

CATHOLIC LEAMINGTON: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 31st July 2022

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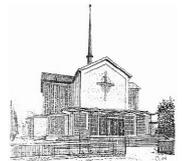
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St Peter's & Our Lady's

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9:00: Kitty Byrne Celebrating her 100th Year

11:00: Baptism: Caitlin Saje

5:30: Filippo Castروفилippo RIP

6:30: Reception: Yvonne Hawkins RIP

Monday 1st August

10:00: Requiem Mass: Yvonne Hawkins RIP

Tuesday 2nd

9:30: Zena Godwin RIP;

Margaret Godwin RIP

Thursday 4th

7:00: Private Intentions (AK);

David Collett

Friday 5th

9:30: Jean & Wilf Feely's 50th Anniversary

Saturday 6th

9:30: Cathal Conaghan RIP;

Dick Cotter RIP

Sunday 7th

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00: James McGarvey RIP;

Har Doyle RIP

5:30: Roisin, Tommy & Malachy Blair and Peter A Watts

Saturday 30th July

SP: 10:00: Francis Bin John Daa

SP: 5:00: The Isaacs Family

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SP 9:00: Anthony Towey RIP

OL: 10:00: Kathleen Donovan RIP

OL: 11:00—Coffee Morning after Mass

SP: 11:00: Ted Foster RIP

SP: 12:30—Coffee Morning after Mass

Monday 1st August

SP: No Mass

SP: 10:00—Coffee Morning after Mass

Tuesday 2nd

SP: No Mass

Wednesday 3rd

OL: No Mass

Thursday 4th

SP: No Mass

Friday 5th

SP: 11:00: Parish Priest's Intention

Saturday 6th

SP: 10:00: Frank Garvey RIP

SP: 5:00: Ellen Barrow Anniversary

Sunday 7th

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

OL: 9:15: People of the Parish ****Please note Mass time****

OL: 10:30—Coffee Morning after Mass

SP: 11:15: Daniel Warburton;

Fr. Francis Gwinnett ****Please note Mass time****

SP: 12:30—Coffee Morning after Mass

Saints of the week

Monday 1st August

Memorial of St. Alphonsus Mary de'Liguori, Bishop, Doctor of the Church

Tuesday 2nd August

Opt. Memorial of St. Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop

Opt. Memorial of St. Peter Julian Eymard, Priest

Thursday 4th August

Memorial of St. John Mary Vianney, Priest

Friday 5th August

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

Saturday 6th August

Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord

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

The recently deceased of our Churches:

Laura De Magalheas Ferreira, Peggy Hawkins, Yvonne Hawkins. **May they rest in peace.**

Our prayers for the Sick: Mary Yapp, Norma Byrne, Bernard Kirwan, Wilfrid Feely, Fr. Tony Rohan, Vincent Coleman, Ahmed Musa, Fina Monastero, Stanley Godwin, Patrick Campbell, Margaret Smith, Peter Simmons, Sheila Ireland, Joe Graham, Flor Duckett, Caleb O'Neill, Anne Fraser, John Curran, Peter Curran, Portia Brightburn, Cyril Sheard, Giovanni Allurlino, Edward Behan, Pam Brambles, Mary Craig, Mario Fasi, Eileen Hiorns, Mist Johnson, David Kendall, Nathaniel Manning, Kate Miles, Paula Newton, Jim Olexa, Fr Malcolm Prince, Ann Reilly, Marie-Clare Banner, Patricia Robinson, 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.

St Peter's & Our Lady's

Dear Parishioners,

This is the last "Dear Parishioners" I shall write for you. It has been a long run. My intention has always been to try to keep you up to date about key events and if possible, inject a little humour into it as well. An eagle eyed parishioner spotted on one of them *this parish is part of a calorie-controlled diet*. I recall another parishioner who asked why a dog should be writing in the parish newsletter? My response was "Why shouldn't the parish dog have the chance to say a few words?" And we all loved to read what Freddie and later Bertie had to say. Freddie wrote "Paws for Thought" and Bertie followed in his paw steps with "Tails of the Unexpected".

Thank you for the many cards and gifts I have received. The 11am Mass last weekend was splendid especially the *Gaelic Blessing* sung by St. Peter's Choir. "The Lord Bless you and keep you, the Lord let his face shine upon you, ..." (Arranged by John Rutter). It is a beautiful piece of music and the tears flowed.

