

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

6th Sunday of Ordinary Time Year A: Sunday 15th February 2026

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THANK YOU!

DAY	AT ST PETER'S Dormer Place CV32 5AA	AT OUR LADY'S Valley Road CV32 7SJ	INTENTION
SUNDAY 15th 6TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	Confession 4.15-45pm 5pm: Vigil Mass	~	Intentions of the McVeigh family
	11:15am Sung Mass <i>No Children's Liturgy</i>	9.15am Sung Mass <i>No Children's Liturgy</i>	Richard Wall RIP Angela Browne RIP
Monday 16th <i>Feria</i>	10am Mass	~	Bridget Lynch RIP
Tuesday 17th <i>Opt. Seven Holy Founders of the Order of Servants of the BVM.</i>	10am Mass	~	Rev. Fr. David Cawley RIP; <i>Francisca Ngozi Nwanguu</i>
Wednesday 18th ASH WEDNESDAY: LENT BEGINS	10am Mass 7pm Mass	12 noon Mass	Richard Phillips RIP Simon & Kevin Daly; <i>John Salt RIP</i> Peggy Clancy RIP
Thursday 19th <i>Thursday after Ash Wednesday</i>	10am Mass	~	Jim & Margaret McGreevy RIP; <i>Simon Rogers RIP</i>
Friday 20th <i>Friday after Ash Wednesday</i>	7.30am Mass 11am Funeral Mass 3pm Divine Mercy Dev.	~	The People of the Parish Requiem: Janice Austin RIP
Saturday 21st <i>Opt. Commemoration of St. Peter Damian, Bp., Dr. of the Church</i>	9am Holy Hour Confession 9:15-9:45am 10am Mass Confession 4.15-45pm 5pm: Vigil Mass	~ ~	Angela & Max Unitt's Birthday Ints.; <i>Billy Manning RIP</i> Margaret & Nicholas Bannan RIP
SUNDAY 22nd 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT	11:15am Sung Mass <i>No Children's Liturgy</i>	9.15am Sung Mass <i>No Children's Liturgy</i> 4.00pm Stations Cross	In thanksgiving for Kindaid's 30th Anniversary; <i>Anastasia Power RIP</i> Euarda Cruz

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

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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: Martin O'Regan, Carolyn Darnell, Mary O'Sullivan, Peter Wreford-Bush, Margaret Smith, James Cleary, Cornelius Forde, Janet Masterson, Margaret McCarthy, Mary Bevan, Michael Hughes, Elizabeth McDermott, George Pearson, Very Rev. Mgr. Cn. Peter Lawler, Very Rev. Mgr. Joseph Healy, Very Rev. Cn. William Roughan, Very Rev. Cn. Sean McTernan, Rev. Fr. Charles O'Reilly, Rev. Fr. William Conefrey, Rev. Fr. Joseph McEvilly, Rev. Fr. Timothy Healy, Rev. Fr. Terence McDonnell, Rev. Fr. Francis Jordan, Rev. Fr. Alexander McGavin, Rev. Fr. Francis Coyle, Rev. Fr. Sean Farrell.

The recently deceased: Rev. Fr Brian Wall, Rev. Fr Simon Bishop SJ, Janice Austin, Marie Kennedy.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

FEBRUARY: MONTH OF THE HOLY FAMILY

J+M+J

O JESUS, BE OUR SALVATION! O MARY, PRAY FOR US! O JOSEPH, PRAY FOR US!



SCAN TO SEE THE
MASS READINGS

TEA & COFFEE

After Sunday
Morning Masses in the
church halls
All Welcome!

FACEBOOK PAGES

CATHOLIC LEAMINGTON is [here](#)

OUR LADY'S is [here](#)

Links from website too

MORE ALTAR SERVERS

ALWAYS WELCOME!

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

WELCOME TO MASS: *If you are a visitor, or a new arrival in the area, do say hello to Fr Stephen, Deacon Paul or Fr Kevin. There is tea and coffee and conversation available after both Masses on Sundays in the hall.*

Making the right choices is naturally what most normal people want. We have free will and can decide to do whatever we want—if we accept the consequences. But with freedom of choice comes responsibility to choose wisely. The commandments of God are there to help us do that. After all, our Creator knows us better than anyone and His guidance over what's best for us cannot be improved on. But Christians are not people governed by rules but by a relationship with their Saviour Jesus Christ. A relationship of love, that means He wants to draw out the very best from us. The highest standards are what good parents and good teachers want from their children. In the gospel today it is clear that Jesus wants that from us too. A good point to take stock of ourselves as Lent draws near.

God bless you, 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!**

THIS WEEK

PRESBYTERY PHONE LINE: The presbytery telephone stopped working last Saturday morning. It is unclear when it will be mended though BT assure us that it is being worked on.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE: This **Sunday 2pm: 'A New Generation Rising to Defend Life - Young pro-lifers share their reasons for being involved in 40 Days for Life'**. Come along to St Joseph and St Helen's Church Hall 84 Northfield Rd, King's Norton B30 1JG. This is for all ages. Contact Isabel 07773 501721 izzvvs@gmail.com for more information.

