

CATHOLIC LEAMINGTON: 7th Sunday of Easter
Sunday 29th May 2022

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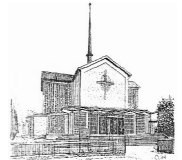
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St Joseph's

Sunday 29th May

7th Sunday of Easter

9.00: Chris Scullane RIP Birthday Anniversary

5:30: Peggy Doyle's Intentions

Monday 30th

No Mass

Tuesday 31st

No Mass

Thursday 2nd June

7:00: Philip Archer

Friday 3rd

No Mass

Saturday 4th

No Mass

Sunday 5th

Solemnity of Pentecost

9.00: Madgie O'Callaghan

5:30: Joe & Rose McGreevy RIP;
Sue Cleary RIP

The recently deceased of our Churches:

Mgr. Lightbound, Richard "Dick" Cotter, Andrew Deasy, Marie Allen, Christopher & Margaret Marum, Kathleen Donovan, John Sheehan, Timothy O'Sullivan.
May they rest in peace.

Saint of the week

Monday 30th May

The Solemnity of Dedication

Tuesday 31st May

Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Wednesday 1st June

Memorial of St. Justin, Martyr

Thursday 2nd June

Opt. Memorial of Ss. Marcellinus and Peter, Martyrs

Friday 3rd June

Memorial of Ss. Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs

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St Peter's & Our Lady's

Saturday 28th May

SP: 10:00: Frank Garvey RIP

SP: 5:00: Dennis Hunt RIP

Sunday 29th

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SP 9:00: People of the Parish

SP: 9:50—Coffee Morning after Mass

OL: 10:00: Robert Habgood

SP: 11:00: David Manning RIP

SP: 12:00—Coffee Morning after Mass

Monday 30th

SP: 9:30: Good Health and Wellbeing

SP: 10:00—Coffee Morning after Mass

Tuesday 31st

SP: 10:00: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

SP: 10:30: Rosary

SP: 11:00: Joanne Armitage

Wednesday 1st June

OL: 12:00: People of the Parish

Thursday 2nd

SP: 11:00: 50th Wedding Anniversary

Friday 3rd

SP: 11:00: Doris Henshaw

Saturday 4th

SP: 9:00: Holy Hour and Confessions

SP: 10:00: Janet Hollis

SP: 5:00: Julia Dizon RIP

Sunday 5th

Solemnity of Pentecost

SP 9:00: Julia Knight

SP: 9:50—Coffee Morning after Mass

OL: 10:00: Michael Godwin;

Kathleen Donovan

SP: 11.00: Florence Keenan

Confessions:

St. Peter's: Saturdays: 9:15—9:45am, 4:15—4:45pm

Our Lady's: After Mass if a priest is available.

St Joseph's : On Request

Exposition:

St. Peter's: Tuesdays: 10 - 10:45am

Our prayers for the Sick: Fr. Tony Rohan, Vincent Coleman, Ahmed Musa, Fina Monastero, Stanley Godwin, Patrick Campbell, Margaret Smith, Peter Simmons, Sheila Ireland, Joe Graham, Flor Duckett, Caleb O'Neill, Anne Fraser, John Curran, Peter Curran, Portia Brightburn, Cyril Sheard, Giovanni Allurlino, Edward Behan, Pam Brambles, Mary Craig, Mario Fasi, Eileen Hiorns, Mist Johnson, David Kendall, Nathaniel Manning, Kate Miles, Paula Newton, Jim Olexa, Fr Malcolm Prince, Ann Reilly, Marie-Clare Banner, Patricia Robinson, Marjorie Smedley, Terena Tam, Terry Tam, George Wall, Elizabeth Weston, Peter Wright & all those at home, or in the nursing homes & hospitals of the Parish.

