

CATHOLIC LEAMINGTON: Solemnity of Pentecost

Sunday 5th June 2022

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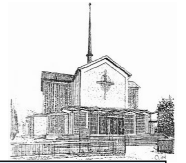
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St Joseph's

St Peter's & Our Lady's

Sunday 5th June

Solemnity of Pentecost

9:00: Madgie O'Callaghan

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

Monday 6th

9:30: Paddy O'Connor;
Betty McDermott RIP

Tuesday 7th

9:30: Zena Godwin;
David Harwar RIP Anniversary

Thursday 9th

9:30: *Requiem: Andrew Deasy RIP*

7:00: No Mass

Friday 10th

9:30: Kathleen O'Shea

Saturday 11th

9:30: People of the Parish
11:00: *Baptism: Alicia Weir*

Sunday 12th

Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

9:00: Margaret Walsh Anniversary

11:00: *First Holy Communions*

5:30: Kathleen Donovan RIP

Saturday 4th June

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

SP: 12:00—Coffee Morning after Mass

Monday 6th

SP: 9:30: Deirdre Mulleague

SP: 10:00—Coffee Morning after Mass

SP: 2:30: Funeral Service: Marie Allen RIP

Tuesday 7th

SP: 10:00: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

SP: 10:30: Rosary

SP: 11:00: Patricia Priest

Wednesday 8th

SP: 10:00: Requiem: Margaret & Christopher Marum RIP

OL: 12:00: Robert Habgood

Thursday 9th

SP: 11:00: Grayling 50th Wedding Anniversary

Friday 10th

SP: 11:00: Sally-Ann Bird

Saturday 11th

SP: 9:00: Holy Hour and Confessions

SP: 10:00: Fr. Tony Rohan

SP: 5:00: Margaret Marsh

Sunday 12th

Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

SP 9:00: John Roberts

SP: 9:50—Coffee Morning after Mass

OL: 10:00: People of the Parish

SP: 11:00: David Hannan RIP;

Richard Power RIP

Saint of the week

Monday 6th June

Memorial of Mary, Mother of the Church

Thursday 9th June

Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, Eternal High Priest

Saturday 11th June

Memorial of St. Barnabas, Apostle

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

The recently deceased of our Churches:

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

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

Seven-day candles:

The Our Lady Chapel candle burn this week for: **Kenneth Wolstenholme**

Dear Parishioners,

This Sunday we celebrate the great Feast of Pentecost, the Birthday of the church when the apostles were filled with the Holy Spirit. It is the same Spirit which today flows through the church and fills it with the living presence of Christ. Together, we are the Body of Christ and represent his life in the world. The Holy Spirit is the divine gift of God, the Father, and the Son, to all who seek it with a pure heart. It is the purity of God poured into the hearts of all believers.

When we pray to the Holy Spirit we need to be open to where it leads. It fills us with life and strength for the journey as it unfolds. This is true for all believers but especially those who have a Sacramental vocation. In marriage husband and wife administer the sacrament of divine love to each other in unity and partnership. In the Sacrament of Holy Orders, priests receive the divine love of God through outpouring of the Spirit for the purpose of their ministry as co-workers with the Bishop. As the successor of the Apostles, the Bishop is the person who discerns the Holy Spirit for all believers. For priests this means we accept the authority of the Bishop and his successors, in lives offered to God and the serving the needs of the faithful. For some of the clergy this means working in parishes, some have special responsibilities and chaplaincies. We are all in the business of saving souls. Everything we do is at the behest of our Bishop, who is our shepherd and guide.

Over the past few months there have been some changes in the geographical administration of our Diocese. I mentioned to you recently how the fraternity of parishes in the Warwick Deanery had merged with the churches in and around Rugby. Soon the parishes in the Banbury Deanery may also be incorporated. The reasoning is to meet the needs of the Catholic community. The decline in the number of active clergy means the time is coming when further changes may be necessary. As our recent synodal discussions have identified, active parishioners will be encouraged to lead and participate in the management of their church, allowing the clergy to teach, lead, celebrate Mass and administer the sacraments.

The Holy Spirit has decided it is time for the leadership in our two churches in Leamington and Lillington to change. I will be leaving the parish at the end of July.

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St Joseph's

Confessions will be heard on request.

Our Lady's 7 Day Candle Intentions for 2022: Dates are available from 10th July, please place your request together with your donation (£5.00) through the Presbytery letterbox.



This week
Our Lady's
Seven Day
Candle
burns this week for:

Dolores Eales

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

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

Roof & Boiler Repairs: Once this work is completed the other repairs required inside the Sacristy/Piety Shop area will be addressed. All of this work will be covered by insurance.

No Mass: There will be no 7pm Mass on Thursday 9th June.

Please use Front Entrance: of the Church due to ongoing building work in the rear entrance.

Thank You: Bridie O'Connor and the family would like to thank Parishioners at St. Joseph's for their kindness, support and words of comfort on the death of Paddy. They also wish to thank everyone for their prayers and their presence at his Requiem Mass.

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.

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 Peter's & Our Lady's

Anniversaries of the faithful departed: Dan Daly, Paul Weclawek, Guistina Restituto, Christopher O'Sullivan, Joseph Hegarty, Robert Harkin, Mary Crawford, Leon Chalaczkiewicz, Denis Quinn, Denis Murray, Vera Maguire, Julia Higgins, David Harwar, Tom Feighoney, Dermot O'Boyle, William McCabrey, Noel O'Reilly, Francesco La Spisa, Anne Adamson, Elise Delia, Bishop James Dey, Mgr. Bernard Robinson, Canon Harry Bouchier, Fr. John Crean, Fr. Peter Gallagher, Fr. Denis Shiel CO, Fr. Thomas Hampton, Fr. John McIver, Fr. John Lane, Fr. Timothy Cronin, Fr. William Quinn, Fr. Gerard McArdle, Fr. Cyril Adams, Deacon Peter Phelan. ***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.

Dear Parishioners Continued:...Fr Benedict will be taking up a new appointment as assistant priest in the parish of Christ the King in Coventry in mid-July. I will be taking a sabbatical which means I am leaving but don't yet know where I am going to end up. My view in these matters is found in the words of the song by Paul Young, "Wherever I lay my hat, that's my home!"

So, it is going to be all change! I wonder where the Holy Spirit will lead us? On this Feast of Pentecost – the Birthday of the Church, let us pray for the parish family, our faith community and not forgetting our priests. Fr Stephen Day will be moving from St Thomas More in Coventry to look after Leamington and Lillington at the end of July.

This weekend we pray for Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II, as she celebrates her Platinum Jubilee as reigning monarch of our Country and the Commonwealth. The Bishop's Conference of England and Wales has sent special prayers to be said at each Mass.

Every Blessing,

Fr. John

****The Sparrows**** - We have had a new ingenious way to get food without even having to fly. The suet ball mysteriously appeared in the old branches of a bush and a pigeon devours the whole lot but there are crumbs aplenty below for us to Hoover up. 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 prebook 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.

Parish Roast Dinner: The next Parish Sunday Lunch will be on Sunday 26th June 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.

They have been developed to be as engaging and inclusive as possible, and provide discovery and formation elements to evangelise and catechise and help build family and church community.

Below is also a link to their online family packs that support faith formation in the home.

<https://www.celebratetrust.org/onlinefamilyactivitypacks>

It must be noted that although they are free to download Celebrate would be very grateful for any donations to cover the costs of producing the resource.

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