HOLY ROSARY DEVOTION: Sunday 8:45am at OL and 10:45am at SP for discerning the renewed future of the parishes.

BINGO IN AID OF OUR LADY'S ROOF: Fri 20 Feb at Our Lady's hall 7pm. Please see poster in the Porch at both churches.

PASTIMES COMMUNITY HUB: on Tuesday 12-3pm in SP Hall.

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP (YAG) BIBLE STUDY: Every **Tuesday 7pm** in St Peter's Church Hall—Flint Room.

ASH WEDNESDAY: Ash Wednesday falls on **18 February**. It is not a day of obligation but it is an important day marking the beginning of our renewal as followers of Jesus seeking to give up sin and take on holiness. Masses at **St Peter's at 10am and 7pm** and at **Our Lady's 12 noon**.

LENT: At St Peter's: Mondays Justice & Peace Stations of the Cross follow 10am Mass, in the hall using audio and visual aids. **Fridays** 7.30am Mass to start the day quietly in prayer. **Thurs 26 March** Day of Confession. Other events as shown on the 'LENT 2026' sheet and as announced.

At Our Lady's: Every Sunday at 4pm Vespers or Stations, as announced. Lenten devotion is also grown by engaging more with what is already happening in the life of the parishes—Mass, confession, Divine Mercy.

STUDY & REFLECTION ON SUNDAY MASS READINGS: On **Fridays** from **11am-12pm** 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 to praise God!

COMING SOON

KINDAID: is marking its 30th anniversary with a celebration in Our Lady's church hall **after 9.15 am Mass Sunday, 22 Feb**. All parishioners and supporters of KINDAID are very welcome to come along for a celebratory drink and cake after Mass.

SPARK YOUTH GROUP: The next SPARK meeting will take place on **Thurs 26 February & Thurs 26 March 7 - 8:30pm** at SP Hall.

CAFOD: Lenten Family Fast Day is Friday 27 Feb. This is a good opportunity to put Catholic Social Teaching into practice by donating to CAFOD projects which help to make a better world. To support this fund-raising event there will be a Soup and Roll lunch in **St Peter's Hall on Friday 27 Feb 12 - 1.30pm**. Lots of delicious homemade soups and fresh rolls, everyone welcome.

YAG SOCIAL: Holy Relationships! A talk about how to stay holy in and what

it means to be in relationship. **Fri. 27 Feb 7pm**, Flint Room, at St Peter's **DIOCESAN PLANNED GIVING CAMPAIGN:** parishes are expected to hold a Planned Giving Campaign by Easter. At St Peter's this will be **1, 8 and 15 March**. This is part of the diocesan vision & reflects the challenge of 'our parish, our responsibility'. Ordinary giving for basic bills across the diocese has not kept pace with rising costs alas. All our everyday bills have to be met by us & there will be information about figures, ways to give and Gift Aid. Since Our Lady's has its own campaign to raise vital funds for the roof, the planned giving campaign will not need to happen there.

SP BOOK CLUB: The next meeting will be on **Tuesday 3 March** at 1:30pm in the Davenport room. £2 charge, open to everyone!

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER: (formerly Women's WD of Prayer). **Fri 6 March 2pm** at Lillington Free Church, Cubbington Road.

HOSANNA CANTATA: There will be a production of **Hosanna, A Cantata in Song and Mime**, led by people with learning disabilities & friends, on **Sat 7 March at 2.30pm**, at **St. Chad's Cathedral**. It is being led by persons with disabilities & diverse needs & friends. Contact Julia FitzSimons on handbirmingham@gmail.com or mcxholden@virginmedia.com for Mary Holden.

CONFIRMATION AT ST PETER'S CHURCH: Thu 25 March 7pm (The Annunciation) for pupils of St Patrick's, St Anthony's and St Peter's Schools. Bishop Richard Walker will celebrate Mass and Confirmation.

OTHER INFORMATION

JUSTICE & PEACE: Prayer Intention for February is "that in Lent we live more simply in solidarity with those who struggle to survive"

YOUNG ADULT GROUP: text **Freya 07565 142204 (WhatsApp)** or connect via Instagram [@catholicleaningtonyag](https://www.instagram.com/catholicleaningtonyag)

LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTIONS: SP: 1st - £684.52, 2nd (Ch. Maint.) - £330.57; OL: 1st - £221.86, 2nd (OL Vision) - £251.75

2nd Colls. **this weekend** are for **SP: MAINTENANCE FUND, OL: PARISH VISION.**

MASS INTENTIONS PLEASE NOTE: The minimum amount of time needed to book dates is **2 weeks from date of request**. 11.15am is booked until June.

7 DAY CANDLES: Envelopes are at back of church. Please post in the collection at Mass a donation of £5.

ALTAR SERVERS: By assisting with the celebration of Mass, you help to maintain a reverent atmosphere contributing to the spiritual growth of the community. **We'd love more!** See **Bob at St Peter's, or Adrian at Our Lady's.**

PASTORAL COUNCIL: Members are **always happy** to hear parishioners' ideas, comments or suggestions about any aspect of the life, buildings and activities of the two parishes. Details of members are in the churches porches or email martinfoley73@gmail.com.

