ST PETER'S PARISH & OUR LADY'S PARISH: *PART OF CATHOLIC LEAMINGTON*
11th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A: 14th June 2026

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DAY	*AT ST PETER'S* Dormer Place CV32 5AA	*AT OUR LADY'S* Valley Road CV32 7SJ	*INTENTION*
SUNDAY 14th ***11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME***	4:15 -45pm Confessions **5pm: Vigil Mass *St Anthony's School First Communion***	~	In Thanksgiving
	11:15am Sung Mass *Children's Liturgy*	**9.15am Sung Mass** *Children's Liturgy*	Maureen Chatfield RIP Richard Power RIP Aniv; Mr. S. A. A. Jafri RIP
Monday 15th *Feria, Week 11 of Ordinary Time, Yr 2*	10am Mass	~	The Smith Family's Intention
Tuesday 16th *Opt. Mem. of St. Richard of Chichester, Bp*	10am Mass	~	Joan Barry RIP
Wednesday 17th *Feria*	~	**6pm Mass**	Michael & Glynis Thompson
Thursday 18th ***Feast of the Dedication of the Cathedral***	**6pm Mass**	~	Michael Sandy RIP
Friday 19th *Opt. Mem. of St.. Romuald, Ab.*	10am Mass 3pm Divine Mercy Devotions	~	Raymond Burke's Recovery
Saturday 20th *Opt. Mem. of St. Alban, M.*	9am Holy Hour, 9:15 -45am Confessions, 10am Mass	~	Ints. of Freya & Ewan McLinden
	4:15 -45pm Confessions **5pm: Vigil Mass**	~	Rev. Fr. Noel Breslin RIP
SUNDAY 21st ***12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME***	**11:15am Sung Mass** *Children's Liturgy*	**9.15am Sung Mass** *Children's Liturgy*	Holy Souls John Forman RIP Aniv.

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: William Egan, Bridget Mahony, Michael Dowling, Jeremy Moore, Lee Neale, Kenneth Miller, Valerie O'Sullivan, Ellen Quinn, Margaret Henderson-Gill, Michael Connolly, George Sullivan, Alice Scannell, Denis Meade, Rosemary Matthews, Ann Wright, Tina Reynolds, Rev. Mgr. Peter Stonier, Rev. Fr. Joseph Lanny, Rev. Fr. Joseph Davenport, Rev. Fr. John Harrington, Rev. Fr. Laurence Jones, Rev. Fr. Hubert Mooney, Rev. Fr. George Smith, Rev. Fr. Eric Morgan, Rev. Fr. Geoffrey Tucker, Rev. Fr. Bernard Garratt.
The recently deceased: Ruth Tetlow, Mervyn Leach, Denis Buckley, Maureen Chatfield. ***Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.***

SCAN TO SEE THE MASS READINGS

TEA & COFFEE
After both 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

JUNE: MONTH OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS!
MAKE OUR HEARTS LIKE UNTO THINE!

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. There is tea and coffee and conversation available after both Masses on Sundays in the hall.*

Sunday's Readings: We can all dream about being powerful enough to change the world. Sometimes that dreaming stops us seeing the changes for the good we could make in our lives, in our families or among friends. Equally, it can stop us seeing the real power that Jesus has given to His disciples. The power to defeat evil, to cure the sick, raise the dead… who would not wish for that kind of power? God in Jesus wants to see the defeat of evil and the triumph of good and so He gives us power to do something about that. That power is faith, and flowing from it the gift of love. A world of faith and love—that would be a powerful change indeed, yet we too often see that as a sentimental woolly hope. But if we think for a moment about the violence and injustice in the world, it could all be overcome by a living faith that loves God and neighbour. That has to start with us as individuals. It is simply hypocrisy to condemn hatred among nations and peoples far away if we cannot bring ourselves to love neighbours and family next door! For the world to live at peace, individuals must too. This is at the heart of what the Kingdom of God—which the apostles are sent out to proclaim—means. The kingdom is where God's will is done: may that start in our hearts and homes. How can it spread to the world of it doesn't?
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

ST ANTHONY'S SCHOOL FIRST COMMUNION: This Saturday at the 5pm Mass. Please pray for the children and their families.

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

PASTIMES COMMUNITY HUB: on **Tuesday 12-3pm** in SP Hall. Come and play or learn to play Whist in St. Peters Hall, sessions at 1:30pm.

OL 100 CLUB: Congratulations to the winners for the 100 club in April - 1st prize £25 Vicky Cowles (no 257). 2nd prize Ellie Sutcliffe (no 87)May winners were 1st prize £25 Doris Dunbar (no 24). 2nd prize £15 Ray O'Sullivan (no 112).