Thank you to Giovanna Davies and her helpers who last weekend prepared a light buffet for an after mass farewell. Over the last few days I have been grateful to the small army of helpers who packed and wrapped and shifted boxes for me. It has been quite a job.

I had it in mind to see how many of the Sacraments I have conducted in terms of Baptisms, Marriages and Funerals since I arrived. In the end it was not me, but the Lord who brought His grace to you. I was just the conduit. Priests are ordained to serve the community. I have tried my very best to serve you and if at times I got things wrong, upset anyone or dropped a clanger then I am truly sorry. Even Priests are fallible!

Well now it is time to sign off for the last time.

Every Blessing,

Fr. John.

P.S. My prayers and good wishes to Fr Stephen.

As Fr. John Cross leaves St. Peter's and Our Lady's Churches, we wish him every success at his new Parish in Dorridge and we would like to thank him for his dedicated service of 16 years at St. Peter's and 6 years at Our Lady's as our Parish Priest. And 8 years as Dean of the Warwick Deanery. So a heartfelt Thank You from the Parishioners of St. Peter's and Our Lady's.

St Joseph's

Confessions will be heard on request.

Our Lady's 7 Day Candle Intentions for 2022: Dates are available from 25th September, please place your request together with your donation (£5.00) through the Presbytery letterbox.



This week
Our Lady's
Seven Day
Candle
burns this week for:
Natasha Thomas

Gift Aid Envelopes: If you are a taxpayer and would like to contribute weekly via a weekly envelope please contact the office.

Boiler & Internal Repairs: This work is due to commence in the next few weeks and will include the repairs & decorating required inside the Sacristy / Piety Shop area. This work will also be covered by insurance.

Archdiocese Annual Pilgrimages to Harvington Hall: This is on Sunday 4th September, see poster in Narthex for full details, St. Peter's may be organising a coach if enough people sign their sign up sheets.

Missio Red Boxes: Please leave your box in the Sacristy by today, Sunday 31st July ready to be collected next Sunday.

Baptism Welcome: We welcome into the Church **Caitlin Sajev** who is being Baptised today.

Welcome: We welcome any visitors that may be joining us at Mass this week, especially those who are staying in the area for the Commonwealth Games.

Pilgrimage to Rome and The Shrines of Italy: Fodo Pilgrims are organising a Pilgrimage to Rome from 11th—20th October, including flights, accommodation and Daily Mass. Further details are on the poster in the Narthex.

200 Club: Congratulations to Len Gilbride and Yvonne Evans who won the 1st and 2nd prizes in July's 200 Club draw. The next collection and draw will take place on Sunday 31st July.

No Mass: On Monday 1st August there will be no 9:30am Mass.

Change of Mass Time: from Sunday 4th September the Sunday morning Mass time will be changing to 10am. The afternoon Mass will remain at 5:30pm.

Last week's Plate Collections

1st: SP (3 Masses): **£542-49** & OL (1 Mass): **£204-67**

2nd: SP: Boiler Repairs: **£177-75** & OL: Church Maint.: **£54-10**

The 2nd Collections this weekend are:

SP: Boiler Repairs & **OL:** Church Maint.

Thank you for your Generosity

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Anniversaries of the faithful departed: Anne Strasinikas, Sarah O'Rourke, Nora Quirke, Filippo Turturici, Ellen Barrow, Arthur Thurlow, Mary Pettipher, Concetta Clews, John Rellis, Jerzy Kajkowski, Marion Poultney, Jimmy Crowley, Eugene Mellon, William Kelly, Patrick Moran, Yvonne Leahy, Mary Russell, Maurice Sheehan, Canon Arthur Diamond, Fr. Richard Lynch CO, Fr. David Ford, Fr. Cuthbert Brown, Fr. James Gough, Fr. Francis Gwinnett, Deacon John Leach. ***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.***

Parish Social Events at St. Peter's this year

We are running several Social Fundraising Events this year. Dates for your diary this year:

Saturday 17th September: Fashion Show—Price £10.00 p/person. The return of the very successful Fashion show we previously held in 2019. This is a joint fundraiser with a percentage of the funds going to Helping Hands.

Friday 21st October: Tapas Evening—Price: £10.00 p/person. The return of the very well attended Tapas evening. To include a Tapas meal, Bar and DJ.