St Peter's & Our Lady's

Dear Parishioners,

Here is some background on this Sundays Gospel Reading

On the seventh Sunday of Easter, we always read from the 17th chapter of John's Gospel. This chapter of John's Gospel comes at the conclusion of Jesus' Farewell Discourse delivered to the disciples at the Last Supper. The whole of this chapter is a prayer of Jesus, commending himself to the Father and expressing his care and concern for his disciples. At the end of this prayer, Jesus and his disciples depart for the garden, and Jesus is arrested.

Several important themes appear in this prayer of Jesus. First, Jesus' prayer reaffirms the complete union between Jesus and the Father. Throughout John's Gospel, Jesus has been presented as the one who pre-existed with the Father and as the one sent by the Father to do his work on earth. In today's reading, we hear Jesus ask that the unity he experiences with the Father be extended to all who believe in him. He prays that we be one with each other, with him, and with the Father. We are reminded that Christ is the source of Christian unity. Through Christ, we are united with one another and with God our Father.

Belief is a major theme in the Gospel of John. It begins in the prologue and continues in the response to Jesus' signs. Belief is the reason Jesus performs signs and the reason signs have been recorded in the Gospel. Here Jesus prays not only for those who believe in him but for all who will come to believe in him. And he prays that the love of the Father in him may also be in all who believe so that Jesus might be in them as well.

Every Blessing,

Fr. Benedict

SAFEGUARDING: St Peter's Theresa Goh or Susan Chan email sg.stpeterapostle.leamington@rcaob.org.uk, Our Lady's Claire Walsh 01926 430070; St Joseph's Honor Hynes email sg.stjoseph.whitnash@rcaob.org.uk. The **Archdiocese Safeguarding Team** can be contacted on 0121 230 6240. An independent support group for survivors of abuse free tel. 0808 801 0331.

St Joseph's

Confessions will be heard on request.

Our Lady's 7 Day Candle Intentions for 2022: Dates are available from 7th July, please place your request together with your donation (£5.00) through the Presbytery letterbox.

Gift Aid Envelopes: If you are a taxpayer and would like to contribute weekly via a weekly envelope please contact the office.



This week
Our Lady's
Seven Day
Candle

burns this week for:

Than Myint Gabbala

Piety: There is a selection of Cards & gifts in the Narthex.

Roof & Boiler Repairs: This repair work has now started. The work is expected to take a few weeks and once completed the other repairs required inside the Sacristy/Piety Shop area will be addressed. All of this work will be covered by insurance. For Health & Safety reasons due to the ongoing building work, please use the front doors to enter & exit the Church. Thank you.

Second Collection: There will be a Second Collection this week for **Catholic Communications**

No Mass: Due to Father being away, there will be no 9:30am morning Masses this week. There will be Mass at 7pm on Thursday and also 9am & 5:30pm on Sunday.

Welcome and Thank You: We welcome Fr. Chris Greaney who will be saying the Masses on Thursday & Sunday this week, we thank him for allowing us to have Masses whilst Fr. Noel is on Holiday.

PENTECOST PARTY: Sunday 5th June, from 12.30pm in St. Peter's Parish Centre. This is an opportunity to welcome into our Catholic family Joe, Ricky and Andrew, who were recently received into the Church, as well as a way to celebrate the feast of Pentecost as a community. All are welcome. It will be a shared lunch, so please bring some food to share, savoury or sweet. For more information contact Margaret 01926 428399.

St Peter's & Our Lady's

Anniversaries of the faithful departed: Joseph Keane, Gianni Valle, Catherine McCarthy, Susan Cleary, Mercedes Connon, Mary Adams, Gerard Cullen, Mary Harrison, Michael Godwin, Guistina Restituto, Bernard Taylor, Arthur Broughton, Andrew Brown, Stephen McGrath, Daniel O'Driscoll, Michael Murphy, John Thurlough, Patrick Connolle, Mgr. Wilfrid Doran, Canon John Hughes, Canon Harry Bouchier, Fr. Dermot Corcoran, Fr. Joseph Lacy, Fr. Cornelius Healy, Fr. Charles Dessain CO, Fr. William O'Brien, Fr. John Lane, Fr. Benedict Tarbuck, Fr. John Crean, Deacon William Parker. *Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, Rest in Peace. Amen.*

Parish Social Events at St. Peter's this year

We are running several Social Fundraising Events this year. Dates for your diary this year:

****UPDATED** Saturday 18th June:** Tea Dance - Price £7.00 p/person. Afternoon Tea and live music — Please see poster in the porches at St. Peter's and Our Lady's. This is a joint fundraiser with St. Peter's School.

