

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

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C: Sunday 24th August 2025: Holy Year



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DAY	AT ST PETER'S CV32 5AA	AT OUR LADY'S CV32 7SJ	INTENTION
<b>SUNDAY 24th</b> <b>21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME.</b>	Confession 4.15-4.45pm <b>5pm: Vigil Mass</b>	~	Ted Cunningham <i>RIP anniv.</i>
	<b>11.15am Sung Mass</b>	<b>9.15am Sung Mass</b>	Mr. M. E. Connolly <i>RIP</i> ; Margaret Doome <i>RIP</i> Abrao Aleixo Sarmento
Monday 25th <i>Opt. Mem. St Louis</i>	~	~	<b>9:30am Mass at St. Joseph's, Whitnash</b>
Tuesday 26th <b>Feast Bl. Dominic Barberi of the Mother of God, Priest</b>	<b>9am Mass</b>	~	Anne Fitzpatrick <i>RIP anniv.</i>
Wednesday 27th <i>Mem. St Monica</i>	~	10am Mass	Mariam Joseph <i>RIP 1st anniv.</i>
Thursday 28th <i>Mem. St Augustine, Bishop, Doctor.</i>	10am Mass	~	Diane Convey <i>RIP</i>
Friday 29th <i>The Beheading of St John the Baptist</i>	10am Mass 3pm Divine Mercy Dev.	~	Maria de Gloria Souza Lopez <i>RIP</i>
Saturday 30th <i>Opt. Mem. Ss Margaret Clitherow, Anne Line, and Margaret Ward, Martyrs</i>	9am Holy Hour Confession 9:15-9:45am 10am Mass	~	Rev. Fr. Tony Rohan <i>RIP</i>
	Confession 4.15-4.45pm <b>5pm: Vigil Mass</b>	~	Patrick McHale <i>RIP anniv</i> ; Mary McGivern <i>RIP</i> ; Lily Lucey <i>RIP</i>
<b>SUNDAY 31st</b> <b>22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME.</b>	<b>11.15am Sung Mass</b>	<b>9.15am Sung Mass</b>	David Ayres <i>RIP</i> ; Private Intention  Pro Populo

**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](mailto:sg.ccolc.lillington@rcaob.org.uk) ; **St Peter's** Theresa Goh or Susan Chan email [sg.stpeterapostle.leamington@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.stpeterapostle.leamington@rcaob.org.uk) **These emails are for safeguarding matters only.**

**Anniversaries of the faithful departed:** Charles Jeffrey, Seamus Caden, William Cleary, Martina Stenson, Nicholas Duffy, Annette Hancox, Mary McGivern, Margaret Nally, Mary Herlihy, Vincenzo Scinaldi, Winifred Jennings, Eileen Long, Nuala Scarisbrick, Una Forde, Mgr. Richard Foster, Mgr. Cn. Laurence Emery, Cn. Laurence Hogarty, Cn. Joseph Nightingale, Rev. Fr. Alan Smith, Rev. Fr. Patrick Branagan, Rev. Fr. Francis Rowe, Rev. Fr. James Downey, Rev. Fr. Isaac Savin, Rev. Fr. Francis Toole, Rev. Fr. Brendan O'Malley.

**The recently deceased:** Josephine Mander, Alison Young, Rev. Fr Paul Johnson, Lily Lucey, Mary Hastings, Denis Meade, Noel Mincher, Dcn. Adrian Davies, Maureen Behan, Agnes Pauling, Rev. Fr. Anthony "Tony" Rohan.

