

CATHOLIC LEAMINGTON: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 16th January 2022

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St Joseph's

Sunday 16th
2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
9.00: Patrick Nestor
5:30: James O'Donnell RIP
Monday 17th
9:30: NO MASS
Tuesday 18th
9:30: NO MASS
Thursday 20th
9:30: NO MASS
Friday 21st
9:30: NO MASS
Saturday 22nd
9:30: NO MASS
Sunday 23rd
3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
9.00: Joseph Chako RIP
5:30: Sr. Josephine Walsh

St Peter's & Our Lady's

Saturday 15th January
SP: 10.00: Pat O'Connell
SP: 5.00: Peter Webb
Sunday 16th
2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
SP 9:00: All Donors to Charity
OL: 10:00: Katie Hannan RIP
SP 11:00: Kathleen Josephine Taylor RIP
Monday 17th
SP: 9:30: Sherry McKeon
SP: 10:00—Coffee Morning after Mass
Tuesday 18th
SP: 9:30: Fr. Paschal Dormer
SP 12:30: *Requiem Mass: Paola Urso RIP*
Wednesday 19th
OL:11:00— No Coffee Morning and Holy Hour
OL: 12:00: NO MASS
Thursday 20th
SP: 11:00: Annette Widdas
Friday 21st
SP: 11:00: Peter Skidmore RIP
Saturday 22nd
SP: 10:00: Francis Skidmore
SP: 5:00: Pamela Russell
Sunday 23rd
3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
SP 9:00: Lynne Barton
OL: 10:00: Susan Day RIP
SP 11:00: First Holy Communion Class of 2022

The recently deceased of our Churches:

Denis O'Halloran, Elizabeth Rowley, Bridie Daly, Consuelo Connell, Anthony Keegan, Paola Urso, Marian Dowd, Dian O'Brien, Pasquale Santilli.
May they rest in peace.

Saints of the week

Monday 17th January
Memorial of St. Anthony, Abbot

Wednesday 19th January
Feast of St. Wulstan, Bishop

Thursday 20th January
Opt. Memorial of St. Fabian, Pope, Martyr
Opt. Memorial of St. Sebastian, Martyr

Friday 21st January
Memorial of St. Agnes, Virgin, Martyr

Saturday 22nd January
Opt. Memorial of St. Vincent, Deacon, Martyr
Opt. Memorial of Our Lady on Saturday

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity: 17th—25th January 2022.

Confessions:

St. Peter's: Saturdays: 9:15—9:45am, 4:15—4:45pm
Our Lady's: After Mass if a priest is available.
St Joseph's: On Request

Exposition:

St. Peter's: Saturdays: 9 - 10am

Morning Prayer:

St. Peter's: 9:40am

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: Stanley Godwin, Patrick Campbell, Margaret Smith, Peter Simmons, Sheila Ireland, Joe Graham, Flor Duckett, Caleb O'Neill, Anne Kirby, Anne Fraser, 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-Claire 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 Main Altar Candle burns this week for: **Peter & Margaret Simmons' Intentions**

"Peace I leave you, my peace I give you...."

"The peace of the Lord be with you always...."

"Let us offer each other the sign of peace."

Dear Parishioners,

These three sentences are said during Mass. Throughout the Pandemic and against the advice of the Bishops (who quite rightly wanted priests and parishioners to avoid personal contact with each other for fear of spreading the virus), I wanted to look at other ways of communicating this special moment at Mass for the Christian community at prayer. It is the only time when we address our neighbour, acknowledging our common discipleship and sharing with them and they with us the peace we have received from the Lord. This peace of God flows through us and strengthens our community

The sign of peace has always been a special moment of the Mass for me since before I was ordained.. For me it has always been a sign of togetherness and unity. It reflects the hidden bonds of love which bind us together as a family. When I attended Mass with my parents, my brothers and I shook hands with each other bringing a proper sense of peace after disagreements and even fights .We acknowledged our true brotherly love . As a student while I was living away from home, I used to attend Mass at the Church nearest my student hostel or a freezing cold, rented house. Going to Mass brought me into contact with the local parish . They regarded me as a student who made the effort to attend Mass on Sunday morning. I felt affirmed and welcomed when someone who didn't know me turned and said "Peace be with you." For me it was Christ Himself who was saying these words.

During the worst of the Pandemic times, I celebrated mass alone, but I never stopped saying "Peace be with you." - I was offering it to you and for you in my role as persona Christi. When we had Mass on the Live Stream camera, I always offer the sign of peace to those watching from home. You have told me you waved back ! At all our services I asked people to wave or elbow bump their message of peace to neighbours and friends around the Church. Now we can do the same.

