

CATHOLIC LEAMINGTON: 26th Sunday of the Year (A)
28th September 2020 : Day of prayer in thanksgiving for the harvest.

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St Peter's & Our Lady's

Sunday 27th September

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time A

11.00: Thanksgiving for the Kaung Family
Private Intention (C.H.)

3.00: Baptism: Vito La Barbera

Tuesday 29

SP 1:30: Requiem: Bridget Purcell

SP 7.00: Jim Daly; and Jim McGivern

Wednesday 30

OL 11.00: Emmanuel Toutoungi

Thursday 1st October

SP 9.30 am (Live Stream only) School Mass.

SP 1.00pm Requiem: Flora Marie DeMatteis

Friday 2nd Harvest Fast Day

SP 11.00: Margaret Dunne

Saturday 3rd Vigil

OL 12.30 Mass: Kate Briddon

Sunday 4th October

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time A

SP 11.00: People of the Parish

Saints of the week

Tuesday 29th September :

Feast of Saints Michael, Gabriel and Rafael, Archangels .

Wednesday 30th :

Memorial of St Jerome, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

Thursday 1st October :

Memorial of St Theresa of the Child Jesus.
Virgin and Doctor of the Church

Friday 2nd October:

Memorial of the Guardian Angels.

Confessions:

At **St Joseph's** : Saturday 10.00-10.30 am. Please wait in the Narthex before being called into church.

At **Our Lady's**: Before Mass on Saturday morning from 11.45—12.15 ish.

St Peter's: Saturdays from 4.00-5.00 pm. Please wait outside the West Doors until you are called in.

The recently deceased of our churches:

Elizabeth Burt, Flora Maria DeMatteis, Paul Fitzpatrick, Bridie Purcell, Mark Andrews, Alice Williams, Kathleen Underhill, Vincenzo Scinaldi, Patrick McDermott,
May they rest in peace.

SAFEGUARDING: St Peter's & Our Lady's Claire Walsh 01926 430070; St Joseph's Honor Hynes email safeguarding.stjosephs@gmail.com. The **Archdiocese Safeguarding Team** can be contacted on 0121 230 6240. An independent support group for survivors of abuse free tel. 0808 801 0331.

There will be a Second Collection at All Churches next Sunday (4/10) for Peter's Pence

St Joseph's

Sunday 27th September

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time A

9.00: Anna Jelonek's Intentions

Monday 28th

7.00: Monica McVeigh RIP & Alice Williams RIP

Tuesday 29th

9.30: Deceased Members of the Harwar and Keating families

Thursday 1st October

11.00: Requiem: Kathleen Underhill

7.00: David Malin RIP & Rita Flanagan RIP

Friday 2nd Harvest Fast Day

9.30: Intentions of Tadwiga and Waclaw Kuczyuski & Elaine Murphy RIP

Saturday 26th

9.30: In thanksgiving (AJ)

Sunday 4th October

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time A

9.00: Stephan Bl. de Rozari RIP

5:30: People of the Parish (Youth led Mass)

Our prayers for Giovanni Allurlino, Fr David Bazen, Solange Beccles, Edward Behan, Pam Brambles, Mary Craig, Mario Fasi, Edna Hale, Eileen Hiorns, Jo Holleron, Estelle Holmes, John Ireson, Mist Johnson, David Kendall, Mgr Christopher Lightbound, Antonina La Spisa, Nathaniel Manning, Kate Miles, Paula Newton, Jim Olexa, Fr Malcolm Prince, Ann Reilly, Marie Robinson, Patricia Robinson, Peggy Rowlands, Marjorie Smedley, Luke Sweeney, Terena Tam, Terry Tam, George Wall, Elizabeth Weston, Peter Wright & all those at home, or in the nursing homes & hospitals of the parish.

Lord Jesus, watch over all who suffer and are in pain. Bless all those who care for them.

St Peter's & Our Lady's

Seven-day candles:

The Altar candles burn for **Mrs. Mary McGivern**, and for the **Housebound of the Parish**.

The Our Lady Chapel candle burns for a **Private Intention**.

The St Joseph's Chapel candle burns for **the Sick**.

Stewards and cleaners will be needed at every public event in the church for many months and even years to come. I appeal to those who are able, to offer some of your free time. Full training will be given. Contact Martin Foley on martin-foley73@gmail.com if you can help at St Peter's. At Our Lady's Church, volunteers are asked to contact Fr John at the Parish Office.

The new RCIA Course (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults will begin on 11th November at 7.30 pm via Zoom . This is a course designed for those who would like to learn more about the Catholic Faith. The course will be presented by our Catechists by means of instructions, questions and answer and further reading. If you would like to sign up for the course please contact either Fr John or Margaret Dimambro.

We need a new Foundation Governor at St Anthony's School. Can you help? Contact Fr Benedict the School Chaplain.

Bertie: I think Fr Benedict and I might have something in common! His name means 'Blessed' and I have often heard Fr John say "where's that blessed dog?" Best woofs, Bertie.

Catholic Schools need your support. They were built and paid for by the parishioners of our churches for your children to learn about the Catholic Faith. Our schools are free.

Princethorpe College will be having an Open day on Sunday 4th October from 10 am to 3pm. Crackley Hall and Little Crackers Open Day is 8th October 9 am—4pm. Princethorpe VI Form Wednesday 14th October 6.30pm to 9 pm. All will be by appointment only so please call Princethorpe School 01926 634200 or email : post@princethorpe.co.uk

The Hand in Hand Group, the Deanery wide support group for adults with learning and physical disabilities, have provided us with an update: Each member of our parishes will have coped differently with restrictions and anxieties of the past six months. It has been the same for those in the hand in hand group with disabilities. It has been an isolating and anxious time, as the usual care services and social activities have closed down, creating a huge loss for those with little to no local family support available. Our normal monthly meetings have stopped but our group has tried to keep in touch by phone or WhatsApp. We've had a little more time to talk, listen and to give and receive support and friendship. A few of us even joined s monthly international prayer group over Zoom, which was set up for people with learning disabilities and friends. We've twice met in the park with some recently enjoying a socially-distanced picnic by the bandstand.

