

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

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time: Sunday 3rd November 2024



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DAY	AT ST PETER'S	AT OUR LADY'S	INTENTION
SUNDAY 3rd November 2024 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time	4:15-45pm - Confession 5pm: Vigil Mass	~	Monica McVeigh RIP
	11.15am Sung Mass	9.15am Sung Mass <i>No Children's Liturgy</i>	Madeleine Fredrick RIP; Barbara Evans RIP Peter Curran RIP; Alice Waterfield RIP
Monday 4th <i>Mem. of St. Charles Borromeo, Bp.</i>	~	~	9:30am Mass at St. Joseph's, Whitnash
Tuesday 5th <i>Feria</i>	~	~	9:30am Mass at St. Joseph's, Whitnash
Wednesday 6th <i>Feria</i>	1PM Funeral Mass in Polish	10am Mass	Brian Hughes RIP Alina Daszkiewicz RIP
Thursday 7th <i>Opt. Mem. of St, Willibrord, Bp.</i>	~	~	7pm Mass at St. Joseph's, Whitnash
Friday 8th <i>Opt. Mem. of Bld. George Napier, Pr. Martyr</i>	12 noon Mass 3pm Divine Mercy Devs.	~	Frank Cooper RIP; Christina O'Connell RIP
Saturday 9th Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica	9-10am Exposition, 9.15-45 Confession, 10am Mass 4:15-45pm - Confession 5pm: Vigil Mass	~ ~	Fr. Christopher Greaney RIP Birthday Anniversary Maria Alice & Antonio Spencer
SUNDAY 10th 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time <i>Remembrance Sunday</i>	11.30am Sung Requiem Mass	9.15am Sung Mass <i>Children's Liturgy</i>	John Mulheron RIP; Molly McDermott RIP Birthday Anniversary The Fallen

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

The Diocesan Safeguarding Team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 or at safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.

Anniversaries of the faithful departed: Catherine O'Driscoll, Jessie Hardie, Carole King, James Titmus, Rosalie Dwyer, Alice Waterfield, Marie De Luca, Peter Curran, Marcella Kehily, Roland O'Donnell, Nicola Frondella, Edward Waters, Dorothy Bates, Margaret McGreevy, Maria Mulchrone, Robin Harris, Kathleen McNally, Vladislava Stransinskas, Dona Plummer, Sheila Houghton, Francis Murphy, Anthony Willis, Archbishop Couve de Murville, Bp. John Barrett, Mgr. Bertram Gould, Cn. Denis Toplass, Cn. Patrick Smith, Cn. Eugene O'Sullivan, Cn. John Redford, Fr. Louis Moore, Fr. James Curtin, Fr. Aengus Donlon, Fr. John Bromfield, Fr. John Brisland, Fr. Ian Ker, Fr. Francis Dawson, Fr. Derek Edwards. **The recently deceased:** Frank Cooper, Rhianon Skye Whyte, Alina Daszkiewicz, & Christina O'Connell. **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, Stephen Robertson, Fr. Tony Rohan, John Sawyer, 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, who receive Holy Communion at home. **Lord Jesus, watch over all who suffer and are in pain. Bless all those who care for them.**

NOVEMBER: MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.



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.**

WELCOME TO MASS: A welcome especially to students and visitors. Please make yourself known to Fr Stephen.

One of the many ways we try to describe God is say that He is love. Certainly, God made us out of His love, and saves us out of His love by the sacrifice of His own Son on the cross. It is in His nature to want everyone to be saved and nobody to be condemned, and human beings can make that truly happen if they live as God calls us to. And what does living that call consist of? Love, purely and simply. Everything can be summed up and fulfilled by loving God and loving our neighbour. A love that takes all our heart, mind, soul and strength. The love God has for us is summed up by Jesus on the Cross, loving us with all His heart, mind, soul and strength even unto death. God calls us to be like Him. It is in being like God, in being loving in other words, that we fulfil our own destiny. One of the practical expressions of God's love is of course His mercy, which we are called to imitate too. In the Old Testament, God promises a long life and prosperity to those who keep His commandments. In Jesus, He promises eternal life to all those who follow Him on the path of love. *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.



VISITING PRIESTS: Thanks are due to Fr David Hartley (of Whitnash) for saying the 5pm Mass, and to Fr Craig Szmidt (Diocesan Vocations Director) for saying the Masses at 9.15am and 11.15am. Both have been before.

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!*

SECOND COLLECTION: Is for the **Johnson Fund** which is a charity that supports retired, sick and infirm priests. Thank you for your support.

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: Tues 9:30—11am in SP Hall. We welcome mums, dads, and children, no charge. Contact Clare Burdett—07720 887 002. We would like to thank those who have given gifts of lovely toys that are enjoyed by the children, and for the very generous gift of money that has enabled us to buy Play Mats for the babies.

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.

STUDY & REFLECTION ON SUNDAY'S MASS READINGS: Fridays in the Davenport 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!

