

CATHOLIC LEAMINGTON

Corpus Christi: Sunday 2nd June 2024

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DAY	AT ST PETER'S	AT OUR LADY'S	INTENTION
SUNDAY 2nd June 2024 <i>Corpus Christi</i>	4:15-45pm - Confessions 5pm: Vigil Mass	~	Katie, Michael & Joe Keane RIP
	11.15am Sung Mass	9.15am Sung Mass <i>No Children's Liturgy</i>	Danny Daly RIP; Michael Godwin RIP Mary Duffy RIP
Monday 3rd <i>Ss. Charles Lwanga & Comps, Martyrs</i>	~	~	9:30am Mass at St. Joseph's Whitnash
Tuesday 4th <i>Feria, Week 9 of Year 2</i>	10am Mass	~	B. J. O'Shea
Wednesday 5th <i>St. Boniface, Bp., Martyr</i>	~	10am Mass, with school	Dan Donovan RIP
Thursday 6th <i>Opt. Mem. of St. Norbert, Bp.</i>	10am Mass 4pm Reception	~	Carmel Fitzgerald RIP James Ward RIP
Friday 7th Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart	8.00am Mass at S.H. altar 11am Mass 3pm Divine Mercy Devs.	~	People of the parish Requiem: James Ward RIP
Saturday 8th <i>The Immaculate Heart of Mary</i>	9:15-45am - Confessions Exposition until 10am Mass 4:15-45pm - Confessions 5pm: Vigil Mass	~ ~	Rosabla Gonzalez RIP People of the Parish
SUNDAY 9th 10th Sunday in Ordinary Time	11.15am Sung Mass	9.15am Sung Mass <i>Children's Liturgy</i>	St. Theresa Mission, Kenya - Centenary Vincent Colli Caetano RIP; Patsy Mullan RIP

SUNDAY MASSES AT ST JOSEPH'S, WHITNASH: 10AM & 5:30PM. Details on their website: 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 ; **St Peter's** Theresa Goh or Susan Chan email sg.stpeterapostle.leamington@rcaob.org.uk **The Diocesan Safeguarding Team** can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 or at safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern. Please use the safeguarding emails for safeguarding matters **ONLY**.

Anniversaries of the faithful departed: Gerard Cullen, Michael O'Donoghue, Mary Harrison, Michael Godwin, Guistina Restituto, Christopher O'Sullivan, Joseph Hegarty, Robert Harkin, Mary Crawford, Bp. Dey, Mgr. Bernard Robinson, Cn Harry Bouchier, Fr. William O'Brien, Fr. John Lane, Fr. Benedict Tarbuck, Fr. John Crean, Fr. Peter Gallagher, Fr. John McIver, Fr. John P. Lane, Fr. Timothy Cronin, Dcn. Peter Phelan. **The recently deceased:** Sheila Ireland, Mary Shuker, Mary Dendek. **Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.**

Our prayers for the Sick: Giovanni Allurlino, Marie Clare Banner, Edward Behan, Sarah Bonnalie, Pam Brambles, Portia Brightburn, Norman Byrne, Anne Dibb, Mario Fasi, Wilfrid Feely, Barbara Gekoski, Joe Graham, Eileen Hiorns, Sandra Hunt, 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.**



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JUNE IS THE MONTH OF THE SACRED HEART

St Peter's, St Joseph's & Our Lady's Churches are all part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham. Reg. Charity No. 234216.

WELCOME TO MASS: We rejoice today in God's greatest gift, the Body and soul, Blood and divinity of Christ made present for us in the most Holy Sacrament of the Altar! There is *nothing* on earth remotely to be revered—let alone worshipped—as what we see and taste as bread but what our faith reveals as the Body of Christ Himself. Holy Scripture, the entire tradition of the Church and the saints bears witness to this. Jesus says 'This is My Body', but do we always remember to treat the Blessed Sacrament as a physical encounter with the divine? Not only that but this encounter is made possible by the loving sacrificial offering of Jesus Himself? Mass is *not* simply the last Supper, although it is obviously related to it, because it is on Calvary that Christ's Body was broken and given, His sacrifice made. The Last Supper points to the crucifixion which is made present to us at every Mass. The sacrifice of the Mass is the sacrifice of Christ, the Blessed Sacrament is the fruit of that sacrifice, Jesus broken and given. So as the centurion bore witness to Christ's divinity at the crucifixion, so we must bear witness to Christ's divinity revealed in the Blessed Sacrament. Alas, the many Christian groups today vary wildly in belief about the last Supper, the Crucifixion and their commemoration. Yet the Catholic faith in its altars, church buildings and tabernacle bears witness to the true depth of God's love. Let us, His people, not forget to bear witness to it too.

God bless you all, Fr Stephen

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



THIS SUNDAY: Corpus Christi, the feast of the Blessed Sacrament.

There will also be the **presentation of accounts for 2023** in summary form. This is a brief snapshot as these things are. What is clear is that, as has been said already but we all need to be aware of, that we can no longer carry on in the same old way. Both parishes face rising maintenance costs that are not met by—and perhaps can never be met by—weekly collections. We need to think seriously about how we use or redevelop our buildings.

There is no one to support our parishes if we, their priest and people, don't!

