse on Poseidon Way, CV34 6SW. For further information contact Peter Lawson on 01926 430176

**PARISH AGM—GENERAL MEETING OF THE JOINT PASTORAL COUNCIL:** **1 June St Peter's Hall 3pm.** ***All parishioners of both parishes are warmly invited.*** An opportunity to speak and to listen about finance, an evolving vision for the parishes' sustainability, and the future of our buildings. The hall and presbytery at St Peter's simply *cannot* go on indefinitely: we do not have the funds to maintain them. We need to pursue a workable vision. Come and help begin to discern what that is. At Our Lady's we need to be clear about what building work needs doing (beyond the roof), gather costings and then raise funds. Paperwork for the meeting will be available next weekend, a week beforehand.

**CHARITY INFO EVENING:** Find out about our Catholic Leamington charities: **The SVP, Kindaid, CAFOD and SPAN** invite you to a social evening on **Friday 6 June 7.30pm in St Peter's Hall.**

**Our prayers for the Sick:** Bill, Giovanni Allurlino, Marie Clare Banner, Edward Behan, Sarah Bonnalie, Pam Brambles, Silvia Brookes, Lee Burbury, Norman Byrne, Roger Elson, Mario Fasi, Wilfrid Feely, Sheila Freeman, Barbara Gekoski, Joe Graham, Eileen Hiorns, Mist Johnson, David Kendall, John Kiernan, Peter McCarthy, Alfreda McHale, Una Maddocks, Nathaniel Manning, Deborah Meades, Kate Miles, Fina Monastero, Michael Mulcahy, Andrew Murray, Paula Newton, Marcella Nicholls, Gill Parker, Jane Parker, 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.***

**MASS FOR THE SICK:** with anointing - **Saturday 7 June at 11am**, with refreshments in St. Peter's hall afterwards. If you want to attend this Mass and need help with transport, please contact -

Our Lady's, Richard Gordon Tel 07974 455732

St Peters, Peter May Tel 07890 938806

St Joseph, Brian Malone Tel 01926 613693

**PENTECOST PARTY:** **Sunday 8 June 1pm** To welcome into our parish family those who were received into the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil and to celebrate the birthday of the Church, there will be a shared lunch from 1pm in St. Peter's parish centre. All parishioners are invited. Please bring a plate of food for the shared table, savoury or sweet, if possible representing your country of origin. Further details from Gareth on 07539 502436 or [rcia.cathleam@gmail.com](mailto:rcia.cathleam@gmail.com).

**YOUTH JUBILEE DAY AT ST CHADS, BIRMINGHAM Saturday 5 July** - includes games, workshops, a tour and gives young people from across the Diocese the opportunity to come together and celebrate the great joy of being Pilgrims of Hope! A group will be attending from St Peters/ Our Lady's. More info contact Paul Milton – [paulmilton04@gmail.com](mailto:paulmilton04@gmail.com)

**ORDINATION TO THE DIACONATE:** Paul Milton will be ordained on **Sunday 13 July, 3pm at St Chad's Cathedral**. Please pray for him and please be at the Cathedral. Paul will not be in the parishes here until 25 May as part of his formation needs to include a month in a different parish. This he is spending at St Patrick's, Coventry.

**OUR LADY'S HERITAGE OPEN DAY:** afternoon of **14 Sept 2025**.

**LEAMINGTON HERITAGE OPEN DAY:** **13 Sept** from 11am—4pm.

Volunteers have come forward for St Peter's—***thank you!***

**YOUNG ADULTS GROUP:** Gabriel and Freya from St Peter's are now running the young adults group (18-30). Please contact Gabriel on 07778 184 345 for more information and the next meeting.

**COULD YOU BE A SERVER? COULD YOUR SON OR DAUGHTER?:** ***Thank you*** to our servers at both churches. ***We'd love more!*** See Bob at St Peter's or Adrian at Our Lady's.

**J&P PRAYER INTENTION:** for May is that we may all be sensitive to the needs of people around us with mental health issues.

**LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTION:** SP 1st – £655.58, 2nd (Clergy Training) - £356.84. OL 1st—£553.32, 2nd (Clergy Training) - £272.88. This weekend the Second collection at SP is for **Church Maintenance** and at OL for: **Church Roof Repairs.** ***Thank you.***

**7 DAY CANDLES:** This week the **St. Joseph's** Altar Candle burns: **For Roger Elson's Recovery**. There are envelopes at back of church. Please post in the collection at Mass. Thank you.

**NEW VESTMENTS:** The imminent arrival of a deacon means the need of new vestments for Mass including deacon's dalmatics. A couple of sizeable donations have been promised, for which we are grateful. If you would like to contribute please speak to Fr Stephen. They can of course be dedicated in memory of departed loved ones.

**CATHOLIC SCHOOLS' FOUNDATION GOVERNORS:** Trinity Secondary School and some of our parish primary schools are short of foundation governors, a role that can be filled only by practicing Catholics since Foundation Governors exist to promote the Catholic nature of the school in both the education it provides and the ethos it promotes. Interested in Trinity? Stephen Baker, [sbaker@gov.magnificat.org.uk](mailto:sbaker@gov.magnificat.org.uk)

#### **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.