

CATHOLIC LEAMINGTON: Eighteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time (B)

Sunday 1st August 2021

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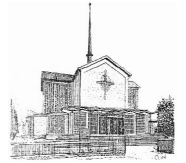
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St Joseph's

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Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00: May Murphy's Intentions

1:00: Wedding: Fiona Baxter & Kieran Kelly

5:30: People of the Parish

Monday 2nd

7:00: Michael Smedley RIP

Tuesday 3rd

9:30: Masie Foley's Intentions

Thursday 5th

7:00: Ron Forbes Birthday

Friday 6th

9:30: James McGarvey RIP Anniversary

Saturday 7th

9:30: Roisin, Tommy & Malachy Blair and Peter A. Watts

11:00: Baptism: Leo Dennehy

Sunday 8th

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00: James McGarvey RIP Anniversary

11:30: Baptism: Jacob Cleary

5:30: Vincent Duffy RIP

St Peter's & Our Lady's

Saturday 31st July-

SP 9:30: Local CLC Groups

OL: 5:00: Patrick & Josie Lee 50th Wedding Anniversary

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SP 9:00: Daniel Warburton RIP

SP 11:00: Antonio Quirino Spencer

Monday 2nd

SP 9:30: Agnes Rosdiana

Tuesday 3rd

SP 11:00: Ellen Barrow RIP

Wednesday 4th

OL 12:00: Molly Smith

Thursday 5th

SP: 11:00: The Wivell Family

Friday 6th

SP: 11:00: Sunarjoy Family

Saturday 7th

SP 9:30: Joe Hegarty RIP

OL: 5:00: Paul Chatfield RIP

Sunday 8th

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SP 9:00: Joan Sweeney

SP 11:00: Sheila Collins RIP

Saints of the week

Saturday 31st July

Memorial of St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest

Monday 1st August

Opt. Memorial of St. Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop

Opt. Memorial of St. Peter Julian Eymard, Priest

Wednesday 4th

Memorial of St. John Mary Vianney, Priest

Thursday 5th

Opt. Memorial of the Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary

Friday 6th

Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord

Saturday 7th

Opt. Memorial of St. Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions,

Martyrs

Opt. Memorial of St. Cajetan, Priest

The Churches will be open 30 minutes before Mass during the Week for Private Prayer. Please see the front page for Mass times.

Confessions:

St. Peter's: Saturdays: 10:00 - 10:30

Our Lady's: After Mass if a priest is available.

St Joseph's : On Request

Anniversaries of the faithful departed: David Pugh, Daniel Ryan, Rosa Adamo, Mary Pettipher, Frances Booth, Vincent Russell, Frank Rowley, Mary Woolley, Jimmy Crowley, Eugene Mellon, William Kelly, Ronald Jones, Minnie Stack, Yvonne Leahy, Mary Russell, Maurice Sheehan, George Kajkowski, James McGarvey, Canon Arthur Diamond, Fr. Richard Lynch CO, Fr. David Ford, Fr. Cuthbert Brown, Deacon John Leach, Fr. James Gough, Fr. Francis Gwinnett. **Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, Rest in Peace. Amen**

Items for the newsletter should be sent by 1 pm Wednesday to stpeterapostle.leamington@rcaob.org.uk
Or St Joseph's stjoseph.whitnash@rcaob.org.uk

Our prayers for the Sick: , Joe Graham, Flor Duckett, Denis O'Halloran, Caleb O'Neill, Anne Kirby, Anne Fraser, Bridie Daly, John Curran, Peter Curran, Rev Graham Coles, Portia Brightburn, Cyril Sheard, Giovanni Allurlino, Edward Behan, Pam Brambles, Mary Craig, Mario Fasi, Eileen Hiorns, Estelle Holmes, John Ireson, Mist Johnson, David Kendall, Mgr Christopher Lightbound, Antonina La Spisa, Nathaniel Manning, Kate Miles, Paula Newton, Jim Olexa, Fr Malcolm Prince, Ann Reilly, Marie-Clare Banner, Patricia Robinson, Peggy Rowlands, Marjorie Smedley, Terena Tam, Terry Tam, George Wall, Elizabeth Weston, Peter Wright & all those at home, or in the nursing homes & hospitals of the Parish.