Saturday 3rd December: To be Announced.

If you would like to volunteer to help at any of the events above or would like to join the newly reformed Social Committee please email the Parish Office on stpeterapostle.leamington@rcaob.org.uk with the title Social Committee.

****The Sparrows**** - And so it has finally arrived, the day when the man who helps to feed us is going on a journey to somewhere new. As Sparrows we know that moving can be a very moving experience, however, we are never far away. Best Tweets, The Sparrows.

Pastimes: is up and running every Tuesday from 11-30am until 3pm in St. Peter's Parish Hall. We are a friendly, welcoming and inclusive group and would love you to join us! There are various activities such as Scrabble, jigsaws, crafts, book club, sewing and of course opportunities for fundraising! There is always a listening ear and the opportunity for a chat. The Nations favourite cup of tea, and cake, is provided!! You can do as much or as little as you like.....no pressure!

Young Adults Group: The Young Adults Group is open to all Catholics between the ages of 18-30. We meet on the Second Monday of the month, 7pm at St Peter's Church. Our group meets for a talk in the parish hall, or a time of prayer in church, followed by a social time together. You would be most welcome. For up to date information please check out the updated church website: <https://www.catholicleamington.org.uk/young-adults-18-30.html> or contact Rose on rose-mary.pauling@btinternet.com

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Parish visiting: Can you help with visiting; would you like to be visited? Now that home visits can begin again, after nearly two years of Covid restrictions, the Parish Visiting Team and the Welcoming Group are re-starting. They are appealing for new members to join them. Contact: Peter Dimambro 01926 428399 mdimambro@hotmail.co.uk

Can you support your priest with a Mass intention?: If you would like to have Mass celebrated for an intention, please fill out one of the large yellow 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. Thank you.

Harvington Hall Pilgrimage: The Annual Pilgrimage to Harvington Hall—Shine to the English Martyrs is on Sunday 4th September 2022. Mass is at 3pm with Confessions between 1:45—2:30pm. Please see the poster on the Notice Boards at St. Peter's, St. Joseph's and Our Lady's. There is a sign up sheet available and if enough people wish to go we can arrange a coach.

SPAN: We have received thank you letters for your support through CAFOD agencies; for the latest £ 500 sent for the Ukraine appeal and £ 250 for the food, water and shelter to vulnerable and displaced people in the Afghanistan appeal. Also for the £ 250 to the East Africa Children's Project relieving poverty in Kenya and Uganda.

There are SPAN yellow envelopes in our church entrances that can be used for donations, these can be placed in boxes at St Joseph's and St Peter's or placed in any collection. Please see www.catholicleamington.org.uk/span on other ways to give aid to the needy through SPAN.

SYNOD: The Bishops of England and Wales have published a 5-page reflection on their synthesis of Diocesan Synod Reports (or Diocesan Syntheses of Parish reports), it is called "Seeking Our Hearts' Desire". Please see www.catholicleamington.org.uk/synod to download either of these documents. The Catholic Leamington synod report and links to interesting synod reports from other parishes and dioceses are also available from this page.

Quilt of Hope: has now moved to All Saint's Parish Church.

Come and See: and learn about the Catholic Faith. Do you have a spouse, relative, friend, neighbour, work colleague who might be interested in finding out what being a Catholic is all about? He/she could be a non-Catholic or a non-churchgoing Catholic. Would you like to refresh your own Faith? Our weekly "Come and See" sessions will be starting on **Wednesday 5th October at 7.30pm**, in St. Peter's Parish Centre. Contact 01926 428399, or email rcia.cathleam@gmail.com to register interest or for more information. More details also available at <https://www.catholicleamington.org.uk/exploring-the-catholic-faith.html>

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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.

The Catholic Leamington Justice & Peace: Rosary intention for August is 'We pray that as Fr. John and Fr. Benedict leave St. Peter's their ministry will be strengthened in their new parishes and we pray that Fr. Stephen will find a warm welcome in Catholic Leamington.

In two weeks we shall be commemorating the anniversary of the dropping of atomic bombs on Hiroshima (6th August 1945) and Nagasaki (9th August 1945) killing between 125,000 and 225,000 people, almost all civilians. Those figure dwarf the deaths in Ukraine (currently estimated as 10,000) and would of course be dwarfed by anyone dropping a modern nuclear weapon on Moscow, New York or London. On Saturday 6 August all are welcome to a Remembrance Service at Coventry Cathedral, with music, poetry and peace activities from 1 to 3.30 pm.

