

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

## 5th SUNDAY of LENT Year C: Sunday 6th April 2025: Holy Year



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DAY	AT ST PETER'S	AT OUR LADY'S	INTENTION
<b>SUNDAY 6th April 2025</b> <b>5th Sunday of Lent</b>	4:15-45pm - Confession <b>5pm: Vigil Mass</b>	~	SPAN Donors
	<b>11.15am Sung Mass</b> <i>Children's Liturgy</i>	<b>9.15am Sung Mass</b> <i>Children's Liturgy</i>	David & Liz Larard RIP; Ray Murphy RIP Michael & Siobhan Hannan RIP; Dermot Collins RIP
Monday 7th <i>Opt. Mem. of St. Joh Baptist de la Salle, Pr.</i>	10.30am J&P Stations of the Cross	~	<b>9:30am Mass at St. Joseph's, Whitnash</b>
Tuesday 8th <i>Lent Feria</i>	10am Mass  <i>5pm Reception</i>		Simon Rogers RIP 1st Anv.; Intentions of the Cave Family <i>Margaret Cunningham RIP</i>
Wednesday 9th <i>Lent Feria</i>	<b>1pm Funeral Mass</b>	10am Mass	Rev. Fr. Christopher Greaney RIP <i>Requiem: Margaret Cunningham RIP</i>
Thursday 10th <i>Lent Feria</i>	10am Mass <b>1pm Service</b>	~	Mary Duffy RIP <i>Funeral: Jean Saville RIP</i>
Friday 11th <i>Opt. Com. of St. Stanislaus, Bp., Martyr</i>	7.00am Mass 10.00am Mass with SP Sch 3pm Divine Mercy Devs.	~	John & Rita May RIP Frank Garvey RIP
Saturday 12th <i>Lent Feria</i>	9.00am Exposition 9.15-45 Confession 10am Mass	~	Peter Sprawson RIP
	4:15-45pm - Confession <b>5pm: Vigil Mass</b>	~	John Shannon
<b>SUNDAY 13th</b> <b>Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord</b>	<b>11.15am Sung Mass</b> <i>Children's Liturgy</i>	<b>9.15am Sung Mass</b> <i>Children's Liturgy</i>	Kathleen Shanahan RIP; Edmund Noblett RIP Emmanuel Toutoungi RIP Anv.; Anastasia (Cissy) Power RIP 1st Anv.

**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 **These emails are for safeguarding matters only**

**Anniversaries of the faithful departed:** Anthony McAndrew, Dermot Collins, Siobhan Hannan, Gemma Waddell, Joseph McGrath, Avis Charman, Eileen Lawless, Ernesta Guerrini, Francis Malaghan, Madeline Reading, Peter Sprawson, Mary Duffy, Francis Garvey, Anastasia Power, Christina Kavanagh, Concetta Frondella, John Herlihy, Bishop Emery, Cn. Peter Jones, Fr. Patrick Emmanuel, Fr. Michael Glynn, Fr. Timothy Burke, Fr. Kevin Preston, Fr. Eamon Clarke, Fr. Kenneth Collins, Fr. Joseph Barr, Fr. Michael McManus, Dcn. Jack Foxall. **The recently deceased:** Teresa Carlos, Margaret Cunningham, Jean Saville, Evelyn Stephens, Bridget Freeman, George Pearson, Ahmed Musa. **Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.**



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



## LENT 5—PASSIONTIDE BEGINS

*Strength and protection may Thy Passion be, O blessed Jesus, hear and answer me;  
Deep in Thy wounds Lord, hide and shelter me, so shall I never, never part from Thee.*



**WELCOME TO MASS**, especially any visitors joining us to worship, today as we make our journey through Lent, seeking God's love and mercy, full of hope.

This Sunday Lent takes on a more solemn tone as the forthcoming suffering and death of Jesus draws near. The veiling in churches hides what is beautiful and the next image we shall be confronted with is the Cross of Christ on Good Friday, the price of our forgiveness and salvation.

Today's Gospel is one of salvation. The woman is rescued from execution, but not because she is innocent. No, her sin is all too apparent but Christ offers her a fresh start. He will not condemn her but that fresh start means 'from now on, sin no more'. The Cross does not ignore our sin: it is the price of our having it forgiven.

**God bless us all this hopeful spring that is Lent** *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!**

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY AT ST PETER'S:** St Peter's Children's Liturgy group invite all children up to year 3, to join in the **NEW** age appropriate Liturgy of the Word during Term Time. Register via the QR code on posters in the porch. Pre-school children must be accompanied.

**PRAYING FOR ST PETER'S PARISH:** As we shall have some big decisions to consider, it is necessary that we pray that the Holy Spirit will guide us in all that we have to do. On Sunday at 10:45am an offering of the Rosary for this intention takes place.