Peace is so important in our daily lives. It may be we are not at peace for much of the day as the noise of the world impinges on our lives but if possible try to find a time when you can offer up all your troubles to the Lord ask him to bring you his peace - even if it is from under the bed clothes ! Let us listen to the voice of the Lord as he speaks to us today : Peace be with you!"

Every Blessing,

Fr John

St Joseph's

Fire at St. Joseph's: Due to the recent fire in the Church and until further notice, all Masses will be held in the Parish Centre at the following times:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday 9:30am, Sundays at 9am & 5:30pm

Live Streaming will not be available.



This week
Our Lady's
Seven Day
Candle
burns this week
for: **Frances Lovell
RIP**

Confessions will be heard on request.

Our Lady's 7 Day Candle Intentions for 2022: Dates are available from 20th February 2022, please place your request together with your donation (£5.00) through the Presbytery letterbox.

Eucharistic Adoration & Rosary:

This has now started at 8:30am on Saturday mornings.
Synodality: If anyone from St. Joseph's would like to join the Catholic Leamington Parish Steering Group on Synodality, please contact Paul Hayden at paulhayden444@gmail.com

No Mass: Due to Fr. Noel taking some holiday there will be no Weekday or Saturday Masses between Monday 17th January and Friday 28th January inclusive, **Sunday Masses will continue as normal.**

WW (Formerly Weight Watchers): A new group is starting in St. Joseph's Parish Centre every Wednesday evening at 6:30pm.

First Holy Communion Preparation 2022: We would like to invite all the Children who are in Year 3 and attend a non-Catholic School to register with the Parish Office at stpeterapostle.leamington@rcaob.org.uk for First Holy Communion in 2022. The deadline to register is 31st January 2022.

Anniversaries of the faithful departed: Kathleen Taylor, Pauline Rome, Rosaline Quinn, Catherine Ferguson, Esther McCarthy, Christine Clewes, Thomas Dean, Kathleen Fitzgerald, Jeremiah Fitzpatrick, Vincenza Corbett, Anselmo LeBrone, Dominica Treacy, Michael Monaghan, Andrea La Barbera, Catherine Crowley, John Coombes, Mary Carl, Mary Ward, Susan Day, Rose Woodhouse, Peter Barton, Elizabeth Cooper, Kathleen Connolly, Jan Gardner, Kathleen Nolan, Bob Rogerson, David Kelly, John Dickerson, Tom Silk, Phil Lane, Lucy Maynard, Edith Bird, Patrick Lane, Brian McCann, Maureen Rawsthorne, Pauline Jenkins, Tony Cooper, Lola Toye, Mgr. John Cregg, Canon Matthias Corrigan, Canon Bernard McKenna, Fr. Robert Kirby, Fr. Benedict O'Gorman, Fr. Gerard Peuleve, Fr. Cyril Bennett, Fr. Archibald Snell, Fr. Timothy Dinan, Fr. Cecil Keane, Fr. Bernard Robertson, Fr. Cecil J. Gregory Winterton CO, Fr. Edward Leicester CO, Fr. Edward Kirner, Fr. Clement Burrett, Fr. Michael Walshe, Fr. George Jackson, Fr. John Tolkien, Fr. Joseph McKenna, Deacon Thomas Carter. **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.**

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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.

Bishops Statement on COVID: With respect to the current situation with the omicron variant it is important to ensure the following points are followed in our churches:

- That people displaying any symptoms of covid-19 should stay at home and not travel to church or participate in person.
- That hand sanitiser is available to those attending the Church.
- That people wear a face covering (both nose and mouth) during the act of worship.
- That there is good ventilation and air throughput in the building; in this case, because of climatic conditions, it would be important to remind people to wrap up well in church!
- That a positive message encouraging people to get vaccinated and have the booster jab when able is delivered whenever possible.
- That people who are engaged in a form of pastoral ministry which involves ministry to the housebound, sick and vulnerable, should take regular lateral flow tests to ensure they are safe to do so. These are free from the NHS.

There is now very strong evidence to support that the main mode of transmission is through breath and nasal aerosols, and that the risk from surface and touch transmission is very small indeed. As such, the strict regimes of church cleaning that were recommended at the beginning of the opening of churches for public worship are no longer necessary. General church cleaning is sufficient. If these guidance points are supported, then the churches will continue to be safe places for people to gather for acts of public worship, including over the Christmas period.