Lord Jesus, watch over all who suffer and are in pain. Bless all those who care for them.

St Peter's & Our Lady's

Dear Parishioners,

This week I would like to request the help of parishioners and friends of St Peter's to look after the church and the site. I am looking for volunteers to take on these much needed responsibilities because the people who previously cared for these tasks are now too old to help. This is about the parish community taking an interest in and caring for the Church where you worship. St Peter's is one of the biggest Catholic Churches for miles around and needs plenty of TLC. I can provide the basics but my role is first and foremost to be a priest who cares for his flock.

St Peter's Parish Vacancies

1. Health and Safety Representatives.

One of the many responsibilities of the Parish Priest is to look after buildings and to make sure we comply with the various policies and requirements of the Diocese in terms of management and safety. We now use a system called Xcenta which provides the H&S representative in the parish with all the information needed. Each Parish has its own H & S representative(s) to take on this responsibility on behalf of the Parish Priest. The role would suit a lay person, someone who is semi-retired or retired and has an eye for detail as well as an interest in maintenance and DIY. The candidate would not be required to do any maintenance but be able to tick off a schedule of what has or hasn't been done and help to make sure the Church is a safe place for Parishioners and their Priest. There are some short films which give further information. If you think you can help please contact me. Ideally I would like 2 or 3 people to work on this together or subdivide the role so that it is not too onerous. You need to have a computer and computer skills.

2. Piety Shop Manager

This time of year, we normally start to look at our stock and sort out our orders for the Piety Shop. Putting our stock onto the table at the back of the church has made quite a difference and certainly our sales have been much better over the past few months. I would be grateful if someone could help out. I normally do this myself but what I would like is someone who might help to share this responsibility with me. The person or persons would need to have a home computer and be able to use email. This might suit 2 friends. We could also do with some volunteers to help before and after our Sunday Masses.

3. Sacristan

With 2 or 3 priests celebrating Mass and the sacraments it would be good if someone could help to keep the sacristy tidy and help to keep the vestments clean.... **Continued Page 3**

St Joseph's

The Church now is open to the Public for all Masses

All Masses will be Live Streamed

Confessions will be heard on request.

Our Lady's 7 Day Candle Intentions for 2021: Dates are now available from 19th September onwards, please place your request together with your donation (£5.00) through the Presbytery letterbox.



This week
Our Lady's
Seven Day
Candle
burns for **The
Intentions of May
Murphy**

Appeal For Volunteers: For general church cleaning. Since COVID the team has disbanded due to age and family circumstances. So we need to form a new team; age no problem if you can spare the time, 1 or 2 hours every couple of weeks will keep the church sparkling.

If you think you can help in any way contact Margaret tel. 07909 584847 or see Fr. Noel.

****Missio Red Boxes:** Please leave your Red Missio boxes in the Sacristy during July, for their quarterly emptying**
Wedding: Congratulations to **Fiona Baxter & Kieran Kelly** who are being married at St. Joseph's today

200 Club: Congratulations to Kim Pope and J O'Connor, who won the 1st (£50) and 2nd (£30) prizes in July's 200 Club draw. The next collection and draw will take place on Sunday, 8th August. All the profits go to the Church's Building Fund and will be put towards the major repairs due on the Church and Parish Hall.

The recently deceased of our churches:

Pete Wright, Pat Henderson, Margaret Copson, Michelle Blackband, Richard King, Edmund Piper, Hannah O'Sullivan, Tina Reynolds.

May they rest in peace.

The Seven Day Candles: are a great way to provide a devotion to a loved one or for your own intention. The 7 day candles are designed to display the presence of God in the Church. If you would like to book a 7 day candle for your intentions please collect an envelope at the back of Church, suggested donation is £10.00 and return it, either in the collection or via St. Peter's Presbytery door. Thank you.

New Parish Facebook Account

We have a new Facebook account for the Church to visit:

: <https://www.facebook.com/RCatholicLeamington>

Mass Availability at St. Peter's

St. Peter's cannot take any more Mass Intentions for the 11am Mass on Sundays, all these Masses in 2021 have an intention. We are very pleased to receive intentions, but **please do not request the 11am Mass on Sunday for the time being.** Thank you.

