

# CATHOLIC LEAMINGTON

## 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Sunday 16th July 2023

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### Mass Schedule

DAY	AT ST PETER'S	AT OUR LADY'S	INTENTION
<b>SUNDAY 16th July 2023</b> 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Confession 4.15-45pm <b>5.00pm Vigil Mass</b>	~	Mary McGivern RIP; Annie McHale RIP
	<b>11.15am Mass</b>	<b>9.15am Mass</b>	Philip Donaghey RIP James Hannan RIP
Monday 17th <i>Memorial of Blessed John Sugar, Pr. &amp; Robert Grissold, Layman, Martyrs</i>	10am	~	<i>Service of the Word &amp; Holy Communion</i>
Tuesday 18th <i>Feria</i>	<b>11am Mass</b>	~	Stanislaus D'Souza RIP
Wednesday 19th <i>Feria</i>	~	10am Mass	Jackie Ingram RIP
Thursday 20th <i>Opt. Mem. of St. Apollinaris, Bp., Martyr</i>	<b>1pm Mass</b>	~	<b>Requiem: Rosemary Matthews RIP</b>
Friday 21st <i>Opt. Mem. of St. Lawrence of Brindisi, Pr. Dr. of the Church</i>	10am Mass	~	Anna Dalli
<b>Saturday 22nd</b> <i>Feast of St. Mary Magdalene</i>	Exposition 9am Confession 9.15-45am 10am Mass		Holy Souls
	Confession 4.15-45pm <b>5.00pm Vigil Mass</b>	~	Eileen Godfrey
<b>SUNDAY 23rd</b> 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time	<b>11.15am Mass</b>	<b>9.15am Mass</b>	Thomas Ryan Fun Austin Birthday Intentions; Anne Elson Birthday Intentions

**Sunday Masses at St Joseph's, Whitnash: 10am & 5:30pm.** Details on the website: stjoseph47.org.uk

**Our prayers for the Sick:** Giovanni Allurlino, Marie-Claire Banner, Edward Behan, Sean Bell, Sarah Bonnalie, Pam Brambles, Portia Brightburn, Norman Byrne, Patrick Campbell, Mary Craig, Peter Curran, Mario Fasi, Wilfrid Feely, Joe Graham, David Grayling, Eileen Hiorns, Sheila Ireland, Mist Johnson, David Kendall, Zainab Lawless, Una Maddocks, Nathaniel Manning, Kate Miles, Fina Monastero, Philip Morris, Jo Murphy, Andrew Murray, Brian Murray, Ahmed Musa, Paula Newton, Gill Parker, Fr. Malcolm Prince, Patricia Robinson, Fr. Tony Rohan, Margaret Smith, Christine Tam, Terena Tam, Terry Tam, George Wall, Elizabeth Weston, Peter Wright, Mary Yapp & 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. Our Lady, help of the sick, pray for them.**

**Anniversaries of the faithful departed:** James Hannan, Maurice Peacey, Anne Hornsby, William McSweeney, Alfred Berry, John Jackson, Josephine Kelly, Rose Thurlow, Denis Murphy, Antonio Rivera, David Dunbar, Craig Berry, Robert McManus, Mgr. Peter Ryall, Canon Laurence Kelly, Fr. Brian Halton, Fr. Geoffrey Wamsley CO, Fr. Arthur Warburton, Fr. Philip Cleary, Fr. Liam O'Connor, Fr. Thomas Rock, Fr. Albert Kelly.  
**The recently deceased:** Catherine O'Sullivan, Fr. John Darley, Ronnie Young, Claire Claffey, Rosemary Matthews, Fr Bernard Garret, Margaret Henderson-Gill. **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.**

**SAFEGUARDING:** St Peter's Theresa Goh or Susan Chan email sg.stpeterapostle.leamington@rcaob.org.uk , Our Lady's Claire Walsh email sg.ccolc.lillington@rcaob.org.uk ; 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.

## JULY, MONTH OF THE PRECIOUS BLOOD

*GLORY BE TO JESUS, WHO IN BITTER PAINS, POURED FOR ME THE LIFE BLOOD FROM HIS SACRED VEINS!*

**Welcome to Mass** as we gather to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

The parable of the Sower presented to us today is one of Jesus' most well known. He talks about the fact that, like a seed, the Word of God is sown in people's hearts. The sowing is the straightforward part: it is what happens next that is more complex. The response of people to the good news of the gospel is—as we know from our experience—very varied. We will all know people whose faith is deep and serious, those who once practiced and do so no longer, and those for whom the Gospel is simply irrelevant. Like all Christ's parables, there are many lessons to be taken from this one. One is that the sowing is most important: there can be no growth without it. But that growth needs to be nurtured and encouraged, but ultimately each person's different response is their responsibility. While we cannot remove every distraction and problem from people's lives, we can offer the Word of God and encourage its growth. But we must not neglect to tend the seed that has been sown in our own hearts too.

Later this year, a fundamental part of the newly announced forthcoming Deanery Visitation, will be a seeking to find the best way to serve Christ and His Church using our current resources. Please see the note about this on the sheet. There will be opportunities for us all to engage with the Diocesan Vision in conversation with the Archbishop or Episcopal Vicar, one of whom will be visiting all the parishes of the Deanery.

*God bless, Fr Stephen*

**New & Improved Livestream:** St Peter's livestream has moved to YouTube click here—[St Peter's Leamington Spa - YouTube](#) or go to YouTube and search for St Peter's Leamington Spa. We are grateful to the kind donor who has paid the one-off costs.

