

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

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A: 27th 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 27th 26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	4:15 -45pm Confessions 5pm: Vigil Mass	~	John Smyth RIP B'day Anniv.
	11:15am Sung Mass Children's Liturgy	9.15am Sung Mass Children's Liturgy	Maureen Hayes RIP Solange Beccles RIP
Monday 28th <i>Opt. Mem. of St. Wenceslaus, M.</i>	~	~	9.30am at St Joseph's, Whitnash
Tuesday 29th Feast of Ss Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael, Archangels	10am Mass with some of the pupils of St Patricks and St Peter's schs.	~	Slawek's Intentions
Wednesday 30th <i>Mem. of St. Jerome, P., Dr.</i>	~ 5:30pm Reception	10am Mass	Anne & Larry Connor's Ints. Mary Curran RIP
Thursday 1st October Mem. of St. Therese of the Child Jesus, V., Dr.	1pm Mass		Requiem: Mary Curran RIP
Friday 2nd <i>Mem. of the Holy Guardian Angels</i>	10am Mass 3pm Divine Mercy Devs.	~	Maria Phillips RIP
Saturday 3rd <i>Opt. Mem. of St. Thomas Cantilupe, Bp.</i>	9am Holy Hour; 9:15 - 9:45am Confessions 10am Mass 4:15 -45pm Confessions 5pm: Vigil Mass	~	Jim Barry RIP
SUNDAY 4th 27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	11:15am Sung Mass Children's Liturgy	9.15am Sung Mass Children's Liturgy	Sue Maher RIP Mary Harding RIP Anita Elizabeth Bunch-Deane RIP; Maria Alice Spencer

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.colc.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!



Anniversaries of the Faithful Departed: Mary McCann, James McGivern, Sean Hogan, Beryl Hartnett, Rowan Fitzgerald, Kathleen Briddon, Hilda Jones, Rev. Mgr. Michael McTernan, Rev. Mgr. Henry Farrelly, Very Rev. Cn. Peter Reilly, Rev. Fr. Gordon Bancks, Rev. Fr. Paul Orchard, Rev. Fr. Edward Cotter, Rev. Fr. Laurence Daly, Rev. Fr. Denis Egan, Rev. Fr. William McGann, Rev. Fr. John Nightingale, Rev. Fr. John Dunbar, Rev. Fr. John Bullen. **The Recently Deceased:** Mary Cullen, Mary Curran, Sarah Fisk, Maria Phillips, Jim Barry, Rev. Fr. Christopher Fitzpatrick, Rev. Mr. Bernard Curtin. **Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.**

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, 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: It is not simply lip service and relying on the past that will put us right with God. Jesus shocks his hearers by telling them that sinners will be entering the Kingdom before them. A sinner's repentance and giving up of their previous ways will gain God's favour. What matters—as the first reading points out too—is what's happening now. Past sins can be repented of and forgiven so that even the worst sinner may make a fresh start. But a life time of good deeds will count as nothing for the one who gives all that up to embrace sin. God's justice is about us, now! **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.

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

STUDY & REFLECTION ON SUNDAY MASS READINGS: Fridays 11am-12 noon. Downstairs in SP main hall. All welcome.

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

THE SEASON OF CREATION: It began on 1 Sept and ends on St Francis of Assisi's day, Oct 4, the saint known for his love of creation.

CAFOD HARVEST FAST DAY: Fri 2 October The annual second collection for CAFOD will take place at Masses on 3 and 4 Oct.

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.

COMING SOON

COME AND SEE (RCIA): Interested in becoming a Catholic? Our Annual **Come and See** sessions begin Tue 6 Oct, 7.30pm in Our Lady's church hall. Email Gareth at rcia.cathleam@gmail.com for more info.

BINGO EVENING AT OL: Friday 9 October. See poster for more info

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](https://www.adoremus2026.org/) online.

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

BLESSED FULTON SHEEN: Last Thursday, the great American bishop Fulton Sheen was beatified. Many will have known him for his huge

skills in broadcasting, bringing the Catholic Faith to millions through TV and being one of the US's most popular broadcasters. May his prayers help us all witness to truth today.

FR KEVIN is due to have the plaster removed from his leg this Tuesday. Please pray for a continuing recovery as he gets back on his feet. He will be staying in Coleshill for another two weeks or so.

FINAL CALL FOR SPONSORS: Sponsored walk for Our Lady's Roof Repairs It is now a month since 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, completed a sponsored walk from St Chad's Cathedral, Birmingham to Our Lady's, Lillington (via St Peter's). It was 10.5 hours of walking, with just over 28.5 miles completed. So far we have raised about £1700!! Link will be closed at the end of September- <https://gofund.me/414951f62> (or we still accept cash!!) Many thanks for all your support.

SPAN: sent £ 500 to the Nepal Flooding appeal through CAFOD. Thank you for your support.

ST PETER'S CHILDREN'S LITURGY: **urgently needs helpers**, not leaders to run things but responsible adults to assist the leaders in supervising and helping the children during the liturgy. Please volunteer to the leaders Shirvin, Anna-Marie or Yvonne, or Fr Stephen.

Help is truly needed! **Please help**

OUR LADY'S CHURCH SMALL CHANGE: collection for the roof. Still time to donate change. Thank you.

OUR LADY'S CHURCH BRING AND BUY TABLE: (Donation Station!)

Please drop in your unused or no longer needed small gifts and paperbacks that someone else might like. Thank you.

LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTIONS: 1st Coll. SP - £602.35, OL - £293.46, 2nd Coll. - SP (Cath. Evangelisation) - £280.51, OL (Cath. Evangelisation) - £207.93. **Thank you for your generosity.** This week's second collection at both Churches is for: Fr. Hudson's Society.

OL ROOF FUND FIGURE TO 31 AUGUST: The net total amount in the OL Roof Fund is: **£57,227.12**. The *next update* will be 4th October 2026. *All tiles bought in 2026 will be doubled!* **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**.

7 DAY CANDLES: This week the **Main Altar** candles burns: **In Memory of Mary Curran RIP** and **In Memory of Margaret Dunne RIP Birthday Anniversary**. The **Our Lady Chapel** candle burns: **In Memory of Sue Maher 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.

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, Fr Kevin Hooper, Eileen Hiorns, Mist Johnson, David Kendall, John Kiernan, Wilf Lawson, Una Maddocks, David Mander, "Tree" Marriott-Dodington, Catherine McCurdy, Deborah Meades, Kate Miles, Fina Monastero, Michael Mulcahy, Bernadette Naylor, Paula Newton, Gill Parker, Jane Parker, John Sawyer, 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.**