

CATHOLIC LEAMINGTON: Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 7th November 2021

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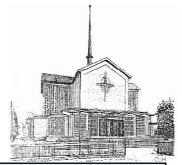
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St Joseph's

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9:00: Robert Lawson RIP

5:30: Holy Souls;

For those that have died during the Pandemic, Healthcare & Frontline Workers and all that supported our Communities in the last 18 months.

Monday 8th

7:00: Paul & Iris Hinton

Tuesday 9th

9:30: June Arran RIP 1st Anniversary;
Eugene McGarrell RIP

Thursday 11th

7:00: Cees, Alice Van Geffon

Friday 12th

9:30: Deceased Members of the Urbanski & Biddle families;
Richard Cotter's Intentions

Saturday 13th

9:30: John & Christine Lapworth
11:00: Pauline Shakeshaft nee Kelly RIP

Sunday 14th

Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00: People of the Parish;

All the deceased of the Wars

5:30: Special Intentions of the Thomas Family

St Peter's & Our Lady's

Saturday 6th November

SP 9:30: Marguerite Ayres RIP & Holy Souls

OL: 5:00: Margaret & Denis Fitzmaurice

Sunday 7th

Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

SP 9:00: For those that have died during the Pandemic, Healthcare & Frontline Workers and all that supported our Communities in the last 18 months.

SP 11:00: Maria Alice Spencer

Monday 8th

No Mass Today

Tuesday 9th

SP 11:00: Deceased Clergy of the Deanery

Wednesday 10th

OL: 12:00: Suzanne Kallil RIP & Holy Souls

Thursday 11th

SP: 11:00: Sheila Clapperton

Friday 12th

OL: 1:00: Requiem Mass: Beryl Hartnett RIP

Saturday 13th

SP 9:30: People of the Parish & Holy Souls

OL: 5:00: Peter Dale RIP & Holy Souls

Sunday 14th

Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

SP 9:00: Mary & Tom Beirne RIP & Holy Souls

SP 11:15: All the deceased of the World Wars

The recently deceased of our Churches:

Laurence Treacy, Pauline Shakeshaft nee Kelly, Barbara McGrath, Margaret Biggs, Mary O'Connor, William Geaney, Beryl Hartnett, Maureen Brophy, Sheila Griffin, Helmut Jagusz.

May they rest in peace.

Confessions:

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

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

St Joseph's : On Request

Saints of the week

Monday 8th November

Memorial of Blessed George Napier, Priest, Martyr

Tuesday 9th November

Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Wednesday 10th

Memorial of St. Leo the Great, Pope, Doctor of the Church

Thursday 11th

Memorial of St. Martin of Tours, Bishop

Friday 12th

Memorial of St. Josaphat, Bishop, Martyr

Anniversaries of the faithful departed: Ida Parker, Maria Mulchrone, Sheila Houghton, Vladislovas Strasinckas, Grace Wattebot, Dr. Anthony Willis, Mary McCann, Michael Ryan, Paddy Keating, Barbara Faherty, May Dorgan, Iris Ryan, Catherine Lovell, Philomena O'Toole, Bill Hawthorn, Alex Maynard, Michael McConville, Fred Greenrod, Canon Eugene O'Sullivan, Canon John Redford, Fr. Francis Stanbridge, Fr. Francis Dawson, Fr. Derek Edwards, Fr. John Drinkwater, Fr. Cyril Duck, Fr. Michael O'Keefe, Fr. Petroc Howell, Deacon John Burton. **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: Peter Simmons, Sofiane Rebika, Sheila Ireland, Martin Streeter, 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, 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

Seven-day candles:

The Our Lady Chapel candle burns for: **The Intentions of Robin in Australia**

Dear Parishioners,

Fr. Benedict had to have a medical procedure undertaken at Warwick Hospital a few weeks ago. He had to go into complete isolation a few days before the operation. Unfortunately, in the first few days of his recuperation the wound became infected. Last Sunday he had to return to hospital for a few days for intravenous antibiotics and pain killers to stabilise the situation. To make a full recovery, the hospital consultant has signed him off work for a month. Fr Benedict decided it would be best for him to stay with his parents. Please keep Fr Benedict in your prayers. I will forward your cards to him.