HOLY SOULS ENVELOPES: The envelopes for the lists of Holy Souls to be prayed for in November, their month, are available at the back of church.

OUR LADY'S CHRISTMAS FAIR: - 9 Nov 12 till 2pm We still need donations for stalls, please. We will also need cakes for the cake stall. The hall will be open on Thurs 7 and Fri 8 Nov from 2pm until 7pm if you want to drop in donations. If anyone can help with setting up on Thurs afternoon, or evening, please contact Mary Rouse or Gill Parker. Mary.rouse@rocketmail.com

NEXT SUNDAY MORNING MASS AT ST PETER'S is at 11.30pm, 15 minutes later, to allow for the act of remembrance in town.

SPAN: Next open meeting **Monday 11 Nov 7.30** in SP's Davenport Room.

HAND IN HAND RETREAT Sat 16 Nov 2-4pm for people with intellectual disabilities, their family, friends and parishioners. All welcome! **At St Joseph's church hall.** Contact Mary 01926 420045 or Julia on 01926 735275.

BLESSING OF GRAVES AT LEAMINGTON CEMETERY: Sun 17 Nov 2.30pm

BILL OF THE MONTH: The cost of the extensive repairs to Our Lady's boiler came to £4,250. An example of the rising costs we face.

ASSISTED SUICIDE BILL: We must bear witness to love and to life once more. No one is excluded from God's love and no-one should be killed as 'health care'. From the unborn to the dying, we have no right to decide who should live and who should die. Christians of many sorts are united in opposing the misguided proposed legislation—our own bishops and the Anglican Archbishop of Canterbury among them. The Catholic Bishops'

website has resources so that we may be informed about the assisted suicide legislation that is currently working its way through Parliament. See: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/opposing-assisted-suicide/> :lobby your MP.

There will be a **Holy Hour of Exposition to pray for the protection of all human life** in St Peter's on **Sunday 24 Nov 3pm**, the Sunday before the Assisted Suicide Bill's second reading.

CHRISTMAS FAIR AT ST PETER'S: Parish Hall Sat 30 Nov at 1pm

JUSTICE & PEACE NOV PRAYER INTENTION: for protection and support of all aid workers, medical volunteers and reporters working in war zones.

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...

CHILDREN'S LITURGY AT ST PETER'S. Plans are now in hand to have a children's liturgy at St Peter's as well as Our Lady's. Please speak to Anna-Marie Foley or Fr Stephen or email the parish is you'd like to help.

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.

LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTIONS: SP 1st - £714.26, 2nd (Ch. Maint.)- £371.14, OL 1st—£214.98, 2nd (Ch. Roof) - £224.99. This weekend the 2nd collections at both churches is for **The Johnson Association. Thank you** .

SP 200 CLUB: November draw last Tuesday at Pastimes: 1st Prize (£50) - J. Dobson, 2nd Prize (£20) - M. Holden, & 3rd Prize (£10) - J. Lampitt. Congratulations to the winners. If you'd like to join the 200 club please speak to Bill at Pastimes on Tuesdays or after 11:15am Mass on Sundays.

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.

SYNOD ON SYNODALITY The Synod on how we should Move or Walk Together with the Holy Spirit has lasted 3 years. A Final Document has been published in Italian, but the official English version will come. View the report in unofficial translation on www.catholicleamington.org.uk/synod

PERSECUTION OF CHRISTIANS WORLDWIDE: Aid to the Church in Need, ACN, an international Catholic Charity, exists to support the Church wherever Christians suffer. Increasingly that suffering is due to persecution. 61 nations currently tolerate serious violations of religious freedom. See <https://acnuk.org/news/uk-join-acns-call-for-more-uk-foreign-aid-to-religious-minorities/> to support ACN's call on the government to include support for persecuted Christians in its foreign aid programme. ACN is a wonderful charity at work in some of the most difficult places on earth, including the Holy Land. Do visit the website.

NEW TRANSLATION MISSALS: if you ordered a copy, please collect and pay (£20) for your missal as soon as possible from the piety shops of Our Lady's or St Peter's, wherever you placed your order.

As alternatives, the online resource '*Universalis*' provides the text of Mass, the lectionary, the Breviary and devotional reading, on your phone, tablet or PC for a one off fee of just £19.99 (or £9.99 if phone only) '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 fully British version. See <https://catholicherald.co.uk/magnificat/>

CATHOLICS IN HOSPITAL: Fr David Hartley, parish priest of Whitnash is the Catholic Chaplain at Warwick Hospital. He regularly visits the wards. The local priests all provide emergency cover. If you or a family member wish to see a priest while in the hospital, please tell a staff member or contact the Chaplaincy directly.

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 friends or other members of the family, but face to face. Parents need to attend a preparation session before the baptism can take place.

PLEASE TAKE THIS SHEET HOME, OR GIVE IT TO ABSENT PARISHIONERS, OR RETURN IT TO THE BACK OF CHURCH FOR OTHERS TO SEE TOO. Information and evangelisation... Thanks.