St Peter's & Our Lady's

SAFEGUARDING: St Peter's Theresa Goh or Susan Chan email safeguarding.splsps@gmail.com, **Our Lady's** Claire Walsh 01926 430070; **St Joseph's** Honor Hynes email safeguarding.stjosephs@gmail.com. The **Archdiocese Safeguarding Team** can be contacted on 0121 230 6240. An independent support group for survivors of abuse free tel. 0808 801 0331.

Dear Parishioners Continued: Sacristan: The person might be semi-retired or retired or be able to pop over in the evening. The vestments are dry cleaned, the books and various texts need to be kept tidy and equipment in good order. An interest in the church liturgy would be helpful and training will be given.

4. General Helpers / gardeners

There are many little jobs which need to be done to keep the outside of the church looking presentable and keeping an eye on things. The exterior of the building needs someone to keep an eye on it and keep the car park looking tidy. There are lots of areas which need to be tidied up. We have someone who cuts the grass but the rest of the foliage in the garden needs a good trim. If anyone could spare a couple of hours during the holidays, I would be extremely grateful because it is getting too much for me to deal with. I would like to redesign the front gardens and make them more user friendly. Anyone who is keen on garden design might like to give me a few ideas. If we had a few drawings.

5. Church cleaners

We are always looking for helpers to clean the church. We have all the equipment in terms of vacuum cleaners, dusters etc but would be grateful for a few helpers to perhaps take responsibility for certain parts of the church. E.g. the statues, the Baptistry and the side altars, the choir loft and steps. The carpets. There is quite a heavy footfall of parishioners and visitors, and it is nice to welcome people into a church which is clean and welcoming.

Parish Youth Ministry

It is time to say farewell to Emma Rayment who has led the Youth Ministry in Catholic Leamington for many years. Emma has taken her ministry into the local primary schools, working with parish volunteers in the youth club as well as booking many external events such as It's a Knockout, the summer camps and events at Alton Castle and many activities for our younger parishioners. Emma has been working part-time as a Lay Chaplain at Trinity School and will continue with the role with the Chaplaincy Team.

What next ?

The parish youth initiative has been a successful part of the parish ministry over the past few years. We have enjoyed the leadership of Erin and Emma as well as the support of many helpers. Good contacts have been built up with the local feeder schools. The group itself caters for young people who attend our schools in the local area. During the various lockdowns the group have met via zoom and more recently in Victoria Park. Now we hope to return to meetings using a variety of ways : Zoom, out of doors, in doors using the parish halls when they re-open.

PARISH YOUTH MINISTRY CONSULTATION

Parishioners young, old and somewhere in between I would like to listen to your thoughts about the parish youth ministry.

Young People : are you or have been a member of our youth group. What did you like or dislike? Do you have any suggestions or ideas? Where would you like to meet ?

Parents : Why is the youth group important for you ? Did you attend a youth club? What would you like your children to do? Should the youth leader be a paid person or a volunteer.

Grandparents : How can we help our young people to learn about, express and enjoy their Christian faith ?

Youth club volunteers: Could you explain your involvement with this or perhaps other youth clubs? Please give me any comments or idea about what you would like to see?

Parishioners : how should the youth group interact with the parish ? How would you be willing to support the Youth group? Would you be able to help with the financial support of the club? Sometimes we need to hire a coach which can cost £400 for a day. Would you be willing to give some money to pay for a youth leader?

email: fr.john.cross@rcaob.org.uk

letter: Fr John Cross. Parish Priest .

The Presbytery, 3A Dormer Place, Leamington Spa. CV32 5AA .

You can post your letter through the Presbytery letter box.

If you can help in any way your support would be greatly appreciated.

Every Blessing,

Fr. John

St Peter's & Our Lady's

Fr. Benedict's Homily: Fr. Benedict's homilies can be accessed each week from his website frbenedict.blog

The Bread of Life Discourse: Over the few Sundays, the Church presents to us the sixth chapter of Saint John's Gospel. I am going to take this opportunity to preach on a different aspect of the Eucharist each week:

The real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist.

How we should prepare ourselves to approach the Eucharist.

