

# CATHOLIC LEAMINGTON

## 4th Sunday of Easter: Sunday 21st April 2024

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DAY	AT ST PETER'S	AT OUR LADY'S	INTENTION
<b>SUNDAY 21st April</b> <i>4th Sunday of Easter</i> <i>Good Shepherd (Vocations) Sunday</i>	5pm: Vigil Mass	~	John Shannon RIP; Anne Sayce RIP
	11.15am Sung Mass	9.15am Sung Mass <i>With Children's Liturgy</i>	Matthew Godwin RIP  Kim Tan Ye RIP; Philip Morris RIP
Monday 22nd <i>Easter Feria</i>	No Mass	~	<b>9:30am Mass at St. Joseph's</b>
Tuesday 23rd <b>Solemnity of St. George,</b> <b>Martyr, Patron of England</b>	7pm Mass	~	Alberto Dimambro RIP; May Fitzpatrick RIP
Wednesday 24th <i>Opt. Mem. Of St. Adalbert, Bp., M</i>	~	10am Mass	Gerard Lucey RIP; Jack & Kitty Ryan RIP
Thursday 25th <i>Feast of St. Mark, Evangelist</i>	~	<b>11am Mass</b>	<b>Requiem: Daniel Donovan RIP</b>
Friday 26th <i>Easter Feria</i>	<b>11am Mass</b> 3pm Divine Mercy Devs.	~	<b>Requiem: Stephanie O'Sullivan RIP</b>
<b>Saturday 27th</b> <i>Easter Feria</i>	10am Mass	~	All who suffer through War & Conflict.
	5pm: Vigil Mass	~	Michael Maher RIP; Fr. Christopher Greaney RIP
<b>SUNDAY 28th</b> <i>5th Sunday of Easter</i>	11.15am Sung Mass	9.15am Sung Mass <i>With Children's Liturgy</i>	Jill Schweigert  Jacqueline Elson-Barton RIP; Antonio Costa RIP

**SUNDAY MASSES AT ST JOSEPH'S, WHITNASH: 10AM & 5:30PM.** Details on their website: [stjosephs47.org.uk](http://stjosephs47.org.uk)

**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 email [sg.ccolc.lillington@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.ccolc.lillington@rcaob.org.uk) ; **St Peter's** Theresa Goh or Susan Chan email [sg.stpeterapostle.leamington@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.stpeterapostle.leamington@rcaob.org.uk) **The Diocesan Safeguarding Team** can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 or at [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk) if you have any concern.

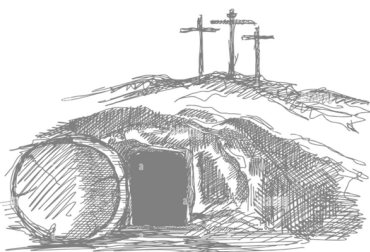
**Anniversaries of the faithful departed:** Rosa Venetico, Vincent Reilly, Peter D'Souza, Joseph Wright, Serafina Nigliazzo, Edward Burns, Judith Gregory, Donna Waters, James Lambe, Judith Endean, Kathleen Donovan, Molly Mulrone, Bernard Abbott, Mary Maguire, Kathleen Walsh, Mary Frawley, William Leahy, Mary Collins, Cornelius O'Mahony, Walerian Przniczka, Margaret Tew, John Quigley, Margaret Marum, Bp. McCartie, Fr. Hugh Griffith, Fr. Andrew Kenny, Fr. Oswald Joyce, Fr. Liam Bouchier, Fr. Benjamin Cox, Fr. Wilfrid Davenport, Fr. Desmond Donnelly, Fr. Peter Dennison, Dcn. Peter Seeney. **The recently deceased:** Lillian Smith, Cissie Power, Mary Duffy, Simon Rogers, Stephanie O'Sullivan, Daniel Donovan, Maria Parisi, Mary Wall, Mary McDermott, Josephine Hardy. **Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.**

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# Christ is Risen!

## *Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

**WELCOME TO MASS:** Christ is risen! Alleluia! Today is Good Shepherd Sunday, so named because of the title Jesus gives Himself in today's gospel. He, the perfect shepherd, calls all to follow Him. Across the Church today, we pray for those whom Christ has called to be priests, those who share in this 'shepherding' in the ordained ministry. The Easter season reminds us that the Good Shepherd, having laid down His life for the sheep, now calls us into the new life of the Resurrection.

