

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

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time: Sunday 26th January 2025: Holy Year of Jubilee



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DAY	AT ST PETER'S	AT OUR LADY'S	INTENTION
<i>Sunday of the Word of God</i>	4:15-45pm - Confession 5pm: Vigil Mass	~	McVeigh Family
SUNDAY 26th January <i>3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	11.15am Sung Mass	9.15am Sung Mass <i>Children's Liturgy</i>	Joan Powell RIP Andrea La Barbera RIP
Monday 27th <i>Opt. Mem. of Bl Edward Oldcorne, Pr., M</i> <i>Holocaust Memorial Day</i>	~	~	10am Mass at St. Joseph's, Whitnash.
Tuesday 28th <i>Mem. of St. Thomas Aquinas, Pr., Dr. of the Church</i>	10am Mass	~	Ahmed Musa's Recovery
Wednesday 29th <i>Feria</i>	~	10am Mass	Seamus Dunne RIP
Thursday 30th <i>Feria</i>	11am Mass	~	<i>Requiem: Bridget Linnane RIP</i>
Friday 31st <i>Mem. of St. John Bosco, Pr.</i>	9.30am Mass St Anthony's Noon Mass 3pm Divine Mercy Devs.	~	Private Intention Sandra Hunt RIP; Holy Souls
Saturday 1st February <i>Opt. Mem. of Our Lady</i>	9-10am Exposition, 9.15-45 Confession, 10am Mass 4:15-45pm - Confession 5pm: Vigil Mass	~ ~	Barbara O'Rourke RIP Tony Sullivan RIP
SUNDAY 2nd February <i>Feast of the Presentation of the Lord</i>	11.15am Sung Mass	9.15am Sung Mass <i>Children's Liturgy</i>	Ann O'Donnell RIP Ahmed Musa's Recovery

Anniversaries of the faithful departed: Martha Henn, Margaret Hawthorne, John Moroney, Mary Richardson, Margaret Bennett, John Lucey, John O'Kelly, Anthony O'Mahoney, Giuseppe Arena, Anthony Sullivan, Concepcion Bao, Bridget Hayes, Mgr. Michael Williams, Cn. Giles Goward, Cn. Kevin Good, Fr. Charles Smith, Fr. Mortimer Loftus, Fr. John Berry, Fr. David Condron, Fr. Denis Clancy, Dcn. Michael Ainsworth. **The recently deceased:** Anne Purfield, Peter Cronin, Sandra Hunt, Fr. Fred Sheldon, Dcn. Paul Hender, Bridget Linnane, Fr. Brian Boyle SCJ. **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, Norman Byrne, Mario Fasi, Wilfrid Feely, Sheila Freeman, Barbara Gekoski, Joe Graham, Eileen Hiorns, Mist Johnson, David Kendall, John Kiernan, Peter McCarthy, Una Maddocks, Nathaniel Manning, Deborah Meades, Kate Miles, Nora Miller, Fina Monastero, Michael Mulcahy, Andrew Murray, Ahmed Musa, Paula Newton, Gill Parker, George Pearson, Fr. Tony Rohan, John Sawyer, Gilly Schweigert, Nell Smyth, Christine Tam, Terena Tam, Terry Tam, Elizabeth Weston, Uta Winter, Peter Wright, & 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.**



SCAN TO SEE THE
MASS READINGS

TEA & COFFEE

After Sunday
Morning Masses in the
hall
All Welcome!



Online news [here](#)

MORE SERVERS

ALWAYS WELCOME

Young or old—see Fr Stephen, or Bob at St Peter's, or Adrian at Our Lady's

FACE BOOK PAGES

CATHOLIC LEAMINGTON is [here](#)

OUR LADY'S is [here](#)

Links from website too

JANUARY—MONTH OF THE HOLY NAME OF JESUS

There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved. *Acts 4:12*

WELCOME TO MASS, especially any visitors joining us to worship. This Sunday, the Sunday of the Word of God, we are called to reflect on God's gift of Holy Scripture. The joy of the people in hearing God's law proclaimed to them in the first reading is paralleled by the reaction to Jesus proclaiming the prophecy of Isaiah in the synagogue. To have God speak to us should be a cause of joy and enthusiasm. And as the letter to the Hebrews puts it, 'in these last days He has spoken to us by His Son', for Jesus is the Word made flesh. Twice blessed were the people in the synagogue who heard not only God's word, but the Word made flesh reading it!

On Sunday morning, Bishop Richard Walker, the bishop for Oxfordshire, Warwickshire, and Coventry, visits Our Lady's to celebrate Mass. This is his first visit as area Bishop to our parishes: he has been present in his previous role as Vicar General. At St Peter's, he will again celebrate Mass but also affirm Paul Milton, preparing for ordination as a Deacon, by formally admitting him to the ministries of Acolyte and Lector. This is a preparatory step before ordination later this year. Please pray for Paul and his family. Part of the deacon's liturgical ministry is to proclaim the gospel at Mass. There will be two deacons involved with Paul's formation present at the Mass: Dcn Leo Poole, director of the permanent diaconate in the diocese, and Dcn Pete Middleton, in charge of formation.