Kindaid are organising a Quiz on Sunday 8th October at 6:30pm. Hosted by Dan and Caroline Graham. There will be something for everyone and families are especially welcome to join in. The last quiz was a lovely opportunity for members of the parish and other Kindaid supporters to come together for an evening of fun and laughter. There is no charge but donations to Kindaid are invited. If you are interested, please email maryrouse@rocketmail.com and you will be sent further details and a Zoom invitation.

Baptisms: Last Sunday, **Vito La Barbera** was welcomed into the family of the Church. This Sunday we welcome **Natan Kaczmarek**. May God watch over them and keep them safe.

St Peter's & Our Lady's

Dear Parishioners,

It was good to welcome Fr Benedict to his new home and new parish on Friday morning. He is keen to begin and I am glad he has arrived. Running two churches alone has been a challenge. I have conducted 8 funerals in two months which is quite a few in addition to the management of the parish, most of the weekday masses and the deanery. I have arranged a 24 hour emergency call out for Warwick Hospital for those clergy who can. This means I am on 24 hour call from Tuesday to Wednesday evening. One day I had 1 mass, 1 Requiem Mass, 1 afternoon last rites call and 1 call at 10 pm. I was on my knees by the time I got back! So I am looking forward to working in partnership with Fr Benedict and I am sure you are all looking forward to meeting him too.

I will say a Live Stream mass only on this Thursday as I have a Funeral Service at 1 pm. Please note Funerals are restricted to 30 and are for family only. Every Blessing Fr John.

St Joseph's

Sunday 5.30pm Mass: This Mass will restart on Sunday 4th October, the first one will be led by the Youth Group. Social Distancing will be in place, please remember to wear your Face Masks.

Church Cleaners / Stewards: We still need more volunteers over 18 and under 70 to offer to help so that we can continue to open our Church and offer Public Mass every day. If you can help, please contact the Office by phone (Wednesdays) or by email.

 This week Our Lady's Seven Day Candle burns for Deceased members of O'Neill Family

Gift Aid Envelopes for this current year which have not yet been collected are available from Fr Noel or the Sacristy.

Fr Andy's Leaving Collection: If you would like to contribute please put your contribution in an envelope clearly marked "Fr Andy's Collection" through

the Presbytery letterbox or in the collection basket after each Mass.

Standing Orders/PayPal: Thank you to all the parishioners who have set up Standing Orders or PayPal payments. These have been a great help to the parish during the recent times. If you have set up a payment please ensure you have given the details to the Parish Office as we still have several unidentified payments Many Thanks. If you are now paying your Gift Aid donations by Standing Order instead of yellow envelope please return your box of envelopes to the Parish Office or put through the Presbytery letterbox.

Baptisms: If you previously had a date booked for a Baptism at St Joseph's contact the Office on Wednesdays.

CAFOD Harvest Fast Day this year is on Friday 9th October and will be dedicated to raising much needed funds to deal with the Covid crisis in the countries in which they are working – Brazil, Peru, Myanmar, Palestinian West Bank, Sri Lanka, Zimbabwe, Liberia, Kenya, Honduras, Sierra Leone, Kenya. The CAFOD Covid Appeal has already raised £2.5 million online at www.cafod.org.uk If you have already given, thank you. If you have not yet done so, go to our Catholic Leamington website page under PARISH ACTIVITIES or contribute on Harvest Fast Day.

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Creation Today's prayer: **To mark the Season of Creator God**, open our hearts to the sufferings of the landless poor who endure violence and threat. Forgive us for the sin of indifference. St Francis, you were jailed and beaten, brother to the outcast. May your compassion be our guide.

St Francis, pray for us. More at: cafod.org.uk/Pray/Prayer-resources/Novena-to-St-Francis#anchor for video and printable resources.

Anniversaries of the faithful departed: Mary McGarvey, Mary Smith, John Beamish, Salvatore Fragola, Patrick O'Brien, Frances Pickering, Stephen King, Patrick O'Mullane, Ellen Hill, Catherine Fitzpatrick, Josef Nowak, Jim Ryan, Sean Hogan, James McGivern, Kathleen Briddon, Mgr. Henry Farrelly, HH. Pope John Paul I, Fr. Edward Cotter, Fr. Lawrence Daly, Fr. Denis Egan, Deacon Tony Colby, Fr. William McGann, Deacon John Burrows, Fr. John Nightingale, Fr. John Danaher. **May they rest in peace.**

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Can You H E L P

Can you be a Hero ? Heroes are our parish volunteers aged 18 to 69 who help us to open the Church for Masses, Baptisms, Funerals, First Holy Communions.

We need many more people to help in the church as stewards and cleaners. Any event in the church where parishioners are present must have at least 2 stewards and more if there are over 30 people present.

For Sunday mass we need 4 stewards and 2 cleaners

For Sunday Baptisms we need 2 stewards and 1 cleaner

For a Funeral we need 3 stewards and 2 cleaners.

It is the same people who help 2, 3 or 4 times a week

We need your help because we do not have enough volunteers

If you could spare an hour or two when we open the church that would be a great help.

If

Contact stpeterapostle.leamington@rcaob.org.uk

Or call 01926 423824 and leave a message.