Ukraine Appeal: The Polish Centre Aid For Ukraine campaign continues at the Army Surplus Store container storage site at Harbury Lane. We are no longer using the hangar but items are still collected on site (please drop in to the Army Surplus Store Mon. — Sat. 9am-4pm) and stored in a container before they are packed and transported to Ukraine. They are currently looking for the following goods for the Ukrainian Aid Effort: **MEDICAL:** Linear vascular prostheses d 5-10mm, Vacuum aspiration equipment, External bone fixation devices, Detralex, Pantoprazole, Painkillers, Bandages, wound dressings, Sterile disposable gloves, Tourniquets, Disinfectant fluids, Syringes, Suturing equipment, Cannulas (various), Sterile PCs, Drip systems. **PERSONAL CARE PRODUCTS:** Incontinence pads. **BASIC NECESSITIES:** Torches, Matches, Batteries, Power banks, power Generators. **FOOD:** Soups - canned & instant, Oil, Flour, Sugar, Pasta. Cereals, rice, couscous, bulgur wheat, buckwheat & pearl barley groats., Canned vegetables, meat and fish., Energy bars., Coffee, Tea, Dried fruit, Peanuts. **CHILDREN'S PRODUCTS:** Baby food, Children's medications, syrups. If you would like to donate items to the collection but can not get to Harbury Lane, please drop the items into St. Peter's Presbytery between 12pm—5pm Monday to Friday marked "Ukraine" and we will drop them up to Harbury Lane.

Ukraine Ambulances: Thanks to the generosity of donors the Polish Centre have successfully purchased two ambulances for Hospitals in Shepetivka and Szarograd in Ukraine, this will be a unique opportunity to see them before departure. The Ukraine Ambulance event will be an all day event on Saturday 30th July from 11am to 5pm outside the Town Hall in Leamington, so as many people as possible can see what is being done. There will be a multi-faith blessing from 12:00 - 12:30pm

Bernardo's Report: An independent review undertaken by the charity Barnardo's on behalf of the Archdiocese of Birmingham in relation to the management of concerns about Joseph Quigley, a priest in the Archdiocese, is now available on the Diocesan website: www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk.

The Trustees of the Archdiocese of Birmingham have accepted this review and its 18 recommendations in full and you can also see the full response on the website. As an institution it is for the present Bishops and Trustees to take corporate responsibility, to apologise, learn and ensure best safeguarding practice now and in the future. There has been a significant amount of positive change in Diocesan safeguarding practice. However, these recommendations will help inform ongoing learning and improvement within the Archdiocese.

Catholic Leamington Synod Report: Dreams: *This is the report by the Parish Synodal Team, based on the questionnaires received and the subsequent discussions. The views expressed are not necessarily representative of the views of Fr. John, Fr. Noel or the Archdiocese of Birmingham:*

Over the next 6 weeks we will publish here page 3 of the report produced last February. "If you were asked to 'dare to dream' about how you see the Church in the third millennium, what might your dream be?"

Part 5. The Church we dream of would have vibrant and joyful celebrations, engendering a deep relationship with God and nurturing the gifts and vocations of every member, fitting each of us for our essential mission: to live out the Gospel message, eager to share our faith with others. There would be powerful celebration and exploration of the Word both in gatherings for prayer and in those for ongoing formation in faith and sharing of understanding. Our parish communities would be known for their commitment and determination to stand with the poor and marginalised, with refugees and strangers, with the homeless and the abused. We would eagerly embrace modern communication in all its forms, to connect us to each other, reconnect us to those who have fallen away from the Church, and reach out to those waiting to hear the good news we have to offer. Fruitful cooperation and respectful dialogue would be the defining traits of our relationship with other faiths and other Christian denominations, and with the latter we would come together eagerly in shared acts of worship.

Part 6 will follow in next week's Newsletter. The whole 15-page report plus appendices can be found at www.catholicleamington.org.uk/synod

July EXTRA: The July edition of Catholic Leamington's EXTRA Newsletter is now available on the website. Follow the Newsletter link on the homepage of the website, and it is underneath the main entry. You find enlightening, useful reading. If you have something to write about, please send it to catholicleamington.extra@gmail.com by 31 July.