The absence of Fr Benedict means a rethink of the pastoral work. I will honour the various commitments arranged by Fr B in terms of baptisms and funerals as well as my own. Currently I have 5 funerals in the next few weeks and about 15 Baptisms in the pipeline. Fr Christopher will help as best he can with Masses. He is 75 on Tuesday (and away all week). Canon Stewart has also offered help. He is 88. The Vicar General and the Archbishop said they would see what help can be provided.

This reminds me, this weekend we have a collection for the Johnson Fund which provides a pension for the retired Clergy of the Diocese. It is funded from the Laity. The Fund is administered by the Priests for the Priests.

You will see on the Mass schedule there is a special Mass this weekend for the victims of the Pandemic and the key workers. Cardinal Vincent Nichols asked all parishes in England and Wales to offer a Sunday Mass for this intention. Next weekend is Remembrance Sunday. Our Mass will begin at 11.15 am to allow for the 2 minutes silence at the War Memorial in Euston Square. Please remember some of the roads will be closed off nearby.

This weekend the Catholic Leamington website is down. You can read the Newsletter from the MCN Media TV webpage for the Live Streaming of Mass, the St Joseph's webpage, Mailchimp and the Warwick Deanery website. I will see if we can print a few more newsletters. The ones we provide are for people who have no access to a computer or a printer. Many older parishioners don't have a computer.

On Tuesday there will be a Mass for the Deceased Clergy of the Deanery at St Peter's at 11 am. All welcome.

Last weekend I had 5 buckets rapidly filling with water in the corridor of the Presbytery at St Peter's due to a major roof leak. Sadly the internal ceilings and wallpaper have been badly stained. The roof was repaired on Tuesday. Some slates had slipped and flashings around the chimney breast were damaged hence the water ingress. The Presbytery is often the poor relation when work needs to be done.

The roof and the gables will need work soon. This is the problem with older buildings. They look lovely but cost a fortune to maintain. On Wednesday I met with the representative of the Diocese for Historic buildings of which we are blessed with two. The new heating for Our Lady's is the next priority. If I can get the heating in the hall sorted out we will have a warm place for the weekday masses. The OL church heating will require major expenditure.

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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: The candle is now fully booked for this year, dates are available for 2022 from 30th January onwards, please place your request together with your donation (£5.00) through the Presbytery letterbox.



This week
Our Lady's
Seven Day
Candle
burns In
Memory of
Michael Ryan RIP

Gift Aid Envelopes: If there is anyone who is a tax payer and would like to join the Gift Aid Scheme which allows us to claim back 25% tax on donations you make, please contact Patrick Murphy on 07711 346 405

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.

Second Collection: This weekend there will be a collection for Johnson Association at all Churches.

Church Flowers: Are there any keen flower arrangers in our Congregation who would like to help by joining the very small flower arranging team here at St. Joseph's. We would appreciate any help! Please contact Jill on 01926 424372 for further details. If you would like to make a donation towards the cost of the church flowers, there is a box on the wall at the back of the Church.

Missio Red Boxes: Today, Sunday 7th November is the last date for returning your boxes for this year. Please bring your box to the Sacristy.

Art Group: The Art Group has restarted in St. Joseph's Parish Centre on Wednesdays at 9:30am, all welcome so do come along.

Friday Coffee Morning: These have now restarted in the Parish Centre after the 9:30am Mass. All are welcome so please come along.