SPAN 50 ANNIVERSARY Tickets available after Mass. **This Friday!** See below

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

LATIN DANCE FIT FOR LADIES: NEW Dance base exercise class in the hall on Mondays 10am-10.45, for all ages and abilities, to book 07780543976.

COME & PLAY: Tuesdays 9:30—11am in SP Hall. We welcome mothers and children. No charge. To help please contact Clare Burdett—07720 887 002. If anyone has toys to donate please bring them to Pastimes on a Tuesday or contact Clare on the number above.

PASTIMES COMMUNITY HUB: Tuesdays 12-3pm. You are welcome at to join our lively and growing community for good company and interesting activities which now include chair based exercises led by an excellent trainer. Refreshments throughout and substantial rolls at lunchtime. Interested in volunteering in the kitchen? Come in and talk with Margaret!

STUDY & REFLECTION ON SUNDAY'S MASS READINGS: Fridays 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 of mercy come to implore mercy for the world and praise God for that mercy revealed to us by Jesus on the Cross, pierced for our sins.

SPAN: This Friday, celebrate **SPAN's 50 years**. Tickets for this social evening (incl ents and international food) are available at £ 10 (youth £ 5). Doors open 7pm with African drumming. More info from jenarmstrong@talktalk.net

QUIZ & BINGO NIGHT: Young parishioners Angus, Teagan, and Isaac will hold a family quiz and bingo night at Our Lady's Church Hall on Sat 15 June from 6:30pm as a fundraiser for their Warwickshire Scouts Trip to Belize this Summer. Tickets £5 adults, £1 children. warwickshirebelizeraffle@gmail.com

DEANERY VISITATION CLOSING VESPERS & REPORT: Thu 27 June, 7pm at **Immaculate Conception Church, Bicester** with Archbishop Bernard and the Episcopal Vicar, Canon Paul Fitzpatrick, to present the report. All welcome.

READERS AT MASS: There will be a meeting for you about the new lectionary translation and other aspects of the reader's ministry on **Weds 12 June, 7pm** in SP hall. We shall be looking at some of the new texts. This is **important for readers** but *anyone interested is welcome*. There will be a further session in the autumn once the new books for use in church have been published.

NEW TRANSLATION OF THE LECTIONARY: By Advent Sunday this year, all parishes must begin using the new translation of the readings at Mass. These are taken from the **English Standard Version, Catholic Edition** (ESV-CE). The new books are not yet available (the complete ESV-CE Bible is). If anyone would like to consider donating one of the four volumes we shall need for

each church, they cost £175 each. **Thank you.**

WARWICK HOSPITAL CATHOLIC CHAPLAINCY: Fr David Hartley has been appointed as the Catholic Chaplain for the hospital. Local priests provide support and emergency cover. If you are in hospital and wish to see a Catholic priest, please ask as patient confidentiality rules mean that priests will not be automatically told about you.

SPRING RAFFLE TICKETS: On sale after each Mass, and in the Piety Shop, £1 each, with a 1st Prize of £100 and lots of other prizes, all in aid of St Peter's Hall Maintenance, the draw is on **14 July**.

PARISH DIRECTORIES: There are only 5 Parish Directories left in the Piety Shop at St. Peter's. This will be the last printed edition: heading online.

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

YOUTH GROUP: Volunteer leaders from Catholic Leamington have now successfully completed their training course and a Yrs 6-9 group based at St Peter's Hall (to complement the Yr10+ group being established at St Mary Immaculate, Warwick) will be running in the autumn. The various compulsory health and safety and safeguarding checks are in hand. Watch this space.

7 DAY CANDLES at ST PETER'S: This week the **Our Lady Chapel** Candle burns: **In Thanksgiving**. 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.

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

DONATING TO ST PETER'S: A **card machine** is at the back of St Peter's. 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.



Please Gift Aid your donations so that the parish can reclaim from the tax man—it then becomes **worth 25% more at no cost to you**. See Jim Insley. There are forms at the back of church.

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. **Please Gift Aid your donations** so that the parish can reclaim from the tax man—it then becomes **worth 25% more at no cost to you**. See Jim Insley or Fr Stephen. There are forms at the back of church. **Thank you! Each parish has always had its own bank account and they still do!**



MASS INTENTIONS: Please be aware the **earliest 11:15am Mass** availability is **Sept 2024**, if you would like a Mass Intention said sooner, please consider SP Sat 5pm, OL Sunday 9:15am or during the week at SP. Thank you.

LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTIONS: SP: 1st Coll—£604.88, 2nd Coll. (Ch. Maint.) £289.00. OL: 1st Coll—£283.10, 2nd Coll. (Ch. Maint.) —£241.14. This weekend the second collections at both Churches are for **Church Maintenance**.

Thank you for your generosity.

ST PETER'S SPRING CLEAN: Anyone willing to help physically clear the space round the Church Hall please contact Roger on 07983 869 092.

VOLUNTEERS IN THE PARISHES: Thank you for returning forms. We are processing the replies and working through contacting you.

THE JUSTICE AND PEACE PRAYER INTENTION FOR JUNE: That governments receiving asylum seekers may treat them with compassion and respect.

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. Please give at least six months' notice.

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.

PLEASE PRAY FOR PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST

LORD 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.

Blessed be Jesus Christ in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar!