

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

## 26th Sunday of Ordinary Time Year C: Sunday 28th September 2025: Holy Year



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DAY	AT ST PETER'S CV32 5AA	AT OUR LADY'S CV32 7SJ	INTENTION
<b>SUNDAY 28th</b> <b>26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	Confession 4.15-4.45pm <b>5pm: Vigil Mass</b>	~	Deacon Paul Milton's Intentions Pro Populo
	<b>11.15am Sung Mass</b> <i>With Children's Liturgy</i>	<b>9.15am Sung Mass</b> <i>With Children's Lit.</i>	Marie Louise Beyiha RIP
Monday 29th <i>Feast of Ss Michael, Gabriel &amp; Raphael, Archangel</i>	~	~	<b>9:30AM MASS AT ST. JOSEPH'S, WHITNASH</b>
Tuesday 30th <i>Mem. St Jerome, Priest, Doctor of the Church</i>	10am Mass	~	Solange Beccles— 5th anniv. RIP
Wednesday 1st October <i>Mem. St Thérèse of the Child Jesus. Virgin, Doctor of the Church</i>	~	10am Mass	Denis Meade RIP
Thursday 2nd <i>Mem. Holy Guardian Angels</i>	10am Mass	~	Pat Bishop RIP
Friday 3rd <i>Feria. CAFOD Harvest Fast Day</i>	11:30am Funeral Service 3pm Divine Mercy Dev.	~	<b>10am Mass at St Joseph's, Whitnash</b> <b>Funeral: Paula Hodgkinson RIP</b>
Saturday 4th <i>Mem. St Francis of Assisi</i>	9am Holy Hour No Mass or confession Confession 4.15-45pm <b>5pm: Vigil Mass</b>	~	<b>9:30AM MASS &amp; 10AM CONFESSIONS AT ST JOSEPH'S, WHITNASH</b>
		~	McVeigh Family
<b>SUNDAY 5th</b> <b>27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	<b>11.15am Sung Mass</b> <i>With Children's Liturgy</i>	<b>9.15am Sung Mass</b> <i>With Children's Lit.</i>	Elizabeth & Adrian Pauling 30th Wedding anniv; Thomas & Kathleen Pryor & deceased of the family RIP Stephanus Bl de Rozari RIP anniv.

**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** 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:** Mary McCann, James McGivern, Margaret Bull, Sean Hogan, Beryl Hartnett, Rowan Fitzgerald, Kathleen Briddon, Donald Andrews, Hilda Jones, William Morey, Mary O'Connor, Rev. Mgr. Henry Farrelly, Rev. Cn. Anthony Piercy, Rev. Fr. Edward Cotter, Rev. Fr. Laurence Daly, Rev. Fr. Denis Egan, Rev. Fr. William McGann, Rev. Fr. John Nightingale, Rev. Fr. John Danaher, Rev. Fr. John Bullen.

**The recently deceased:** Ros Dobbin, Rev. Fr Noel Breslin, Paula Hodgkinson, Christine Pryor, Alfreda McHale, Sue Maher, Rev. Paul Mayland, Eileen Drew, Patricia Bishop, Alison Young.

***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

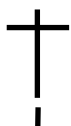
Young or old—see Fr Stephen, or Bob at St Peter's, or Adrian at Our Lady's

### FACEBOOK PAGES

CATHOLIC LEAMINGTON is [here](#)

OUR LADY'S is [here](#)

Links from website too



SEPTEMBER IS THE MONTH OF  
THE HOLY CROSS & OF OUR BLESSED LADY'S BIRTHDAY AND IS  
DEDICATED TO OUR LADY OF SORROWS

*'At the Cross, her station keeping, stood the mournful mother weeping' The Stabat Mater*

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.

**WELCOME TO MASS:** If you are a visitor, a new arrival in the area, or a student returning or arriving, please say hello to Fr Stephen or Deacon Paul. There is tea and coffee and conversation available after Mass on Sunday mornings in the hall. Everyone is welcome to be here today. Amos' theme of woe to those who live at ease, unthinking and uncaring, develops his condemnation last week of those who exploit the poor, swindle their customers and overcharge while underpaying, desperate for holidays to be over so that they can back to their scams. Today's parable likewise reveals that it is not only our actions than bring us to sin but our lack of action too!. The rich man, traditionally known as Dives (as in the English folk song about this parable) has ignored poor Lazarus and finds himself in hell. He seems to accept this but wants his brothers to escape the same fate by a warning given by Lazarus, risen from the dead. But then Moses and the prophets (such as Amos) have given warning aplenty. And then a chilling prophecy: 'neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead'. So, first Jesus warns us that failing to do good is as serious as doing what is wrong ('in what I have done and in what I have failed to do') and then offers the truth that even the resurrection is not good enough for some people. This greatest act of God's love and mercy leaves us crowns the earthly life of Jesus as one who always did what was right and loving, and never missed the opportunity to do good in the service of God and humanity.

**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!**

#### PARISH GROUPS & NEWS

**FR NOEL BRESLIN RIP:** Please continue to pray for him and his family. May he rest in peace. Once funerals details are known, they will be announced.

**FR KEVIN HOOPER:** Fr Kevin will retire as parish priest of Kenilworth in the first weekend of Oct. He moves to Leamington, and once settled in will begin a retirement ministry helping in Leamington and beyond. The regular Monday Masses will therefore resume a few weeks.