Chair Yoga: The benefits of an active lifestyle are well known and documented. It's often said that "exercise is the best medicine". Luckily, chair yoga is an effective and assessable form of exercise for everyone. Using your chair for seated poses or balancing poses, you can take advantage of the many benefits yoga provides, such as increased circulation; feelings of well-being; decreases in blood pressure, anxiety, inflammation and chronic pain. Classes for all beginners are at St. Joseph's Parish Centre on Wednesdays, 1—1:45pm. Contact Ildiko for details on 07933 951794 or email ildiko@salsaukdancers.co.uk

Music Group: Can you play the Organ, Keyboard or Guitar or do you like to sing? If so, the music group at St. Joseph's needs you to help and support the singing at Mass. For more information, please contact Brian Malone on 07724 845801 or email brijen1@hotmail.co.uk

June Arran—A Celebration of her life: Lennie Arran invites you to join him to celebrate the life of his late wife, June. At St. Joseph's Parish Centre, Saturday 13th November 7—10pm. There will be a buffet, drinks, music & dancing. All welcome including children & families but please do RSVP to Lennie's daughter Maria, maria@mariafalconer.co.uk or 07740 985887 by Thursday 4th November for catering numbers. Hope to see many of you there.

St Peter's & Our Lady's

SAFEGUARDING: St Peter's Theresa Goh or Susan Chan email sg.stpeterapostle.leamington@rcaob.org.uk , Our Lady's Claire Walsh 01926 430070; St Joseph's Honor Hynes email sg.stjoseph.whitnash@rcaob.org.uk. 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: If you ever receive a strange email from me which says something like "Hi how are you?" or if there is a request for money, or if the email address says Pastor John please be aware it is not from me but a scam. Many clergy have been hit by this scourge. I would never ask for a favour or money in this way. Sometimes there is even a picture of my face taken off the website. I would never do this myself. Be suspicious and check with me if you are not certain.

I now have all the Christmas stock for the piety shop including some lovely Catholic diaries, boxes of religious cards, Mass intention cards for Christmas, scented candles, 2 missals and about 20 Catholic diaries which include the order of the Mass. I will put them out onto the Piety shop table at St Peter's and the Piety shop at Our Lady's over the coming weeks. Many thanks to those who braved the weather for the Blessing of the Graves last weekend at Leamington Cemetery. In the end we had lovely sunshine. If anyone would like some water to be blessed we are happy to oblige.

Every Blessing, Fr John

*****The Sparrows:** We have been infiltrated by a family of blue tits. They said they are asylum seekers but we don't believe them. Thankfully there is plenty of food for everyone since the man in the house put out a suet slab. He always refills the containers Best tweets, Sparrow. ***

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.

Something Greater: Please see Newsletter Extra for current news. Prayer bookmarks are available at the back of church

SfG: Volunteers needed: Our Saturday Friendship Group (sfg) works with the Salvation Army Way Ahead Project for those living on the margins. This has kept going all through the pandemic. But, now, from Monday 20th, normal working is going to be resumed, but to do so, **more volunteers are needed**, especially for Saturday from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm, usually every other week. Can you help? Do you feel called to this voluntary work? It's very rewarding and you will be trained. If so, please email cl.jandp@gmail.com for more information and to register your interest. Thank you.

Parish Update: - *for all parishioners of St Peter's and Our Lady's.* Please complete and return the Catholic Leamington Parish Update form available at the back of St Peter's and Our Lady's. Take one form for each household and return as soon as possible either in the boxes at the back of St Peter's or Our Lady's or to St Peter's presbytery. It is also available on the parish website if you would rather complete it online. This is a vital way to continue the rebuilding of our Catholic community and update our parish records at the same time.

Live simply parish group: - Our Recycling for Good Causes is at St Peter's at the moment – please check your drawers and cupboards for old mobile phones/tablets/cameras/ coins/stamps and jewellery. We have already got a cheque for £87 to go to CAFOD! - so many thanks to those who have already had a clear out and keep up the good work. The more we get the more CAFOD can help those in need.