***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  
church halls  
*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

## FACEBOOK PAGES

CATHOLIC LEAMINGTON is [here](#)

OUR LADY'S is [here](#)

Links from website too



## AUGUST IS THE MONTH OF

## THE ASSUMPTION OF OUR BLESSED LADY

*'It was fitting that she, who had kept her virginity intact in childbirth, should keep her own body free from all corruption even after death.'* Pope Pius XII



**WELCOME TO MASS:** Through the prophet Isaiah, God reveals that He calls 'all nations and tongues' and they will come to His holy mountain in Jerusalem. Some might even become priests and hold particular office in the Holy People of God. The relationship that He has established with the Israelites is to be extended that all may know the Lord and see His glory. So, in turn, Christ's call and His teaching is addressed to all people—His mission is far from narrow but to include all. So when He talks of the narrow door, we might feel that He's being exclusive all of a sudden. But He calls us to make a choice. For those who live under marriage vows, choice is over but that is of course a positive thing for a serious commitment of love has been made. Religious narrowmindedness is really not the western world's current problem but the opposite, that more or less anything goes. When our choice is Christ, we exclude a whole range of other choices. The Master of the House who won't open the door is not a picture of a grumpy old God but more a description of those who want all the benefits of Christianity without making any real commitment, who would choose Christ but also want what that choice must exclude. The great and inclusive joy of all those who throw themselves whole heartedly into a relationship with Jesus can only be known, it seems, by those who actually do it.

**God bless, 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!**

**SUMMER HOLIDAYS:** May all parishioners who have been or are going away travel safely and return refreshed from happy holidays.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY IN BOTH PARISHES:** Restarts after the holidays.

**HOLY ROSARY DEVOTION:** Sunday 8:45am at Our Lady's and 10:45am at St Peter's for discerning the renewed future of the parishes.

**DIOCESAN NOVENA TO BLESSED DOMINIC BARBERI:** This concludes on Tuesday, the Feast of Blessed Dominic Barberi. It was Bl Dominic who received St John Henry Newman into the Church, as well as many others less well known, in his tireless work for souls. It ends on his feast day, Tues 26 August.

**GOD**, who so lovingly raised Blessed Dominic to the heights of holiness, learning and apostolic zeal and made him a powerful minister of your mercy, listen to our humble request.

We pray that you will in your goodness, grant a miracle through the intercession of Blessed Dominic, so that the Church may further honour him on earth and that many more people will come to know and invoke the help of this faithful servant of the Church. We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen. Mary, Mother of Mercy, Pray for us. Blessed Dominic Barberi, Pray for us.

Saint John Henry Newman, Pray for us.

**ST. PETER'S CREAM TEA:** unfortunately has been **cancelled** due to unforeseen circumstances. Apologies for the inconvenience.

**COME & PLAY:** is on holiday until **Tue 2 Sept 9.30-11**. Contact Clare Burdett—07720 887002

**PASTIMES COMMUNITY HUB:** Tuesdays 12-3pm. A warm welcome awaits you at this lively weekly gathering in St. Peter's Hall.

**YOUNG ADULTS GROUP:** Bible Study is on **Thurs 7pm** in person and via zoom. please contact Freya on **WHATSAPP 07562486507** for the link. The Young Adults Group is open to all 18-30 Catholics.

**STUDY & REFLECTION ON MASS READINGS:** Every **Friday from 11-12** Davenport Room upstairs in SP hall. 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!

**FORTHCOMING FUNERALS:** **Mary Hastings** RIP: Requiem Our Lady's Wed 3 Sept 1pm. **Josephine Mander** RIP: Requiem Our Lady's Wed 10 Sept 1pm. **Alison Young** RIP: Requiem Our Lady's Thurs 18 Sept 1pm.

**SOMETHING GREATER:** A course of foundation level preparation for exploring becoming a parish catechist. This introductory session is on **Wed 10 Sept, 7.15pm St Mary Immaculate, Warwick**. Email [canon.david.hartley@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:canon.david.hartley@rcaob.org.uk). Being able to pass on the faith with confidence is a vital part of the Church's mission.

**INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC? WANT TO KNOW MORE?**

**ABOUT YOUR FAITH? FEELING THE CALL TOO BE CONFIRMED?** Our annual **Come and See** sessions will begin again in the autumn. We shall be looking to register interest next month. Please email Gareth at [rcia.cathleam@gmail.com](mailto:rcia.cathleam@gmail.com) to register your interest.

