

ST PETER'S PARISH & OUR LADY'S PARISH: *PART OF CATHOLIC LEAMINGTON*

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A: 13th September 2026

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DAY	AT ST PETER'S Dormer Place CV32 5AA	AT OUR LADY'S Valley Road CV32 7SJ	INTENTION
SUNDAY 13th 24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME EDUCATION SUNDAY	4:15 -45pm Confessions 5pm: Vigil Mass	~	Bridie O'Riordan RIP; Rev. Fr. Jacinto Ricardo Rodrigues RIP & Profina Dias E Cardosa RIP
	11:15am Sung Mass <i>Children's Liturgy</i>	9.15am Sung Mass <i>Children's Liturgy</i>	Deceased Members of the Prior Family Alfreda McHale RIP 1st Aniv.
Monday 14th <i>Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross</i>	No Mass	~	9.30am at St Joseph's, Whitnash
Tuesday 15th <i>Mem. of Our Lady of Sorrows</i>	9:30am Mass at St Ant Sch 12 noon Mass	~	Rev. Fr. Noel Breslin RIP Anniv.
Wednesday 16th <i>Mem. of Ss. Cornelius, P., and Cyprian Bp, Ms.</i>	~	9.30am Mass <i>at OL Sch</i> 12noon Mass	The People of the Parish Anne Godwin RIP
Thursday 17th <i>Opt. Mem. of St. Hildegard of Bingen, V., Dr. of the Church</i>	7.00am Mass: 40 Hrs Begins. <i>Timetable on back</i> 10am Mass		Stanley Wilfred Taylor RIP; Paddy Rochford RIP
Friday 18th <i>Feria</i>	7.00am Mass 10am Mass 3pm Divine Mercy Devs.		Eileen Webb very ill Marie Kennedy RIP
Saturday 19th <i>Opt. Mem. of St. Januarius, Bp., M.</i>	9am Holy Hour; 9:15 - 9:45am Confessions 10am Mass 4:15 -45pm Confessions 5pm: Vigil Mass 9.00pm Solemn Bene- diction: 40 Hrs Ends		Martin Lowry RIP; For Healing
SUNDAY 20th 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	11:15am Sung Mass <i>Children's Liturgy</i>		Sean Bell RIP Joe Gaughan RIP B'day Anniv. Irene Dias; Sheila Griffin RIP Anniv.

FORTY HOURS DEVOTION

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.



SCAN TO SEE THE
MASS READINGS

TEA & COFFEE

After both Sunday
Morning Masses in the
church halls

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



SEPTEMBER: MONTH OF THE HOLY CROSS
FAITHFUL CROSS, ABOVE ALL OTHER, ONE AND ONLY NOBLE
TREE.
OUR LADY OF SORROWS, PRAY FOR US!



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. A welcome also to students of Warwick University joining us. There is tea and coffee and conversation available after both Masses on Sundays in the hall.*

Sunday's Readings: Today's readings concentrate on loving forgiveness. Both the Old Testament reading and the Gospel speak of both our need for God's mercy and the need to be merciful to others. How can we hope in a forgiving God if we show no forgiveness ourselves? Jesus parable is a powerful statement of this, and a graphic reminder of our need to pray "forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us". As Jesus says, "Blessed are the merciful for they shall obtain mercy". Mercy is God's greatest gift; and we must not refuse it simply for ourselves just because we can't be forgiving to others. "Father, forgive them..." **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

MONDAY MASSES AT ST PETER'S: There will be **no Monday Masses at St Peter's** for the next few weeks. There are other changes to the usual routine for Masses this week, as shown on the front page. **Thank you for bearing with these temporary alterations.** As Fr Kevin is unwell, weekday Mass times will sometimes be altered because of our parish schools requesting additional Masses.

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

PASTIMES COMMUNITY HUB: Join us at Pastimes every Tuesday 11.30am-3pm in the church hall. Seated exercises, light lunch, games and a warm welcome to all

Anniversaries of the Faithful Departed: Patrick Kennedy, John Kehily, Maureen Brophy, Leopoldine Esslinger, David Scannell, Paula Hodgkinson, John Stephens, Elizabeth Burt, Zainab Lawless, Ita Edwards, Flora De Matteis, Helmut Jagusz, Brendan Donaghy, Stanley Godwin, Anne Usen, Christine Pryor, John Curran, John White, Rosaline Dobbin, Most Rev. Archbishop Dwyer, Very Rev. Cn. Peter McKenna, Very Rev. Cn. David Mellor, Rev. Fr. Guy Colman, Rev. Fr. Richard Dinnis, Rev. Fr. Patrick Meagher, Rev. Fr. Noel Breslin, Rev. Fr. William Oddie, Rev. Fr. Alan Holtham, Rev. Fr. Peter Lees, Rev. Fr. John Steward. **The Recently Deceased:** Jim Barry. **Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.**