**** The Sparrows**** - We woke up on Friday and looked out of our nest to see nothing but white. Not snow but fog, it made it very difficult for us to find the feeders. Foggy Tweets, the Sparrows.

Fr. Benedict's Homilies: can be found online by following this link <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC32ambzqLEqP58Z0fT6qAew>
Job Opportunity: Our Lady & St Teresa catholic Primary School is looking for a Lunchtime Supervisor. Competitive Rates. Please apply to The School Office. Tel : 01926 424420 for further details. No previous experience required.

Young Adults Group (18-30): Aged between 16-24? Claiming Universal Credit? Looking for a job in Leamington? Fiat Fertility Care Ltd are recruiting for a Marketing and Admin Support person. Details here: <https://findajob.dwp.gov.uk/details/7572708?fbclid=IwAR1g27kDsnh6b5WJhBuvKQ7S9vTZTOOgUzIEn1VHsE-cLmEqanrOq67cwo>

Friday Luncheon Club: The next Friday Luncheon Club will be on the 28th January at 1-0 pm at Casa Valle on the corner of Warwick Street and Clarendon Street. If you would like to attend please phone Carmel on 01926 859303 and leave a message. Look forward to seeing you all. Carmel

Peace Sunday: is This Sunday, 16 January, and this year Pope Francis asks us to think about 'Education, work and dialogue between generations: tools for building lasting peace'.

The need for peace in the world is obvious. People are struggling against violence and conflict, growing inequalities, the effects of climate change and the covid pandemic. How can we harness the gifts and energy of all generations in the work of peacemaking? Which 'tools for building lasting peace' do you think Pope Francis might be talking about?

SPAN: At our January open meeting we agreed grants of £ 200 to a SPICMA project giving clean water to a girls school in Uganda and £ 250 to a local bereavement support charity, Guy's Gift. Our minutes can be read on CatholicLeamington.org.uk/SPAN or ask to join our mailing list through paulhayden444@gmail.com

New Year Appeal from St Patrick's Catholic Primary School: Books for Children. This year St Patrick's are aiming to raise £500 to provide stimulating new reading books for all our children to enjoy. Will you help us to raise money so that we can add to our collection of reading books for the children of St Patrick's Catholic Primary School? To make a donation please visit our crowdfunding page at <https://www.rocketfund.org/p/books-for-children-1?tk=MTY0MTY1ODAxODc1NTA3N2E5N2RhYWZmZGZjMDU3YTU5YmE4ZWFjMTU0N2Y1NzY2MjMjM=>

Thank you from all the children at St Patrick's Catholic Primary School, Leamington.

Synodal Pathway/Walking Together: Thank you if you have completed and returned your Synod Form. The deadline is by the end of January.

Synodal Pathway/Walking Together meetings: Walking Together meetings Help shape our Church for the future by attending our remaining meetings. See www.CatholicLeamington.org.uk/Synod or the Synod Special 2 leaflet for details.

Meeting 2: St Peter's Friday 21st January 2.30 – 4.00pm (coffee / tea from 2.00)

Meeting 3: St Joseph's Friday 21st January 7.30 – 9.00pm (coffee / tea from 7.00)

Meeting 4: St Joseph's Thursday 27th January 1.30 – 3.00pm (coffee / tea from 1pm)

Meeting 5: Our Lady's Friday 14th January 7.30 – 9.00pm (coffee / tea from 7.00)

Meeting 6: Our Lady's Wednesday 26th January 2.30 – 4.00pm (coffee / tea from 2.00pm)

Meeting 7: Zoom meeting Wednesday 2nd February 7.30 – 9.00pm

To help us gauge numbers and for us contact you if a meeting has to be cancelled, please register / book by sending us the meeting number with your name, e-mail address and telephone no to SynodLeamington@gmail.com or there are booking sheets on clipboards in our churches. if you have not registered your intent, you are still welcome to attend.

Catholic Leamington Justice & Peace: The next Catholic Leamington Justice & Peace meeting (by Zoom) will be at 7.30 pm this Monday 17th January. Most of the meeting will be devoted to a synodal discernment from a justice and peace perspective of 2 or 3 questions in the Catho-

January EXTRA is now available on the website NEWSLETTER page www.catholicleamington.org.uk/newsletter In this edition: Thank you from SVP and SPAN, Peace Sunday 2022, Family Peace Sunday Quiz, A Youth Call to Action, Pax Christi, Recycling for Good Causes, Live Simply Parish meeting and An Invitation.