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!
LEAMINGTON PEACE FESTIVAL: Peace Festival 13-14 June. returns this year with new organisers. St Peter's will be open as usual over the weekend.
FIRST on 13 JUNE St Peter's will be a quiet space, for prayer, a quiet chat for those who would like it. The Justice and Peace group will have card signing for prisoners of conscience, from 12 till 4:30pm.There will also be an opportunity to sign cards after Masses at St Peter's. The prisoners are on a list supplied by Action by Christians against Torture. Sending a card of support is a gesture we can make to show our concern and try to give hope to people who are battling authoritarian regimes, held with out fair trial. Do look in when you come down and please sign a card.
SECOND on 14 JUNE We pray for peace to the Prince of Peace! There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament beginning once Mass has ended and things have been set up, until 6pm. We as the people of God, ask for what only Christ, the Prince of Peace can provide, peace not as the world gives. Let us pray before Him in His presence that His peace may indeed be established.

COMING SOON

EVENING FOR LEADERS OF CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD - 24 JUNE All our Children's Liturgy helpers in both parishes should be aware of this event which aims to inspire leaders of children's liturgy across the Banbury & Warwick Deanery. The session will be delivered by Carol Ann Harnett, a catechist with over 40 years experience of forming children and adults in the faith. Refreshments will be provided from 7pm.
Details: **7.15pm Wed 24 June - St Francis of Assisi Parish Centre**,110 Warwick Road, **Kenilworth** CV8 1HL Contact Fr David: canon.david.hartley@rcaob.org.uk or 01926 772 712

SPARK YOUTH GROUP: The next meeting of our Youth Group for school years 5,6,7 and 8 is Thursday **25 June** in the Dormer Centre. The other meetings before summer are **16 July**.

KINDAID TEA PARTY: Our Lady's, **Sunday 28 June 3pm with music**.

SUNDAY LUNCH: Sunday 28 June after the 11:15am Mass in SP Hall. 3 course Sunday dinner for £15 including a glass of wine. Please see the sign up sheet at the back of SP Church to book your place.

WE BELIEVE FESTIVAL 24-27 July at Oscott College. **WeBelieve** festival brings thousands together to encounter Jesus Christ in His Church. It's an unmissable opportunity to discover the traditions and charisms that flow through the Church, to grow in authentic community, and to encounter the transforming love of God. Join us from 24-27 July, 2026 at the historic and beautiful setting of St Mary's College, Oscott for a feast of the True, the Good and the Beautiful. See https://www.webelievefestival.com/ It is hoped to organise a coach for local parishes.

PILGRIMAGE TO ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI KENILWORTH In this year of St Francis, on 25th July we are planning pilgrimages from St Mary's, Warwick, St Peter's Leamington and Our Lady's Lillington to St Francis' in Kenilworth. You will be able to join a group walking from one of the churches, or be collected en route. If this sounds too far there will be a group walking from Abbey Fields to St Francis. The pilgrimages will be completed with a Mass at 17:30.
If you would like to take part please register your interest, including your chosen starting point, by emailing Richard at rstaveley118@gmail.com or by calling 07535 933 786.

WARWICK MARYRS' ANNUAL WALK TO GALLOWS HILL: This year is on **Sunday 16 August**. We mark their fearless faith and martyrdom at the spot they were killed, and ask their prayers for our parishes today.

OTHER INFORMATION

PARISHES' AGM: Thank you to all who attended the parishes'' second ever AGM last weekend. It was good to share news, facts and figures and to reflect positively on the past and plan hopefully for the future. The documents that were presented are now all on the Catholic Leamington website, at the bottom of the newsletter page. **Thanks also** to those who served refreshments, set up the hall at

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, Timothy Dawson, Mario Fasi, Wilfrid Feely, Barbara Gekoski, Joan Gibbons, Joe Graham, 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.

Our Lady's and made all the preparations beforehand: thank you all.

MAUREEN CHATFIELD RIP: Maureen was a devoted and faithful parishioner at Our Lady's who will be missed by us all. She was part of so much of the parish's life and fought her illness bravely for many years. Maureen will be received into Our Lady's Church at **5pm on Tue 23 June** and her **Funeral Mass** will be at **10am on Weds 24**. Her good friend Fr Benedict Skipper, former curate, will celebrate the Mass. Please pray for her and for her family.

CARD READING MACHINE AT OUR LADY'S: Thanks to a kind parishioners offer to cover the costs we shall be acquiring a card machine.