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, "Tree" Marriott Dodington, Mario Fasi, Wilfrid Feely, Barbara Gekoski, Joan Gibbons, Joe Graham, Fr Kevin Hooper, Eileen Hiorns, Mist Johnson, David Kendall, John Kiernan, Una Maddocks, David Mander, Deborah Meades, Kate Miles, Fina Monastero, Michael Mulcahy, Paula Newton, Gill Parker, Jane Parker, Maria Phillips, John Sawyer, Gilly Schweigert, Arlene Slinn, Nell Smyth, Bridie Streeter, Jamie Sweeney, 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.**

STUDY & REFLECTION ON SUNDAY MASS READINGS: **Fridays 11am-12 noon.** Downstairs in SP main hall. All welcome. *Note change of venue till further notice.*

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

LEAMINGTON HERITAGE WEEKENDS 12-13 & 19-20 12 Sept. Both our churches will be taking part. St Peter's will be open as usual (that is, all day). Our Lady's will be open on both 13th and 20th between 2pm & 4pm.

FORTY HOURS EUCHARISTIC FESTIVAL AT ST PETER'S: 17-19 September. An extended opportunity to pray in the presence of Jesus in the Most Holy Sacrament of the altar. The timetable is on the back of this sheet. We invite people to sign up to commit to an hour (the Blessed Sacrament must not be left alone) on the website or on the sheets at the back of SP church. This is something new for St Peter's, but of course open to all. Come and pray! **All welcome.**

TAIZÉ PRAYER SERVICE: CHANGE OF VENUE Friday, 18 September at 7 pm at St Peter's as the last hour of Friday's exposition, part of the 40 Hours. **All welcome**

THE SEASON OF CREATION: In thanksgiving for God's creation and a reminder of our responsibilities towards it, each year we are called to use this time to reflect on creation. It begins on **1 Sept** and ends on St Francis of Assisi's day, **Oct 4**, the saint known for his love of creation.

COMING SOON

CAFOD HARVEST FAST DAY DAY: Fri 2 October

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 **Tuesday 6th Oct, 7.30pm** in Our Lady's church hall. Email Gareth at rcia.cathleam@gmail.com for more information.

JIM BARRY RIP: is being received into Our Lady's on 24 Sept at 5pm and His funeral is taking place at St. Peter's on 25 Sept 2026 at 1pm. Please pray for Jim and for his family. May he rest in peace.

YOUNG ADULT GROUP (YAG) 18-30: Welcome student new and returning for the new academic year! This month, on the 25th September at 7pm, there is a creative workshop session for the Young adult group. If you are aged 18-35 please feel free to come along and get creative. You can draw, paint,

write songs or stories. Resources will be provided along with refreshments and conversation, unless you prefer to work in silence! Pax Christi, Freya. Please contact me for interest or inquiries on WhatsApp 07565142204

JUMBLE SALE AT ST PETER'S: Saturday 26th September between 1-3:30pm. Donations of Jumble may be brought to Pastimes on Tuesdays or alternatively dropped into the Hall during Tea & Coffee on Sundays.

CURRY NIGHT AT OL: Saturday 26 September from 6pm, Tickets are £15 for adults and £8 for children. Come and sample delicious Asian cuisine alongside entertainment and a quiz. Tickets available after Mass at Our Lady's.

NEXT PARISH LUNCH AT ST PETER'S: Sunday 27th September after 11:15am Mass. The return of the Sunday Lunch, £15 for a 3 course meal and glass of wine. Please see signup sheet at the back of St. Peter's.

SPAN SOCIAL AT SP: on Fri 2nd Oct will hear from a Trustee of Children of the Dump in the Philippines and from Guy's Gift supporting local bereaved children. All welcome.

BINGO EVENING AT OL: Friday 9 October

ADOREMUS NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS: 10 October from 10.30am at St George's Cathedral Southwark, with exhibition, Mass and procession to Westminster Cathedral. See [Adoremus 2026 - Catholic Bishops' Conference](#) online.