The Eucharist as a foretaste of heaven.

The Eucharist as communion.

I will be making each of these homilies available online. If you would like to listen to them, follow this link: frbenedict.blog

Can you support your priests with an occasional Mass intention?: If you would like to have Mass celebrated for an intention, please fill out one of the small brown envelopes found at the back of Church, enclose your offering (£10 is sufficient), and place it in the collection or post it through the Presbytery letterbox. The 11am Sunday Mass at St Peters is booked up until November, so please consider asking for 'any Mass', or a Mass which is not 11am on a Sunday

Job Opportunity : Our Lady's and St. Teresa's Infant and Primary School situated at Windmill Hill, Cubbington is looking for a cleaner. Please contact Debbie Enstone for further information. Tel. 01926 424420

Our Lady and St. Teresa's School Foundation Governor: OLST School are looking for a Foundation Governor to help guide the school during this academic year, if you would like more information please contact the Parish Office on 01926 423824 and leave a message

Governors needed: Following last weeks item in the newsletter, if you would like to find out more about being a school governor, please speak to me. This is an important role in the life of our parish communities. I can be contacted by email

(fr.benedict.skipper@rcaob.org.uk) or by phone (423824). Not only is the contribution of governors invaluable but you would, I am sure, benefit from taking on this position. You will be inspired by the work that takes place in our schools. Thank you for your consideration of this, and please do be in touch. God bless you, Fr Benedict

New to Catholic Leamington?: If you have joined us since February 2020 please register with us using the website:

catholicleamington.org.uk Go to WELCOME and then WELCOMING GROUP to complete the email enquiry. If you have no computer access, please phone Peter Dimambro of the Welcoming Group on 01926 428 399.

The Catholic Leamington Justice and Peace Rosary intention for July is: "We pray that young people may have the inspiration and courage to build a better World".

Something Greater: Catholic Leamington is starting an important initiative called 'Something Greater'. Please take home with you a prayer bookmark available on your way out of church. Consider giving one to another Catholic who may not be attending church.

Something Greater Prayer: Loving Father, as Covid restrictions ease, we pray for our 'Something Greater' initiative. As we reach out to others, give us the wisdom to know how to communicate in a way that will attract them to our Parish community in Worship and Fellowship. May we be alert to ways of encouraging them in their Faith journey. We Make this Prayer through Our Lord Jesus Christ Your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God for ever and ever, Amen.

Saturday Friendship Group - Volunteers needed sfg is in partnership with the Salvation Army Way Ahead Project to provide for those living on the margins in our own town. Now we are moving towards normal working, **more volunteers are needed 9.30 - 12.30** any day, but **particularly on Saturday** at the centre in Church Street. More information is on the website www.catholicleamington.org.uk > Social Action > sfg : <https://www.catholicleamington.org.uk/saturday-friendship-group-homelessness.html> Contact cl.sfg1@gmail.com or phone 07811882746 Thank you.

LIVE SIMPLY PARISH. We are working with *Recycling for good causes* to raise funds for CAFOD. Please see the July Extra bulletin for more details. The Collection box is now in place in Our Lady's church (at the back ,near the side door) awaiting any items that you can unearth. There are leaflets available there explaining what items we need .Briefly - old mobile phones, cameras ,satnavs, jewellery, iPods/mp3 players , games consoles and games , any old currency , used postage stamps , tablet computers (**not laptops**) **Any condition accepted - even broken** Visit www.recyclingforgoodcauses.org

Summer Picnic: As Covid restrictions ease, we in Catholic Leamington can now look to start building up our community. We are having a picnic in the Pump Room Gardens opposite St Peter's after 11am Mass on Sunday 15th August [if weather is poor it will be on 22nd]. Bring a chair, your own food and any games for grass if you wish.

CAFOD: Thanks to all who signed the petition cards or took them home to send at the 11am Mass last week. THIS WEEK they will be available after the 9.00 Mass at St Peter's. You can always sign online of course at cafod.org.uk/cop26petition. Also from www.catholicleamington.org.uk/CAFOD

The Catholic Leamington Justice & Peace: rosary intention for August is 'We pray that all young people may be refreshed and reinvigorated in the holidays'