

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

Third Sunday of Easter, Year A: Sunday 19th April 2026

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DAY	AT ST PETER'S Dormer Place CV32 5AA	AT OUR LADY'S Valley Road CV32 7SJ	INTENTION
SUNDAY 19th THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER	4:15 -45pm Confessions 5pm: Vigil Mass	~	Ann Sayce RIP Anniv.; John Shannon
	11:15am Sung Mass <i>Children's Liturgy</i>	9.15am Sung Mass <i>Children's Liturgy</i>	Yvonne Denby RIP Rita Taylor RIP
Monday 20th <i>Easter Feria</i>	10am Mass	~	Velma Rose RIP 7th Anniv.
Tuesday 21st <i>Opt. Mem. of St. Anselm, Bp., Dr. of the Church</i>	10am Mass	~	Matthew Godwin RIP; <i>Susan Everest's Healing</i>
Wednesday 22nd <i>Easter Feria</i>	~	10am Mass	F. A. Family; <i>Gina Rint RIP</i>
Thursday 23rd Solemnity of St. George, M., Patron of England	10am Mass	~	Mr. M. E. Connolly RIP; <i>Zainab Lawless RIP</i>
Friday 24th <i>Opt. Mem. of St. Adalbert, Bp. M.</i>	10am Mass 3pm Divine Mercy Devotions	~	Fernando Sousa RIP; <i>Sean Bell RIP</i>
Saturday 25th Feast of St. Mark, Evangelist	9am Holy Hour, 9:15 -45am Confessions, 10am Mass 4:15 -45pm Confessions 5pm: Vigil Mass	~ ~	Deceased of the Hedgecox Family; <i>Sheila Griffin RIP</i> Rita Taylor RIP
SUNDAY 26th FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	11:15am Sung Mass <i>Children's Liturgy</i>	9.15am Sung Mass <i>Children's Liturgy</i>	Deirdre Kearney RIP Peter Pugh RIP

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 and at **St Peter's** Susan Chan email sg.stpeterapostle.leamington@rcaob.org.uk **THESE EMAILS ARE FOR SAFEGUARDING ONLY. Parish and priest emails are at the top of this sheet.**

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: James Baker, Anne Alexander, Catherine Cronin, Margaret O'Brien, Maureen Finnesey, Rosa Venetico, Peter D'Souza, Joseph Wright, Edward Burns, Judith Gregory, Donna Waters, James Lambe, Judith Endean, Kathleen Donovan, Bernard Abbott, Mary Maguire, Mary Dendek, H.H. Pope Francis, Rt. Rev. Bishop McCartie, Rev. Fr. Reginald Slade, Rev. Fr. Patrick Downey, Rev. Fr. Antony Conlon, Rev. Fr. Hugh Griffith, Rev. Fr. Andrew Kenny, Rev. Fr. Oswald Joyce, Rev. Fr. Liam Bouchier, Rev. Fr. Benjamin Cox, Rev. Fr. Wilfrid Davenport, Rev. Fr. Desmond Donnelly, Rev. Fr. Peter Dennison.

The recently deceased: Samuel Henn, Rita Taylor, Tom McKenna, Barry Thurlow, Judith Champ. **Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.**



CHRIST IS RISEN!

ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!



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.*

Scripture this Sunday. The story of the two disciples on the road to Emmaus is a well-known account of the two of Jesus' followers coming face to face with the risen Lord. They are aware of the claim that Jesus has risen but haven't seen Him for themselves. Something prevents them seeing Him properly until He takes, blesses, and breaks bread. At that moment they know! And then they realise how His words had made their hearts burn as they had walked with Him. The setting for this astounding event is so ordinary: a journey, a conversation, a consideration of the Scriptures, a meal and yet a profound lifechanging truth is revealed through them: Christ is risen! At this very beginning of the Church's existence we see how word—Scripture—and sacrament—the celebration of Mass—reveal the presence of Jesus. These two gifts of God to us are given that we might know Christ and the salvation He brings. Christ is there in His Word and in the Sacraments. May the experience of these two disciples be ours also, for Jesus has provided what we need for that to happen. **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 WEEKEND & THE WEEK AHEAD

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

KENELM YOUTH TRUST: This Sat - 18 April the Kenelm Youth Trust (responsible for youth work in the Archdiocese) has a day conference in SP hall. Some of those attending will also come to the 5pm Mass that day, with musicians. There will also be an afternoon time of exposition.

PASTIMES COMMUNITY HUB: on Tuesday 12-3pm in SP Hall. Come and play or learn to play Whist in St. Peter's Hall. Sessions at 1:30pm.