God bless you all, Fr Stephen

**THE QR CODE FOR TODAY'S READINGS:** Simply scan on your smart phone. This works for every day.



**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 true unity among all Christians, as God wills. **Blessed be Jesus in the most Holy Sacrament of the Altar!**

**PASTIMES COMMUNITY HUB:** Tuesdays 12-3pm. A warm place with company, refreshments (including soup and rolls), and a variety of activities.

**Volunteering**—we need volunteers at Pastimes, please come along on Tuesday and speak with Margaret to find out what's involved.

**STUDY & REFLECTION ON SUNDAY'S MASS READINGS:** every Friday in the Davenport Room from 11 - 12 to look at the following Sunday's readings.

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

**CONFIRMATION PREPARATION (for children not at Catholic schools):** there will be a meeting for parents and young people on **Wed 24 April at 6pm at Our Lady's Church Hall**. If you would like your child to be prepared for this sacrament, it is important that you attend this meeting. please email Mary Rouse at: [maryrouse@rocketmail.com](mailto:maryrouse@rocketmail.com) for more info.

**MEN'S GROUP FOR CATHOLIC LEAMINGTON:** meets on **25 April, 7.45pm** at the Windmill, Tachbrook Road. Contact Fr Hartley to book a meal.

**YOUNG ADULTS GROUP:** Chips and chatter for young adults (18-35) at 7pm in the Davenport Room in Dormer Centre on Friday 26th April. New young adults are welcome.

**JUSTICE & PEACE GROUP:** Card signing for Prisoners of Conscience at Masses at St Peter's **27/28 April** and at Our Lady's **5 May** We have a few chosen by ACAT (Action by Christians against Torture) see the web site on <https://www.acatuk.org.uk> **Please stop and sign a card**. We do ask for donations to cover postage if possible. It really makes a difference to those imprisoned with little hope of justice.

**TRUE DEVOTION TO MARY:** A restarted group for the Warwickshire area. Please bring your rosary: Davenport Room St Peter's hall **Sat 27 April at 11am**. Contact: Peter Dimambro 01926 428399 [rcia.cathleam@gmail.com](mailto:rcia.cathleam@gmail.com)

**JUSTICE & PEACE PRAYER:** intention for **April** is: That the dignity of women be recognized, and discrimination end, in every culture and nation.

**UNDERSTANDING THE GIFT OF FERTILITY:** An introductory talk on FertilityCare on Mon 29 6:30pm, St Peter's hall. See [Unleashing the power of the woman's cycle Tickets, Mon, Apr 29, 2024 at 6:30 PM | Eventbrite](#)

**COME & PLAY:** will take place on a Tuesday between 9:30—11am in SP Hall. We welcome mothers and children. There will be no charge. If anyone would like to join the rota as a helper please contact—Clare Burdett on—07720 887 002. If anyone has toys to donate please bring them to Pastimes on a Tuesday or contact Clare Burdett on the number above.

**OUR LADY'S FUNDRAISER:** Liz, the pianist at Our Lady's, will be cycling 65 miles on her 65th birthday at the beginning of May, and asks for **sponsors** to support the **maintenance of Our Lady's** ahead of the 5-year architect inspection of buildings. Please ask her for an envelope designating your donation to this cause, and give a little extra in it to the next 2nd collection. Envelopes will also be in the church porches.

**KINDAID:** Tickets are now available for KINDAID's Spring Supper 6.30pm on **Sat 11 May**. Adults £10 children £5. Everyone welcome.

**PENTECOST PARTY: Sunday 19 May.** To welcome those who were received into the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil and to celebrate the birthday of the Church, a shared lunch from 1pm in St. Peter's parish centre. All parishioners invited. Please bring a plate of food for the shared table, savoury or sweet, if possible representing your country of origin. Further details from Margaret on 428399.

**MASS FOR THE SICK: Tues 18 June 11.30am St Joseph's**, then lunch.

**2024 IN OUR LADY'S & ST PETER'S:** By the end of the summer both parishes will have had their five yearly architect's inspection of their buildings. This will bring a list of work needing doing, graded according to urgency. The findings will have a real impact on parish finances. Both parishes have listed church buildings, St Peter's also has a large listed presbytery and a very large hall. Maintenance costs simply go up. There may be costly and therefore important decisions for us to consider by the year's end.