ST PETER'S HALL: The management Group **would love some help**. Currently the group are encouraging bookings so that the hall may run at a surplus. Please see Mary Curran or call Roger Elson on 07873 869 092. They are also looking at various ideas to meet the building's maintenance needs, and would love practical help to keep the hall and area round it clean and tidy, as well as to bring these ideas into fully developed and costed plans.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: This happens Sunday mornings at both parishes. It is an opportunity for small children below the age of First Holy Communion to explore the readings of the day in ways suited to their age. All children who have yet received Communion are welcome, and with their parents if they prefer.

OL COMMUNICATIONS GROUP: (part of the Vison and Action initiative) invite anyone with marketing experience to help us on our OL communications plan. We have a draft just looking for some professional input. Please contact David Burton on 07713 246987.

ART COMPETITION!: Would you like to create a painting or drawing based on the beautiful windows at Our Lady's? Entrants are invited to paint, draw, create a collage, or any form of artwork (except photography), reflecting the beauty of the windows. Winners will be chosen by a panel and all artwork will be displayed in church during the Heritage Open Days in September. There is a small entrance fee for each age group (7 and under, 8 to 15 and over 15) to raise money towards the roof repairs. For more details and an entry form, email maryrouse@rocketmail.com. **Closing date is 26 July.**

YOUNG ADULT GROUP (YAG) 18-30: text **Freya 07565 142204 (WhatsApp)** or connect via Instagram **@catholicleamingtonyag**

LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTIONS: 1st Coll. SP: £386.10, OL: £169.96. 2nd Coll. SP (Church Maintenance): £291.64, OL (OL Vision): £210.30. 2nd Collections this week at SP: Church Maintenance, OL: OL Vision. ***Thank you for your generosity.***

OL ROOF FUND FIGURE TO 7 JUNE: The net total amount in the OL Roof Fund is: **£46,898.99.** The *next update* will be 5 July 2026. *All tiles bought in 2026 will be doubled!* ***Thank you for your generosity.***

COLLECTION COUNTERS NEEDED: please speak to Fr Stephen or email the parish if you can help—or for more information.

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 **St. Joseph Altar Candle** burns: **In Thanksgiving (HM)**. This week the **Sacred Heart Candle** burns for: **Wladyslaw Reszka RIP Birthday Aniversary**. Envelopes are at back of SP church. Please post in the collection at Mass with a donation of £5.

PASTORAL COUNCIL: Details of members are in the churches porches or email martinfoley73@gmail.com. Raise any point you wish.

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

POPE LEO'S FIRST ENCYCLICAL: The Holy Father had published his first encyclical *Magnifica Humanitas* (Magnificent Humanity). It is a wonderful affirmation of the dignity of humanity, set against Catholic social teaching and the work of his predecessor Leo XIII who defended the rights of working people in the age of industrialisation. (See his encyclical *Rerum Novarum*). Pope Leo reflects on the rise of Artificial Intelligence, its power for good as well as ill, and he urges us to be 'weavers of hope'. His last paragraph runs 'With the same faith as Mary, let us become "weavers of hope" in our world, sharing who we are and what we have, so that the presence of Jesus may grow among us and his Kingdom take shape. In the humble fidelity of daily life, even the era of AI can become a time in which the Holy Spirit brings about the civilization of love in our lives. Indeed, the Lord continues to make all things new and offers every era the possibility of becoming part of salvation history in the light of the Incarnation. I entrust our desire to the Mother of Christ, to the Woman of the Magnificat, that she may guide our steps through this time of change and preserve in each of us true faith in the Gospel, so that we may bear witness to the grandeur of humanity, in which God has made his dwelling'. You may see the full text here: Encyclical Letter of His Holiness Leo XIV Magnifica Humanitas (15 May 2026)

JUSTICE & PEACE GROUP: Prayer intention for June: that all Christians may love, welcome, protect and integrate refugees and people seeking asylum as our neighbours.

SPAN: Every month we help local causes including our Foodbanks, New Chapters giving practical support challenging addiction, Young People First with counselling. Thanks for your support.

INTERESTED IN TRAINING AND VOLUNTEERING AS A RELATIONSHIP COUNSELLOR? Marriage Care is a Catholic organisation specialising in relationship support and we are currently looking for those who are empathetic, understanding and have an enthusiasm for supporting adult relationships, to train on our Certificate in Relationship Counselling (CRC) and volunteer with us. This is a great opportunity to make a real difference to couples and families. Please note that there are costs associated with training on our CRC. These costs are far lower than with alternative training providers. In line with our ethos as a charity, no one is excluded on the basis of their ability to pay. To find out more please visit: www.marriagecare.org.uk or email: volunteer@marriagecare.org.uk

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.