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

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION: Parents' meeting on Tues 28 April at 6pm in Our Lady's Church Hall for parents of children at Our Lady's & St Teresa's who wish to be confirmed **and** for parents of those not at Catholic schools and in Year 6 or above.

SPARK YOUTH GROUP: The next meetings of our Youth Group for school years 5,6,7 and 8 are 30 April, 21 May, 25 June, 16 July in the Dormer Centre.

KINDAID'S MAY MERRIMENT: with games & activities for all the family - on Saturday, 2 May at 7 pm. Tickets £10 adults, £5 children includes delicious jacket potato supper. Contact Sue Sugars 07950 144450

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM: Pilgrims are invited to travel to 'England's Nazareth' on Saturday 9 May. More info - www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/event/all-welcome-diocesan-day-pilgrimage-to-walsingham-2026

OSCOTT EVENTS: From Sinai to Rome: Jewish Identity in the Catholic Church, Mon 27 April A free event - details: stmaryscollegeoscottio.churchsuite.com/events/n0g58ukm

St John Henry Newman, Theology and the Imagination, Fri 1 May - Sat 2 May Info: stmaryscollegeoscottio.churchsuite.com/events/al1hod7n
Organ Recital, Sun 3 May more info: <https://stmaryscollegeoscottio.churchsuite.com/events/22e4lszl>

OTHER INFORMATION

FINANCIAL SKILLS?: Are there any St Peter's parishioners with experi-

ence in finance who would consider joining the Finance Committee? Being a qualified accountant, an investment banker or running a company are not essential of course but the relevant skills in reading accounts, budget setting, probing spending and income and so on would be a great help. It is through the Finance Committee, that every parish must have, that the gifts of the laity may be used co-responsibly with the priest to manage the finances of the parish. Please see Fr Stephen if you can help in this way.

VOCATIONS: Are you in school years 9-13? Feel you may be being called to the priesthood? Please consider signing up to the Diocesan Young Discerners Group, which meets on Saturday 9 May at **St. Mary's College, Oscott**. Where you will find out more about the priesthood and seminary life, spend time in prayer, meet seminarians and explore how to discern. Parents are also invited to attend as part of a parallel programme, tour Oscott, and speak to a Priest's parents. **Booking Essential**. See Poster in the entrance of St. Peter's or Our Lady's for more information.

JUSTICE & PEACE: Prayer intention for April is: that all who are hungry may be fed and we who have food may not waste it.

SPAN: Your Easter Almsgiving through SPAN provided £ 2,500 to local families and £800 each to Friends of the Holy Land and House of Light and Hope. **Thank you**

YOUNG ADULT GROUP (YAG) 18-30: text Freya 07565 142204

(WhatsApp) or connect via Instagram @catholicleamingtonyag

LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTIONS: 1st Coll. SP: £604.43, OL: £234.82. 2nd Coll. SP (Ch. Maint.): £390.54, OL (OL Vision): £214.42. 2nd Collections this week are for: **SP: Church Maintenance, OL: OL Vision. Thank you for your generosity.**

MASS INTENTIONS PLEASE NOTE: The **minimum amount of time** needed to book dates is **2 weeks from date of request**. We currently have availability in May for weekend Masses.

7 DAY CANDLES: During April the **Our Lady Chapel** candle burns: **In Memory of Simon Rogers RIP**. Envelopes are at back of church. Please post in the collection at Mass with a donation of £5.

PASTORAL COUNCIL: Members are **always happy** to hear from parishioners' ideas. Details of members are in the churches porches or email martinfoley73@gmail.com.

PUTTING OUR VISION FOR OUR LADY'S INTO ACTION: If you haven't already, please fill in a yellow Talents Challenge Card & pop it into the secure box on the Vision Table. Introductory sessions are continuing for Vision & Action groups. **Thank you**

OL ROOF FUND FIGURE TO 1 APRIL: The net total amount in the OL Roof Fund is: **£38,019.69**. The **next update** will be 3rd May 2026. **All tiles bought in 2026 will be doubled! Thank you for your generosity.**

ALTAR SERVERS: We'd love more servers! See Bob at St Peter's, or Adrian at Our Lady's.

CANDLES FOR UKRAINE: In both **Our Lady's and St Peter's** these can be placed in the box at the back of church or in the Hall. Please, **no** tin or glass, just candles— any candle that's unwanted or unusable, broken, stubs, left overs...

ARRANGING A WEDDING

Congratulations on your engagement! To arrange a wedding, you must **begin with a meeting of you both with Fr Stephen** so that the canonical (Church) and civil processes can be followed. At least six months' notice is ideal. Please make yourself known to Fr Stephen.

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, Fina Monastero, Michael Mulcahy, Paula Newton, Gill Parker, Jane Parker, John Sawyer, Gilly Schweigert, Arlene Slinn, 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.