**BUILDING WORK AT OUR LADY'S:** The steps and retaining wall outside the kitchen are now safe and sound once more.

**LENT STATIONS OF THE CROSS Mondays 10.30am St Peter's**, using the Jesuit refugee Centre resources. **Our Lady's**, after weekday Mass **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.** A warm welcome awaits you at this lively weekly gathering in St. Peter's Hall.

**LENT STUDY GROUP: Getting more out of the Mass** for allcomers, informative with a time for questions and discussion St. Joseph's Parish Hall, Murcott Road East, Whitnash. **Thursdays 7:30pm after the 7pm Mass.** [liz.mottram@ntlworld.com](mailto:liz.mottram@ntlworld.com) for info Final one this week

**LENT FRIDAY MASSES AT ST PETER'S** There is a **7am Mass** throughout Lent as an extra opportunity for worship.: final one this week **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!

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR STATUE CLEANING AT ST PETER'S: Saturday 12 April** at 1pm. Support as to how to preserve the fabrics whilst cleaning will be given on the day. More information on April newsletter 'Extra'.

**CONCERT AT ST PETER'S: Sunday 6 April 4.30pm** Warwickshire *Singers* joined by a French choir *La Villanelle de Sceaux*, featuring Dubois' Messe de Breve and more. Proceeds to parish funds.

**FAITHS TRAIL: Warwick District Faith Forum** visits a Jain Temple, Leicester Sat 26 April. Free of Charge, a coach will leave from the Church of Latter Day Saint's Carpark at 9am. More info see the poster

in the porch or contact Anne Elson.

**DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES: Sat 24—Fri 30 May.** Details on diocesan website [here](https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/) <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/>

**ORDINATION TO THE DIACONATE:** Paul Milton will be ordained on **Sunday 13 July**, 3pm at St Chad's Cathedral. Please pray for him.

**CONFIRMATION PREPARATION:** for children not in Catholic schools will begin soon after Easter. Please email [maryrouse@rocketmail.com](mailto:maryrouse@rocketmail.com) or notify the Parish Office via email to enrol your child.

**LEAMINGTON HERITAGE OPEN DAY: 21 Sept.** Volunteers have come forward for St Peter's—*thank you!*

**FUN FUNDRAISER AT OUR LADY'S:** Niall and Rose invite you to guess the name of their soon to be born child.

**HALL & PRESBYTERY AT ST PETER'S:** Three property consultants have been approached about the future of the presbytery with ideas centring round a sale to release a large sum for a different, affordable presbytery. Detailed suggestions for our consideration are not yet finalised. Consideration has to be given also to a vision for the hall complex as we simply cannot afford to keep the current one going indefinitely. The size and unused sections contribute to its large annual loss. Much hard work has gone in to marketing it, but the fundamental issues of the building remain, and cannot be overcome without spending enormous amounts which we can't possibly do. Whether the current building is truly the one we *need*, is the question.

**COULD YOU BE A SERVER?:** *Thank you* to our servers at both churches. *We'd love more!* See Bob at St Peter's or Adrian at Our Lady's.

**HELP WITH FUNERALS:** If you could be a **funeral welcomer**—mainly handing out service cards, helping people find the loo and generally greeting those who come, we'd be very grateful. Please speak to Fr Stephen. *It is also good* to have parishioners *simply come to funerals* to pray and be a supportive presence. **THANK YOU** to those who have **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 – £576.47, 2nd (Ch. Maintenance) - £290.46. OL 1st—£198.64, 2nd (Ch. Roof Repairs) - £210.87. This weekend the Second collection at SP is for **Church Maintenance** and at OL for **Church Roof Repairs**. *Thank you.*

**SPAN:** Lenten Almsgiving - The Gold coloured Gift Aid envelopes are available to support some local Primary School families and then people in the Holy Land: Friends of the Holy Land in Gaza and House of Light and Hope in Beirut. See Posters in church.

**7 DAY CANDLES:** The **Main Sanctuary** Candles burn: **In Memory of Emmanuel Toutoungi RIP Anniversary.** The **Our Lady Sanctuary** candle burns until End of April: **In Memory of Simon Rogers RIP.** Envelopes at back of church. Please post through the Presbytery letterbox or in the collection at Mass. 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.

**Our prayers for the Sick:** HH Pope Francis, Bill, Giovanni Allurlino, Marie Clare Banner, Edward Behan, Sarah Bonnalie, Pam Brambles, Silvia Brookes, Lee Burbury, Norman Byrne, Mario Fasi, Wilfrid Feely, Sheila Freeman, Barbara Gekoski, Joe Graham, Eileen Hiorns, Mist Johnson, David Kendall, John Kiernan, Peter McCarthy, Alfreda McHale, Una Maddocks, Nathaniel Manning, Deborah Meades, Kate Miles, Fina Monastero, Michael Mulcahy, Andrew Murray, Paula Newton, Marcella Nicholls, Gill Parker, Jane Parker, 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.*