PUTTING OUR VISION FOR OL INTO ACTION: We've started processing the yellow Talents Challenge cards and are heartened by the response to joining one of the 5 Vision & Action (V&A) groups. However, if we want to fully bring Our Vision for Our Lady's to life, take on co-responsibility for the running of our Parish and prove we are a vibrant community, active in God's Mission we need a lot more people to sign up for a V&A group. Please fill in the yellow 'Talents Challenge' card and put it in the secure box on the Vision Table in Our Lady's Church.

OL ROOF FUND FIGURE TO 1 FEBRUARY: The net total amount in the OL Roof Fund is: **£19,807.61**. The **next update** will be 1 March 2026. **All tiles bought in 2026 will be doubled! Thank you for your generosity.**

CANDLE STUBS FOR UKRAINE: These can be placed in the box at the back of SP Church or in the Hall. Please, no tin or glass, just old candles.

ARRANGING A WEDDING

Congratulations on your engagement! To arrange a wedding, a meeting with Fr Stephen is vital so that the canonical (Church) and civil processes can be followed. At least six months' notice 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—you are asking for your child to join the community of the Church, so we welcome you to come and meet its members here.

Our prayers for the Sick: Bill, Giovanni Allurlino, Leticia Alvarez-Shanahan, Marie Clare Banner, Edward Behan, Jim Bell, Sarah Bonnalie, Pam Brambles, Silvia Brookes, Lee Burbury, Norman Byrne, Mario Fasi, Wilfrid Feely, Barbara Gekoski, Joan Gibbons, Joe Graham, Eileen Hiorns, Mist Johnson, David Kendall, John Kiernan, Peter McCarthy, Una Maddocks, David Mander, Deborah Meades, Kate Miles, John Milton, Fina Monastero, Michael Mulcahy, Paula Newton, Gill Parker, Jane Parker, John Sawyer, Gilly Schweigert, Nell Smyth, Bridie Streeter, Christine Tam, Terena Tam, Terry Tam, Elizabeth Weston, Peter Wright, & all those at home, or in the nursing homes, and 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. Our Lady, help of the sick, pray for them.

LENT 2026

Prayer and Penance, Almsgiving and Fasting

St Peter Apostle, Dormer Place, Leamington Spa & Our Lady, Valley Road, Lillington

LENT2026

Every Lent we called again to give up sin and take up holiness. There are many ways in which we may foster our spiritual lives, deepening our love of God and our neighbour. These are some of our parishes' events that can help us have a good Lent and at its end, rejoice more fully in the joy of the resurrection.

ASH WEDNESDAY 18 FEBRUARY

10am Mass at St Peter's
Noon Mass at Our Lady's
7.00pm Mass at St Peter's

CONFESSION at St Peter's

Saturday 9.15am-9.45am (before Mass)
Saturday 4.15pm-4.45pm (before Mass)
Thursday 26 March 10.30am-6.00pm

CONFESSION at Our Lady's

After Wednesday 10am Mass

MASS

Sunday 9.15am at Our Lady's
Sunday 11.15am at St Peter's
Monday 10am at St Peter's
Tuesday 10am at St Peter's
Wednesday 10am at Our Lady's
Thursday 10am at St Peter's
Friday 7.30am & 10am at St Peter's
Saturday 10am at St Peter's
Saturday Vigil Mass 5pm at St Peter's

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Saturday 9-9.45am at St Peter's
Wednesday 5 March after 10am Mass at Our Lady's

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION at St Peter's

Every Friday at 3pm reflective devotions that help us ponder the depth of God's love and mercy shown to us by the crucified Christ.

ST PETER'S CHURCH IS OPEN

for private prayer every day. Draw on the beauty and quiet of the church in the presence of Christ Himself in the Blessed Sacrament.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS at St Peter's
Mondays after Mass, Justice & Peace Stations in the church hall

Other times as announced on the weekly sheet

STATIONS OF THE CROSS at Our Lady's
Wednesdays after 10am Mass
Sundays 22 Feb, 8, 15, 29 March at 4pm

SUNDAY VESPERS at Our Lady's
1 & 22 March at 4pm

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Make use of the diocesan *Walk with Me* booklets and calendars or the online resource Universalis universalis.com/today.htm

WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY

Fridays at 11am upstairs in St Peter's Hall

THE DAILY OFFICE OF THE CHURCH Morning & Evening Prayer

Use a breviary or office book or Universalis at universalis.com/today.htm Morning prayer is said at 9.30am on Saturdays at St Peter's.

ALMSGIVING

Support the parishes' local charities SPAN and Kindaid, donate to the foodbank box at the back of church, support CAFOD Lent Fast Day on 27 February (collection in church Sunday 29).

CAFOD LENT LUNCH

Support CAFOD and its work to bring sustainable health, education and food to the world's poorest places. Friday 27 February 12-1,30pm in St Peter's Hall.