Friday Luncheon Club: If enough parishioners are interested, we might hold our usual Christmas get together on Friday 4th December at 1pm. at Simons Place. This has now been taken over and has new owners, and the venue is big enough for us to spread out. If you are interested, please phone Carmel on 01926 859303, and leave a message, and I will get back to you. This, of course, depends entirely whether we are in lockdown or not.

Coming Together in Faith: Everyone across the district is invited to a 30-minute ecumenical service on Wednesday 10th November at 7pm at St. Francis of Assisi Church, Warwick Road, Kenilworth, CV8 1HL, followed by a light buffet in the adjacent Parish Centre. We will pray for those who we have lost in the last 19 months, those who have supported the vulnerable and sick during the COVID pandemic. Please confirm your attendance to peter.rand@friendsoftheholylan.org.uk or 01926 852163

Advent Retreat: Preparing to welcome Jesus at Christmas in a new way. St Peter's Parish Centre on Saturday 27th November. The optional Mass at 9.30am is followed by coffee before we start at 10.30am and end about 3.30pm. Bring your own food for lunch and your own bible. Refreshments will be available. To cover the cost of using the hall there is an entry charge of £5 (cash). Contact Anne Elson if you have a query: 01926 882654 (leave a message if no answer).

Young Adults Group (18-30): 'Saints and Sinners Social': Come join us online in the month of All Saints and All Souls to pray the Litany of Saints, do a mini 'Spot the Saint' quiz, and have a chat about our favourite saints.

SPAN: Our monthly open meeting is this Monday at 7:30 on zoom. For a link please contact paulhayden444@gmail.com For details of the SPAN Christmas Food Voucher Appeal please read the November EXTRA.

St Joseph's

Baptism: We welcome into the Church Amelia Rose O'Connor who was Baptised yesterday.

Eucharistic Adoration & Rosary: This has now started at 8:30am on Saturday mornings.

Johnson Association: This fund provides for needs of the Clergy in Sickness & old age, it also provides funds for those Clergy who are incapacitated by serious illness. If you would like to become a benefactor, for each £10 you send a Mass will be offered for your intentions, contact johnsonassociation.org The Diocese Annual Second Collection will take place after each Mass on 6th & 7th November.

November—Month of the Holy Souls: Envelopes are available at the back of Church in which you can place the names of your deceased loved ones together with your donation and then place in the box provided. Holy Mass will be offered for them during November.

SPAN Appeal: There will be an appeal on behalf of SPAN after each Mass Today, Sunday 7th November.

Mass for the deceased of the Parish: This will take place on Thursday 25th November at 7pm. The names of the Parishioners whose Funeral Service was held here at St. Joseph's will be read out and also on display in the Parish Remembrance book.

Blessing of the Graves at St. Joseph's: This will be after Mass on Saturday Morning 13th November.

Special Mass: Today 7th November the 5:30pm Mass will be offered for those who have died during the pandemic and for all Healthcare & Frontline Workers who have supported our local communities during the last 18 Months.

St. Joseph 50 Year's Anniversary: On 21st November 1971, The Feast of Christ the King, the first Mass was offered in this Church, so this year marks our 50th Anniversary. With the difficulties and restrictions experience since March 2020 it was a problem as to how we would celebrate this milestone. However, I have a date for your diary, on Thursday 2nd December 2021 at 7pm we will have a Concelebrated Mass with the main Concelebrated Mass with the main celebrant a former Parish Priest and now the Bishop of Northampton, Rt. Rev. David Oakley followed by light refreshments in the Parish Centre.

200 Club: The collection and draw will take place this Sunday, 7th November. For only £1 per month (cash, cheque or standing order) you could win a monthly prize of £50 or £30. In addition this month there will be the extra Christmas prize of £25. If you are interested in joining please speak to Anne or Carol in the Narthex after Mass or leave your details and we will call you back to discuss. All profits go to the Church Building Fund.

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