A deacon's ministry is one of charity and the Word. In practical terms, he may baptise, celebrate funeral services and wedding services. He is an ordinary minister of the Eucharist, ordained to help distribute the Blessed Sacrament in church and to the sick. He is expected to have a care for the poor and the needy—as did the original deacons, ordained in the Book of the Acts of the Apostles. Among the great deacons of the Church stand St. Stephen, St. Lawrence and St. Francis of Assisi.

If you can, please have a cup of tea and cake after the 11.15am Mass to congratulate Paul and to say hello to Bishop Richard. **He is happy to talk to any parishioner about anything to do with the parishes.**

God bless us all, Fr Stephen

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!**

SOUND & MICROPHONES AT ST PETER'S: We are aware of recently developing issues with the sound system. An engineer has been asked to investigate. Sorry for the problems.

HEATING AT OUR LADY'S We are still awaiting the replacement parts for the heaters.

COME & PLAY: Tues 9:30—11am in SP Hall. We welcome parents and children, no charge. Contact Clare Burdett—07720 887 002.

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.

ON-LINE PRAYER GROUP - Catholic Leamington We meet virtually by Zoom on **Tuesdays 7.30 to 8.30pm**. We include reading, reflecting and sharing on the following Sunday's gospel. If you would like to join us, you will be most welcome. Contact Margaret or Peter 01926 428399 or: -mandpdimambro@gmail.com

STUDY & REFLECTION ON MASS READINGS: every Friday 11am in the Davenport Room.

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

St Peter's & Our Lady's Churches, working with St Joseph's Church as Catholic Leamington, are all part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham. Reg. Charity No. 234216.

YOUTH GROUP—SPARK Yrs6,7 & 8 Next meet this **Thu 30 Jan 7pm**

SYNOD / WALKING TOGETHER COMBINED ACTION GROUPS: are meeting on Thursday 30 Jan at 7.30pm at Our Lady's Church Hall.

See www.catholicleamington.org.uk/synod for WT information.

NEXT SUNDAY: The Feast of the Presentation. This feast is kept on 2 Feb even when it falls on a Sunday. All Masses begin with everyone holding a lighted candle, and a procession of the servers and priest to the altar. We commemorate Jesus as 'the light to enlighten the gentiles' acclaimed by Simeon and Anna at His presentation in the Temple by Mary and Joseph. Your Sunday Missal, Magnificat book or Universalis online have details.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY BEGINNING AT ST PETER'S: This will start on Sun 9 March, first Sunday of Lent. Details soon.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES: Sat 24—Fri 30 May. Details on the diocesan website [here](#)

DEVOTION TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS: A new leaflet summarising devotion to the Sacred of Heart of Jesus has now been produced. These are available in the leaflet stand on your way into St Peter's church next to the Fatima leaflet stand.

COULD YOU BE A SERVER?: Thank you to our servers at both churches. **We'd love a few more!** Old or young, male or female there is an opportunity for you to bring added dignity and reverence to our worship, and to learn a little more about what happens and why at the altar. See Bob at St Peter's or Adrian at Our Lady's.

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP: If you're within the age group (18-35 years) and would like to join or continue the group (we have a group chat) do get in contact with Rose on 07484 127253.

LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTIONS: SP 1st – £568.34, 2nd (Church Maintenance) - £243.58, OL 1st—£239.99, 2nd (Church Roof Repairs) - £252.60. This weekend the Second collection is for **SP:**

Church Maintenance and **OL: Church Roof Repairs. Thank you.**

ARCHDIOCESE'S FINANCIAL REPORT: It is possible to view the financial report of the Archdiocese, which contains a lot of information beyond simply figures, by visiting the diocesan website.

SP 200 CLUB: Subscriptions for 2025 are now due, please see Bill after the 11:15am Mass on Sundays or at Pastimes on Tuesdays.

SPAN – Supporting People Across the Nations: Save the date of our Quiz Night on Friday 28th February, raising funds for New Chapters, helping locally to fight addiction.

7 DAY CANDLES: Envelopes for these at the back of church.

TRINITY ROMAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL is seeking Foundation Governors. The role of School governor is both extremely important and very rewarding. Foundation Governors, appointed by the diocese, must be **practising** Catholics. If you are interested in taking on the role of governor or would like further information please email dsmith@gov.magnificat.org.uk

CATHOLIC LEAMINGTON FACE BOOK PAGE Direct link [HERE](#)

DONATING TO THE PARISHES

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

ARRANGING A WEDDING

Congratulations on your engagement! To arrange a wedding, a meeting with Fr Stephen is vital so that the canonical and civil processes can be followed. At least six months' notice is needed.

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 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.