**FUNERAL MASSES** Might weekday regulars come to Funeral Masses to pray for the dead, support the mourners and be a welcoming presence, simply by being at Mass: your presence and prayer are all that's asked.

**SVP APPEAL:**—does anyone have a child's pushchair they no longer need? For age one plus. Please let David Burton know on 07713 246987

**SPAN:** Look at the April EXTRA to see SPAN's regular monthly beneficiaries. We also responded to four local appeals to help families as well as three overseas ones mentioned last week.

**YOUTH GROUP:** Ten people attended a meeting last week to progress youth work in Leamington and Warwick. **Thank you!** Watch this space!

**SERVERS AND SERVING:** **Thank you** to our servers at both churches. **We'd love a few more!** See Bob at St Peter's or Adrian at Our Lady's

**ST PETER'S HALL** *The hall is available to hire*. Please promote it—Email [hall.stpeterapostle.leamington@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:hall.stpeterapostle.leamington@rcaob.org.uk) to make enquiries.

**DONATING TO ST PETER'S:** *A new card machine is now at the back of St Peter's and it works!* You may also give online via the website OR by scanning this QR code on your smart phone, or by standing order, or in the collection.



**DONATING TO OUR LADY'S:** It is possible to donate to the parish via the Diocesan website (there is a red donate button towards the top right on every page), or click [here](#), or use the QR code or by standing order, or in the collection. **Thank you!** Each parish has **always** had its own bank account and continues to do so!



**LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTIONS: SP:** 1st Coll—£475.26, 2nd Coll.

(Maint.) - £325.73. OL: 1st Coll—£180.74, 2nd Coll. (Maint.) - £196.64. This weekend the second collections at St. Peter's & Our Lady's are for **The Clergy Training Fund**. Thank you for your generosity.

**MASS INTENTIONS:** Please be aware that the earliest availability for Sunday 11:15am Mass is 15 May onwards.

**7 DAY CANDLES at ST PETER'S:** This week, the **St. Joseph Sanctuary** candle burns for: **Peter Muddeman RIP** and the **Sacred Heart Sanctuary** candle burns for: **Sr. Frances O'Dwyer RIP**. If you'd like to have a Sanctuary candle lit for your intention please complete an envelope titled 7-day candles, at the back of Church together with your donation of £10.

**PARKING AT OUR LADY'S:** While the health centre is being constructed next to Our Lady's, **parking is very limited**. **Please park legally and without giving local residents any reason to complain**. **Thank you**.

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

#### ARRANGING A WEDDING

**Congratulations on your engagement!** To arrange a wedding, an initial meeting with Fr Stephen is vital so that the canonical and civil processes can be correctly followed. Couples need to give at least six months' notice.

#### 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.

#### INSTEAD OF THE HAIL MARY AT SUNDAY MASSES

#### OUR LADY'S EASTERTIDE ANTHEM

**R**EGINA COELI, laetare, alleluia! Quia quem meruisti portare, alleluia! Resurrexit, sicut dixit, alleluia! Ora pro nobis, Deum, alleluia!

(Translation: Rejoice, Queen of Heaven, for He whom you were fit to bear, has risen as He said. Pray for us! Alleluia!)

**Our prayers for the Sick:** Giovanni Allurlino, Marie Clare Banner, Edward Behan, Sarah Bonnalie, Pam Brambles, Portia Brightburn, Norman Byrne, Mario Fasi, Wilfrid Feely, Barbara Gekoski, Joe Graham, Eileen Hiorns, Sandra Hunt, Sheila Ireland, Mist Johnson, David Kendall, Una Maddocks, Nathaniel Manning, Deborah Meades, Kate Miles, Fina Monastero, Michael Mulcahy, Jo Murphy, Andrew Murray, Ahmed Musa, Paula Newton, Gill Parker, Fr. Malcolm Prince, Fr. Tony Rohan, Nell Smyth, Christine Tam, Terena Tam, Terry Tam, Elizabeth Weston, Peter Wright, Mary Yapp & all those at home, or in the nursing homes & hospitals of the Parish, or who receive Holy Communion at home. **Lord Jesus, watch over all who suffer and are in pain. Bless all those who care for them. Our Lady, help of the sick, pray for them.**