

St Peter's & Our Lady's: Part of Catholic Leamington

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Sunday 29th September



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DAY	AT ST PETER'S	AT OUR LADY'S	INTENTION
SUNDAY 29th September 2024 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time	4:15-45pm - Confession 5pm: Vigil Mass	~	Veronica Mary Houlton
	11.15am Sung Mass	9.15am Sung Mass <i>Children's Liturgy</i>	Hugh & Ellen O'Sullivan Solange Beckles RIP Anniversary
Monday 30th <i>Mem. of St. Jerome, Pr., Dr. of the Church</i>	~	~	9:30am Mass at St. Joseph's, Whitnash
Tuesday 1st October <i>Mem. of St. Therese of the Child Jesus, Virgin, Dr. of the Church</i>	9.30am Our Lady's & St T Sch 12 NOON Mass	~	OLST School In Thanksgiving
Wednesday 2nd <i>Mem. of the Holy Guardian Angels</i>	<i>St Peter's is closed today for electrical safety inspection</i>	11am Mass	Requiem: Ron Hall RIP
Thursday 3rd <i>Opt. Mem. of St. Thomas Cantilupe, Bp.</i>	<i>St Peter's is closed today for electrical safety inspection</i>	10am Mass	Patrick Boyle RIP
Friday 4th <i>Mem. of St. Francis of Assisi</i>	10am Mass 3pm Divine Mercy Devs.	~	Private Intention
Saturday 5th <i>Opt. Mem. of St. Faustina Kowalska, Virgin</i>	9-10am Exposition, 9.15-45 Confession, 10am Mass	~	Alan Anscomb RIP
	4:15-45pm - Confession 5pm: Vigil Mass	~	Bill Dunphy RIP
SUNDAY 6th October 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time	11.15am Sung Mass	9.15am Sung Mass <i>Children's Liturgy</i>	Anne Dibb RIP Patrick Keaney RIP

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 sg.ccolc.lillington@rcaob.org.uk ; **St Peter's** Theresa Goh or Susan Chan email sg.stpeterapostle.leamington@rcaob.org.uk
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Anniversaries of the faithful departed: Margaret Launchberry, James McGivern, Henry Willis, Margaret Bull, Sean Hogan, Beryl Hartnett, Salvatore Fragola, Rowan Fitzgerald, Kathleen Briddon, Josef Nowak, Catherine Fitzpatrick, Peter Scott, Donald Andrews, Hilda Jones, William Morey, Mary O'Connor, Margaret Hanratty, Rhiannon Alton, William Geaney, Bridget Hughes, Cn. Anthony Piercy, Fr. Edward Cotter, Fr. Laurence Daly, Fr. Denis Egan, Fr. William McGann, Fr. John Nightingale, Fr. John Danaher, Fr. John Bullen, Dcn. Tony Colby, Dcn. John Burrows. **The recently deceased:** Ron Hall & John Collins. **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: Bill, Giovanni Allurlino, Marie Clare Banner, Edward Behan, Sarah Bonnalie, Pam Brambles, Portia Brightburn, Norman Byrne, Mario Fasi, Wilfrid Feely, Sheila Freeman, Barbara Gekoski, Joe Graham, Eileen Hiorns, Sandra Hunt, Mist Johnson, David Kendall, John Kiernan, Peter McCarthy, Una Maddocks, Nathaniel Manning, Deborah Meades, Kate Miles, Fina Monastero, Michael Mulcahy, Jo Murphy, Andrew Murray, Ahmed Musa, Paula Newton, Gill Parker, George Pearson, Fr. Tony Rohan, Gilly Schweigert, Nell Smyth, Christine Tam, Terena Tam, Terry Tam, Elizabeth Weston, Uta Winter, 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.**



SEPTEMBER: MONTH OF OUR LADY'S SEVEN SORROWS

'And a sword shall pierce your own heart... Luke 2,35

O sorrowful Mother, pray for those in sorrow today.

WELCOME TO MASS: Especially visitors and those returning to study for the new academic year. If it weren't a Sunday, today would be the feast of the Archangels Michael, Gabriel and Raphael. They, and others, stand guard over the high altar at St Peter's, a reminder of how the citizens of heaven join in the worship of God at the great wedding feast of the lamb, Jesus sacrificed for us.

Today's readings point out that God's power may be set loose through unexpected people. Those chosen to help Moses were all given God's Spirit, even the two that were not in the right place at the right time. In the Gospel a man defeating evil through the Holy Name of Jesus is commended by Christ, whose followers wanted him to stop. Anyone whose faith in Jesus enables the Spirit to be at work is therefore to be commended. The man in the Gospel is not an 'official' part of the apostolic group, but his faith in the Gospel has enabled God's Spirit to work.

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 link takes you to *Universalis* who will be using the new translation from Advent.



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!*

ST PETER'S HALL: Regular parish events will be continuing but a review of outside use has been undertaken. In a nutshell the hall needs to be used much more efficiently by grouping events into the same three or four days a week and not using the hall at all on the other days. We are simply finding it impossible to hire out the hall anything like enough to cover its running costs. Continuing efforts are being made to create a more efficient heating system but we have no money to spend on improvements. In any case, the buildings review will provide ideas on the large scale that make spending now before recommendations arrive, a little premature. Our thanks are owed to the hall group who continue to work at reducing costs.

OUR LADY'S HEATING: There have been problems needing several days of an engineers work. Various faulty items have been traced and the final one is to be replaced at the end of next week. All should be well then...