FARMERS MARKET AT SP: Saturday 17 Oct 11:30am - 3pm

TEA DANCE AT SP FOR OL: Sun 18 Oct 2.15pm OL roof repairs

KINDAID JUST DESSERTS AT OL: Saturday 24 October

CHRISTMAS FAYRE AT SP: Saturday 14 November

CHRISTMAS FAYRE AT OL: Saturday 21 November

PARISH MISSION AT ST PETER'S AND OUR LADY'S IN 2027: 20-26 May with Fr Royston (and assistants) of the Redemptorists. There will be much planning needed and organisation doing of course. More information in due course

OTHER INFORMATION

ST PETER'S PLANNED GIVING CAMPAIGN LAST LENT:

Enough time has now passed to see its positive effects. Compared with the same period last year (Jan-Aug), we have 12 new Gift Aiders (allowing the parish to benefit from a 25% gift from the taxman). In terms of giving we are grateful that Gifted Aided giving has increased on average by £511 a month and non-Gift Aided giving by £413 a month. ***Thank you so much!*** Parishes are expected to pay their way (there is absolutely no money available from the diocese to help) and this is big help to covering our running costs and rebuilding our run down reserves.

ST PETER'S CAR PARK: Because the car park can be utterly jammed on Sundays, please take extra care whether a driver or pedestrian when moving about. Please be aware of any small children and of any moving vehicles.

SPONSORED WALKS FOR OUR LADY'S ROOF: Simon Tibke (Vice chair of the CPC), along with 2 other parishioners and parents of Our Lady and St Teresa's School, JP Canton and Chris Holroyd, successfully completed a sponsored walk from

St Chad's Cathedral, Birmingham to Our Lady's (via St Peter's) on Friday 21 Aug. **The total raised so far is £1,673.** The Donation page is still open - <https://gofund.me/414951f62> Many thanks

OUR LADY'S VISION: Our Lady's Vision and Action team say thank you to all who attended the ideas session for the Comms & Admin group last Sunday. Some good suggestions were put forward, which gives us plenty to work on and guide our work for the parish

SPARK YOUTH GROUP: are on their Summer break.

OUR LADY'S CHURCH SMALL CHANGE: collection for the roof. Collections of five pence pieces you will never complete, coins down the back of settee, half full piggy banks, small coins collecting dust, please bring and donate. There are coin jars in the lower hall and church. Thank you.

OUR LADY'S CHURCH BRING AND BUY TABLE: (Donation Station!) Please drop in your unused or no longer needed small gifts that someone else might like. Always available before and after Mass. Also paperbacks in nice condition. Thank you.

LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTIONS: 1st Coll. SP - £577.18, OL - £256.41, 2nd Coll. - SP (Ch. Maint.) - £346.29, OL (OL Vision) - £233.00. ***Thank you for your generosity.*** This week's second collection at both Churches is for: Catholic Education Service.

OL ROOF FUND FIGURE TO 3 JULY: The net total amount in the OL Roof Fund is: **£50,130.46.** The next update will be 6th September 2026. ***All tiles bought in 2026 will be doubled!***

Thank you for your generosity.

MASS INTENTIONS PLEASE NOTE: The Sunday 11:15am Mass at St. Peter's is now booked until mid-October, please consider another weekend Mass or a Mass during the week. The ***minimum amount of time*** needed to book dates is **2 weeks from date of request.**

7 DAY CANDLES: This week the Main Altar Candles burn: **In Memory of Babs Dunbar RIP.** Envelopes are at back of SP church. Please post in the collection at Mass with a donation of £5.

ALTAR SERVERS: ***We'd love more servers! See Bob at St Peter's, or Adrian at Our Lady's. Please don't hesitate to volunteer.*** Although a ministry children may perform, serving is for adults too.

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 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.

**WITH EUCHARISTIC MIRACLE
EXHIBITION IN THE HALL**

**40
Hours**

EUCCHARISTIC FESTIVAL

Experience the Power of Eucharistic Adoration

THURSDAY 17TH TO SATURDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER

DAILY SCHEDULE

Thursday 17th

7:00am Mass
7:30am Exposition
8:00am Morning Prayer
9:30am Rosary
9:55am Reposition
10:00am Mass
10:30am Exposition
11:30am Guided Holy Hour
1:00pm Midday Prayer
6:00pm Evening Prayer
6:30pm Rosary
8:00pm Reposition



Friday 18th

7:00am Mass
7:30am Exposition
8:00am Morning Prayer
9:30am Rosary
9:55am Reposition
10:00am Mass
10:30am Exposition
11:30am Guided Holy Hour
1:00pm Midday Prayer
3:00pm Divine Mercy Devotions
6:00pm Evening Prayer
6:30pm Rosary
8:00pm Reposition
*Now with Taizé music and
reflections 7-8pm*

Saturday 19th

7:00am Exposition
9:00-9:55am Confession
9:30am Morning Prayer
9:55am Reposition
10:00am Mass
10:30am Exposition
1:00pm Midday Prayer
3:00pm Guided Holy Hour
4-4:55pm Confession
4:55pm Reposition
5:00pm Mass
5:45pm Exposition
6:30pm Rosary
9:00pm Benediction

Scan to volunteer for an hour



St Peter Apostle



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