Saturday 17th September: Fashion Show—Price £10.00 p/person. The return of the very successful Fashion show we previously held in 2019. This is a joint fundraiser with a percentage of the funds going to Helping Hands.

Friday 21st October: Tapas Evening—Price: £10.00 p/person. The return of the very well attended Tapas evening. To include a Tapas meal, Bar and DJ.

Saturday 3rd December: To be Announced.

If you would like to volunteer to help at any of the events above or would like to join the newly reformed Social Committee please email the Parish Office on stpeterapostle.leamington@rcaob.org.uk with the title Social Committee.

**** The Sparrows**** - We are back from our trip to see our friends at Our Lady's, the Starlings—Steve, Sandra and their new born Simon, we had a great time and just managed to see Simon take flight for the first time. Best Tweets, The Sparrows. **Pastimes:** is up and running every Tuesday from 11-30 until 3 pm in St. Peter's Parish Hall. We are a friendly, welcoming and inclusive group and would love you to join us!, There are various activities such as Scrabble, jigsaws, crafts, book club, sewing and of course opportunities for fundraising! There is always a listening ear and the opportunity for a chat. The Nations favourite cup of tea, and cake, is provided!! You can do as much or as little as you like.....no pressure!

Young Adults Group: The Young Adults Group is open to all Catholics between the ages of 18-30. We meet on the Second Monday of the month, 7pm at St Peter's Church. Our group meets for a talk in the parish hall, or a time of prayer in church, followed by a social time together.

You would be most welcome. For more information please visit <https://www.catholicleamington.org.uk/young-adults-18-30.html> or contact Rose on rosemary.pauling@btinternet.com

Young Adults Group: Next event will be mass on evening of 13th June followed by a bbq - if you would like to join the bbq pre-book only and let us know if you're coming for catering purposes for us all to coordinate what we're bringing by the 10th June.

World Gift Donations for Janice and Brian Austin: If you missed the very lovely mass and social event last week at which we thanked Janice and Brian for all their work in the parish over 50 years and would like to donate to a CAFOD World Gift as a 'thank you' to them

Please put a donation in the Span box marking it as a donation for a World Gift – or send a cheque to Michael Barker 77 Montrose Avenue CV 32 7DS or through the bank SPAN Sort code 402706 Acct 21324004 ref World gift. Janice and Brian thank everyone for helping to make it a memorable occasion for them.

Parish Roast Dinner: The next Parish Sunday Lunch will be on Sunday 29th May after the 11am Mass. The cost is £15.00 p/person. Please place your name on the Sign-up sheet at the back of St. Peter's and Our Lady's Churches.

Parish visiting: Can you help with visiting; would you like to be visited? Now that home visits can begin again, after nearly two years of Covid restrictions, the Parish Visiting Team and the Welcoming Group are re-starting. They are appealing for new members to join them. Contact: Peter Dimambro 01926 428399 mdimambro@hotmail.co.uk

Tea Dance: at St. Peter's on Saturday 18th June starting at 2pm. There will be a selection of Sandwiches, Scones, Cakes and Prosecco. There will also be a live Classical Quartet band. Cost is £7-00 per person. Please call Giovanna to book - 07780 543976

Request of Accommodation: A volunteer at the Commonwealth Games is looking for accommodation for the duration of the Games in Leamington Spa, between 19th July –10th August. The lady will be working every day, so only require a bed and washing facilities, and will be providing her own food. If you can help accommodate this volunteer please let the Parish Office know either by email or by telephone (please leave a message with your name and number).