AFTER MASS TEA & COFFEE: Our Lady's after 9.15am and St Peter's after 11:15am Mass. Tea & Coffee after Weds Mass at Our Lady's. *All Welcome.*

COME & PLAY: **Tuesdays 9:30—11am** in SP Hall. We welcome mothers and children, no charge. Contact Clare Burdett—07720 887 002. We'd be grateful for a dolls pram, little tyke car, pots, pans and tea set for the lovely play kitchen we have been given.

PASTIMES COMMUNITY HUB: **Tuesdays 12-3pm.** Join our lively community for good company and activities including a session of chair based exercises. Refreshments throughout. Volunteers for the kitchen? See Margaret.

THIS WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY: **St Peter's Church has to be closed** while the compulsory five-yearly electrical safety inspection is carried out. *Sorry for any inconvenience*, but to enable the work to be carried out as quickly and safely as possible the electricians need the building to themselves.

Mass on Thursday is therefore **at Our Lady's**

STUDY & REFLECTION ON SUNDAY'S MASS READINGS: Fridays in the Daventry Room 11 - 12 looking at the next Sunday's readings. *All welcome.*

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

LEAMINGTON & WARWICK CATHOLIC YOUTH GROUPS:

Years 9-13 at St Mary's, Warwick 1st Oct 7.30-9.00pm

Years 6-8 at St Peter's, Leamington 31st Oct 7.00pm-8.30pm

CAFOD HARVEST FASTDAY, FRI 4TH OCT. Donations will help projects in the Democratic Republic of Congo, helping young people develop skills in carpentry and tailoring, enabling them to earn a living. **CAFOD Soup and Roll lunch on Fri 25 Oct** St Peter's Hall, 12 - 1.30pm. *All welcome*

NATIONAL PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA: St.

Marie's, Rugby welcomes the National Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima, and relics of Ss Jacinta & Francisco Marto on **Sun 6th - Mon 7th Oct**, the Feast of our Lady of the Rosary. All are invited to join in this visitation, to pray the Rosary and hear the story of Fatima including the messages of Our Lady of Fatima. St. Marie's Church, Dunchurch Road, CV22 6AQ

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC? Or want to know more? Or wish

to be confirmed as an adult? Then **'Come & See'** is for you. Starts **9 Oct** in St Peter's hall. Email rcia.cathleam@gmail.com or phone Gareth on 07539 502436 to make contact and find out more.

'THE CHOSEN' DRAMA SERIES: Every Friday at 6pm in SP Hall from 11 Oct

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP: Mass on Friday 25 Oct, 6.30pm at St Peter's.

Those in the age group (18-35), *especially students*, are warmly invited to join us for this and afterwards for food - please sign up in St Peter's church narthex.

NEW READINGS TRANSLATION: For all readers and anyone interested:

Sat 26th Oct 11am SP. A session on the new translation of the lectionary. Please come: what you read will be changing and this is the chance to see the new books and try the new translation. If you can't attend, an online resource provided by Fr Allen Morris, a liturgist who works in the Archdiocese, is available—<https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/news/preparing-for-the-lectionary-refresher-programme-for-ministers-of-the-word> There are **ONLY EIGHT MORE SUNDAYS OF THE CURRENT TRANSLATION...**

NEW TRANSLATION MISSALS: Those who have reserved their copy will be contacted from 14 Oct onwards. As an alternative, the online resource 'Universalis' for a one off fee of £19.99 provides the text of Mass, the lectionary, the Breviary and devotional reading, on your phone, tablet or PC. 'Magnificat', the monthly prayer book will be using the new translation from Advent. It is marketed in the UK by the Catholic Herald in a British version. See <https://catholicherald.co.uk/magnificat/>

OUR LADY'S CHRISTMAS FAIR: Sat 9 Nov in the hall. Make a date now!

LEAMINGTON PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO WALSHINGHAM: Mon 18-Thu 21

Nov. Make a note. To book, please collect a booking form from Fr Stephen or from the presbytery and return with a £100 deposit (any cheques payable to 'St Peter's Church')—details soon. Final cost depends on transport arrangements which can't be made until we know how many are going.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION FOR CHILDREN NOT IN CATHOLIC SCHOOLS:

Preparation for this begins in the new year. There will be details of how to sign up and parents' meetings nearer the time. Watch this space...

SVP APPEAL: for any spare suitcases and travel bags for families moving house. Please let David know on 07713 246987.

THANK YOU to all who supported last week's meeting about Children's Liturgy and those who supported the new youth group too. Please pray for God's blessing on these parts of parish life.

7 DAY CANDLES: If you would like a Sanctuary candle lit for your intention please complete a 7-day candles envelope, at the back of Church. Suggested donation £10. Thank you.

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

SPAN: In this concerning time for the Middle East, We pray for the House of Light & Hope a community helping the disadvantaged in Beirut, Lebanon, supported by SPAN for many years.

LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTIONS: SP 1st — £488.58, 2nd (Fr. Hudson's)- £432.02, OL 1st—£213.33, 2nd (Fr. Hudson's) - £319.45. This weekend the 2ND collections are for **SP: Church Maintenance & OL: Church Roof Repair. Thank you .**

DONATING TO THE PARISHES

As well as the collection bags, the website, the card machine at St Peter's, via standing order, you may give by scanning the **code** at the top left on the first page of this sheet with **your smartphone. Thank you**

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.

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.**