**OUR LADY'S HERITAGE OPEN DAY:** afternoon of 14 Sept 2025.

**ST PETER'S HERITAGE OPEN DAY:** 20 Sept from 11am—4pm. Plans are being made for this to include a flower festival.

**JUMBLE SALE:** 4 October in St Peter's hall, organised by Pastimes

**MARRIAGE HELP:** Retrouvaille helps couples find hope and healing for their marriage. Next date: **17-19 Oct**. [www.retrouvaille.org.uk](http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk) Tel: 0788 7296983

**CHRISTMAS FAIR:** 15 Nov in St Peter's Hall, organised by Pastimes.

**A VISION FOR ST PETER'S AND OUR LADY'S:** Please speak to or email its chair, Martin, at [martinfoley73@gmail.com](mailto:martinfoley73@gmail.com) or any Pastoral Council member in person (membership details on the same web pages) or email the parish office. Next meeting of the Pastoral Council is **17 Sept**.

**LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION:** SP 1st Collection - £599.90, 2nd Collection (Church Maintenance) - £354.80, OL 1st Collection - £244.71, 2nd Collection (Church Roof Repairs) - £201.45, **plus** giving, by card machine, via the internet and by standing order.

**SPAN** Fr Kasozi of Regina Mundi Church, Otumbari, **Uganda** thanked SPAN for supporting his needy parishioners. Thank you for your gifts.

**SYNODALITY:** A summary of the **Pathways for the Implementation Phase of the Synod 2025-2028** can be found in August EXTRA.

**MASS INTENTIONS:** The minimum amount of time needed to book dates is **2 weeks from date of request**. The earliest available Sunday Mass at OL is the start of October and at SP is the end of September.

**7 DAY CANDLES:** This week the **Sanctuary Candle** burns **In memory of Tony McAndrew RIP**, The **St. Joseph's Chapel** candle burns for: **A Private Intention**, The **Sacred Heart Chapel** candle burns for **Henny & Aline's Intentions**. If you would like a candle lit for your intentions or for a friend or relative, envelopes are at back of church. Please post in the collection at Mass with the donation of £5. Thank you.

**COULD YOU BE A SERVER? COULD YOUR SON OR DAUGHTER?:** **Thank you** to our servers at both churches. We'd love more!

See **BOB** at St Peter's, or **ADRIAN** at Our Lady's.

**FOUNDATION GOVERNOR VACANCIES AT CATHOLIC SCHOOLS:** Beth Sharpe, the newly appointed Headteacher of Trinity Catholic School and a member of our St Peter's congregation, would be very happy to answer any questions you may have about the role. You can contact Beth directly at [bsharpe@tcs.magnificat.org.uk](mailto:bsharpe@tcs.magnificat.org.uk) or 07512 767025, or catch her before or after Sunday Mass. To understand more about the importance of Foundation Governors, you can watch Archbishop Bernard's video at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fadeh5QR9wA>

**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! 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 can't deal with initial arrangements by phone, email or through friends or other family members, but face to face.

**Our prayers for the Sick:** Bill, Giovanni Allurlino, Marie Clare Banner, Jim Bell, Edward Behan, Sarah Bonnalie, Pam Brambles, Silvia Brookes, Lee Burbury, Norman Byrne, Mario Fasi, Wilfrid Feely, Barbara Gekoski, Joe Graham, Eileen Hiorns, Mist Johnson, David Kendall, John Kiernan, Peter McCarthy, Alfreda McHale, Una Maddocks, David Mander, Deborah Meades, Kate Miles, Fina Monastero, Michael Mulcahy, Paula Newton, Marcella Nicholls, Gill Parker, Jane Parker, John Sawyer, Gilly Schweigert, Nell Smyth, Christine Tam, Terena Tam, Terry Tam, Elizabeth Weston, 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.*