**WARWICK UNIVERSITY:** A welcome to all students, new or returning. You are invited to worship with us and experience the Young Adult Group. There is an active CathSoc on campus and a Sunday Mass for students just off campus at St Joseph the Worker, behind Tesco. Do make contact with the Catholic Chaplain, Fr Simon Baker [simon.baker.2@warwick.ac.uk](mailto:simon.baker.2@warwick.ac.uk)

**FORTHCOMING FUNERALS:** Paula Hodgkinson RIP Service St Peter's 3rd Oct. 11:30am, Christine Pryor RIP date of Requiem to be announced. Sue Maher, known to many, has her Requiem Mass at St Joseph's, 2 Oct 11am, Ros Dobbin RIP, the retired St. Peter's Housekeeper, has her Requiem Mass at St. Peter's on 17 Oct 1pm.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY:** At both parishes on Sunday mornings.

**COME & PLAY:** Tue 9.30-11 in St Peter's Hall

**PASTIMES COMMUNITY HUB:** Tuesdays 12-3pm In St Peter's Hall.

**YOUNG ADULT GROUP:** contact Freya on 07749 929284 or 07565 142204 All 18-30s are warmly invited to make contact and become part of the group for social, spirituals and practical events.

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

**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.

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

**SPAN:** Supporting People Across the Nations. Thanks received from CAFOD for your donation of £200 to Darfur and £ 500 to help the Afghanistan Earthquake appeal.

#### EVENTS

**PARISH SUNDAY LUNCH:** St Peter's Hall, Today at 1pm.

**WEDDING:** Congratulations to Theresa and Thomas Hayes.

**Our prayers for the Sick:** Bill, Giovanni Allurlino, Marie Clare Banner, Edward Behan, Jim Bell, 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, 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.*

**CAFOD: Harvest Family Fast Day is Friday 3 Oct.** To support this there will be a soup lunch in St Peter's Hall 12 - 1.30pm. Delicious homemade soups and good company, everyone welcome. The second collection on Sun 5 Oct will be for CAFOD—the Catholic Fund for Overseas Development aid agency **ANNUAL SERVING THANKSGIVING MASS:** All Altar Servers and their families are invited to join this year's event for the Guild of St Stephen. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop David Evans on **Sat 4 Oct, 12pm at St Chad's Cathedral**. Refreshments to follow. Please speak to Adrian on **07485 049692** so numbers can be provided to the Cathedral in advance.

**GET READY TO JUMBLE SALE!: 1:30pm on 4 October**, St Peter's hall, the Pastimes group has organised this event and are looking for volunteers to help. We also require donations of jumble. Please see **Mary Curran at Pastimes**, or **Freya (YAG)** to make your interest known.

**COME AND SEE (RCIA):** Interested in becoming Catholic? Want to know more about faith or feeling the call to be Confirmed? Our annual **Come and See** sessions will begin on **Thu 9 Oct, 7.30pm in Our Lady's church hall**.

Email Gareth at [rcia.cathleam@gmail.com](mailto:rcia.cathleam@gmail.com)

**KINDAID JUST DESSERTS:** Sat 18 Oct. from 7pm at Our Lady's.

Tickets £10, Child £5. Homemade soups and boundless puddings!

Advance booking needed through any member of Kindaid Committee.

**ST PATRICK'S SCHOOL OPEN DAY:** Mon. 20th Oct. 9-11am & 4-5:30pm

Please visit the website: <https://www.spa.magnificat.org.uk/>

**YOUTH GROUP:** All children in years 6, 7 or 8 are invited to attend the next meeting on Thursdays of **23 Oct, 27 Nov & 18 Dec**. in Davenport Room at St Peter's Church Hall 7:00pm –8:30pm. Speak to Deacon Paul for more information.

**ST PETER'S CHRISTMAS FAIR:** 15 Nov St Peter's Hall, run by Pastimes

**OUR LADY'S CHRISTMAS FAIR:** 29 Nov at Our Lady's

#### OTHER INFORMATION

**THE SEASON OF CREATION:** Let us join together to pray the Joyful Mysteries of the rosary for the care of creation. See CAFOD Creation prayer or CAFOD family prayer. 1 Sept—4 Oct.

**FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT 22 Sept to 5 Oct.** Buy fairly traded goods bearing the Fairtrade mark to support the world's farmers. It means they get a fair price and so can invest in their farms, feed their families and invest in their futures with proud self-sufficiency.

**JUSTICE AND PEACE GROUP PRAYER INTENTION:** That we may be aware of our dependence on the *natural world* and respect it in our lives.

**ST ANTHONY'S SCHOOL NURSERY:** Vacancies for children for 15 or 30 hour weekly sessions. Please see poster in St Peter's porch.

**COLLECTIONS:** SP 1<sup>st</sup> Coll - £426.86, 2<sup>nd</sup> Coll 271.15; OL 1<sup>st</sup> Coll - £216, 2<sup>nd</sup> Coll - £271.15, plus giving, by card machine, via the internet and by standing order. **Thank you.** 2<sup>nd</sup> Colls *last* week were for **CATHOLIC EVANGELISATION**. 2<sup>nd</sup> Coll *this* week are for **FR HUDSON'S SOCIETY**.

2<sup>nd</sup> Coll *next* week are for **CAFOD HARVEST FESTIVAL**.

**MASS INTENTIONS:** The minimum amount of time needed to book dates is **2 weeks from date of request**.

**7 DAY CANDLES:** This week the **Our Lady Chapel** candle burns: **Private Intention**. 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.

**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.

**THE PASTORAL COUNCIL** Minutes will be on the website in due course.

#### 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.