**The QR code for today's readings:** Simply scan on your smart phone. This works for every day.



**Children's Liturgy:** At Our Lady's during Sunday 9:15am Mass, in term time. All welcome. A big **thank you** to all who make this possible.

**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 true unity among all Christians, as God wills. As for Catholics, we need always to remember the truth of the Blessed Sacrament and receive it with care, attention and reverence. Blessed be Jesus in the most Holy Sacrament of

**Pastimes Community Hub:** 12-3.00 every Tuesday in the hall. A warm welcome, company, refreshments, and activities. Do come, bring a friend!

**A Light in the Darkness: Concert at St. Peter's:** 22nd July 7pm, St Peter's and Our Lady's choristers will be joined by local brass band CSB for an exciting concert at St Peter's mixing brass and choral pieces. Tickets are on sale shortly and proceeds will go towards the cost of the new heating system. For further information, please contact Anne-Claire on 07963430860., Book by scanning this QR code.



**Friday Luncheon Club:** Friday 28th July at 1pm at Cote Restaurant, in Livery Court, Leamington. Please write your names on the list on the notice board in the Church porch. New members always welcome.

**St. Peter's Piety Shop:** The Piety Shop at St. Peter's has recently been restocked, please pop in and have a look. There are cards for every occasion, Rosaries, Prayer Cards, Candles and more. There will be more stock arriving soon so worth a further visit and we take card now too.

**Catholic Leamington Justice and Peace:** prayer intention for July is: 'We thank you Lord for the precious gift of water. May we all use it wisely and not waste it.'

**Servers and Serving:** Thank you to our servers at both churches.

**We'd love a few more! See Fr Stephen at Our Lady's or St Peter's or Bob, the Master of Ceremonies, at St Peter's.**

**Catholic Leamington Website:** We would like to find a new volunteer

to look after this. Could that be you?

**Donating to St Peter's:** It is possible to give online by simply scanning this QR code. Parishes **won't survive** without your giving! **Thank you**



**Church Heating:** At St Peter's we have now applied for permission from to spend the large sum involved. Alas, we have not been able to obtain the usual three quotations for the work, but time is obviously moving on if we are to warm this winter.

**Parking at Our Lady's:** While the health centre is being constructed next to Our Lady's Church, **parking is extremely limited**. Please park without blocking our neighbours' drives or obstructing the view at junctions. **Thank you.**

**SPAN:** At our July meeting we agreed £300 for refugees fleeing into South Sudan, £300 to install boreholes and build latrines in Ghana, £300 towards youth activities in South Leamington, £188 for a needy family request from Family Services, £100 for Darfur via CAFOD. This is in addition to our core monthly support. Thanks for your support.

**Deanery Visitation & The Diocesan Vision** This deanery and all its parishes (the Deanery of Banbury & Warwick) will have an official Visitation carried out by the Archbishop and the Episcopal Vicar from this October to July next year. This is an opportunity for us all—Archbishop, priests and people—to consider how our local parishes and deaneries may best serve the mission of Christ and His Church. These reflections will then be written up and presented. The Visitation will begin and end with a liturgy. The Archbishop or Episcopal Vicar will spend a weekend in each parish (or grouped parishes), celebrating Mass and meeting clergy and people. Coventry & Nuneaton Deanery have recently completed their Visitation and many ideas and ways forward came from that. There will be details of what's happening after the summer. Please take part when the time comes.

**Walking Together:** Our parish group is currently working on the export of our latest round of discussions.

**Last Weekend's Collections:**

SP: 1st - £586.86, 2nd - £425.06 (Apostleship of the Sea)

OL: 1st - £237.25 2nd - £135.20 (Apostleship of the Sea)

2nd Collection this weekend for: SP—Church Boilers

OL — Church Maintenance

Standing Orders in June - SP £3,810.00. OL £910.34.

**Thank you for all your giving.**

**Janice and Brian Austin:** Next Sunday morning at their parish of St Teresa and the Child Jesus in Filton, Bristol, Janice and Brian will be presented with the *Bene Merenti* Papal award. Those who would like to go please contact Jenny Armstrong [jenarmstrong@talktalk.net](mailto:jenarmstrong@talktalk.net). We congratulate Brian and Janice who are receiving the award for their commitment to justice and peace work here.

**Recycling for CAFOD:** The box is now at the back of St Peter's church for old mobile phones, jewellery, watches, cameras (broken or working), used stamps and coins. Please refer to the leaflets as we can only accept specific items. E.g. we take tablets but NOT laptops. Help raise funds for CAFOD.

**Fr Christopher** is very grateful for your helping him celebrate 30 years of priesthood on 29 June. He is now enjoying a well deserved holiday!

#### ARRANGING A BAPTISM

Congratulations on the birth of your baby! First of all, parents must begin the process by seeing Fr Stephen **in person** at a Sunday Mass. He can then check a few simple facts and give out a baptism application form. We do not deal with initial arrangements by phone, email or through other members of the family, but face to face. Parents are required to attend a preparation session before the baptism can take place.

#### ARRANGING A WEDDING

Congratulations on your engagement! To arrange a wedding, an initial meeting with Fr Stephen is necessary so that the canonical and civil processes can be explained and correctly followed. Couples need to give at least six months' notice.

#### JULY, MONTH OF THE PRECIOUS BLOOD

**Y**ou come to me and unite Yourself intimately to me under the form of nourishment. Your Blood now runs in mine, Your Soul, Incarnate God, compenetrates mine, giving courage and support. What miracles! Who would have ever imagined such!. *St Maximilian Kolbe*