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St Vincent de Paul Society: are looking for a Treasurer to help run the finance side of the conference at St Joseph's. It would suit someone with financial or book keeping experience (Microsoft Excel based), but training will also be given. It will involve 3-4 hours a month and attending the conference meetings. If you can help us, please contact Brian on 01926 613693 or David 07713 246987, to learn more about this role.

Synod Report from the Catholic Leamington Walking Together Team: The is available online at www.catholicleamington.org.uk/synod Two full copies are available to view in each church. The main report has been printed for parishioners this weekend with the Appendices available online. The Walking Together Team hope that the report will be seen as helpful for our parishes moving forward. Contact paulhayden444@gmail.com with any queries.

Youth Ministry Opportunity: Are you ready for adventure? And looking for a Catholic Gap Year? The Kenelm Youth Trust are looking for young adults aged 18-25 who are down-to-earth, are committed to their faith, and who want to work with young people. More info here: <https://www.kenelmyouthtrust.org.uk/youthministryteam.html> Youth 2000 are also looking for a Gap Year Volunteer - someone who is a recent graduate (within the last 5 years). Please see the person specification here: <https://www.youth2000.org/openings>

The Catholic Leamington Justice & Peace Rosary intention for June is: "We pray that the Ukrainian refugees who are being offered hospitality by families in Britain may feel safe and welcome here."

SPAN Lenten Alms plus more: Thank you, Catholic Leamington for allowing SPAN to provide £ 2,500 worth of food vouchers to families mainly via our primary schools, £ 1,000 to Zoe's Place Baby Hospice in Coventry and £ 1,000 to Kiirua Mission Hospital in Kenya via Kindaid. 25% more will follow when we claim the Gift Aid on donations. We also sent £ 500 to CAFOD's Ukraine appeal over this period and thanks to your generosity agreed at our open meeting last Monday to send £ 400 to the UNICEF Yemen appeal, £ 350 to Deki providing micro loans in Togo, as well as responding to social worker requests for a family being relocated following domestic abuse and enabling Coventry Refugee and Migrant Centre to help two Nigerian ladies trying to get citizenship to prevent them being deported without their children. The minutes and how to support SPAN can be found at www.catholicleamington.org.uk/span or contact paulhayden444@gmail.com

Diocesan response to Synod Reports across the diocese: Our Parish Report and the Diocesan Synthesis can be read online from www.catholicleamington.org.uk/synod Contact paulhayden444@gmail.com with any queries.

Ukraine Appeal: The Leamington Polish Centre are looking for further much needed community donations of the following goods for the Ukrainian Aid Effort: Pasta, Rice, Barley, Lentils, Flour, Cereals. Canned or Instant Soup, Canned Vegetables, Canned Meat & Fish, Dried Fruit, Energy Bars, Tea, Coffee and Sugar. Donations may be dropped off at the new Army Surplus Warehouse, Harbury Lane, CV33 9SA, which is open Monday—Saturday, 9am—4pm.

Friday Luncheon Club: This month the lunch will be held at Pierre Bistro on Park Street, at 1-0 pm. Please add your name to the list on the notice board in the Church porch if you would like to join us. New members very welcome. Contact Carmel on 01926 859303 for any queries.

World Meeting of Families: In preparation for the World Meeting of Families they have produced a Prayer Station resource to be used in parishes, and can be used at any time of the year. <https://www.celebratetrust.org/celebratehome-prayer-stations>

The Prayer Stations have been developed primarily for children to be accompanied by a mix of parents/carers, grandparents, catechists and parishioners, to travel together in small groups from station to station to create an interactive prayer journey. The content is based on Scripture and Church teaching on the family echoing some of the themes from the 10th World Meeting of Families 2022 documents.

May EXTRA: Your May EXTRA is now available on the Catholic Leamington website here: www.catholicleamington.org.uk/newsletter In this edition - Cafod - Live Simply - Reflection on leaving the Parish - Synod - Easter Receptions into the Church.

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