

CATHOLIC LEAMINGTON

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Sunday 13th August 2023

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DAY	AT ST PETER'S	AT OUR LADY'S	INTENTION
SUNDAY 13th August 2023 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Confession 4.15-45pm 5.00pm Vigil Mass	~	Porsiana Beatrice's Intentions
	11.15am Mass	9.15am Mass	Pro Populo Private Intention
Monday 14th <i>Mem. of St. Maximilian Kolbe, Pr., Martyr</i>	10am Mass	~	Mary O'Mullane RIP
Tuesday 15th Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (of obligation)	7.00am 10.00am 7.00pm	12 noon	Lucy & Nisha Pietersz Sarah O'Mullane RIP Kathleen Hannan Elizabeth Clancy
Wednesday 16th <i>Opt. Mem. of St. Stephen of Hungary</i>	~	10am Mass	Mr. M. E. Connolly; Hamda Kousan
Thursday 17th <i>Feria</i>	10am Mass	~	Victims of the Omagh Bombing 25th Anniversary
Friday 18th <i>Feria</i>	10am Mass	~	Christine Williamson RIP
Saturday 19th <i>Opt. Mem. of St. John Eudes, Priest</i>	Holy Hour 9am Confession 9.15-45am 10am Mass	~	Flor Duckett RIP 1st Anniversary
	Confession 4.15-45pm 5.00pm Vigil Mass	~	Mary McGivern; Mary Shannon RIP
SUNDAY 20th 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time	11.15am Mass	9.15am Mass	E.C. Kuriakose & Family's Intentions Maggie Henderson-Gill RIP; Marguerite Ayres RIP

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, Chris. Carter, 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, Fr. Tony Rohan, Margaret Smith, Christine Tam, Terena Tam, Terry Tam, 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: Carina Smith, Mairead Lewis, Kathleen Couzens, Mary Kearney, Winifred Moore, John "Vince" Coleman, Mary O'Mullane, Jonas Kunigiskis, Christopher Daly, Mary Shannon, Helen Bowen, Marguerite Ayres, Bartholomew O'Driscoll, Flor Duckett, Mary O'Connor, Bernadette Bradshaw, Archbishop Bernard Griffin, Mgr. Canon Bernard Manion, Fr. Thomas Dennison, Fr. Michael McGarth, Fr. Kevin Keany, Fr. Terence Smith, Deacon Douglas Taylor. **The recently deceased:** Donald Byrne, Patricia Robinson, Deirdre McConville, Czeslaw Golub, George Wall, Elizabeth Hastings, Sara Gillies, Philip Antrobus, Christine Williamson, Catherine O'Sullivan. **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. The Parishes operate in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are: **Our Lady's** Claire Walsh email sg.ccolc.lillington@rcaob.org.uk ; **St Peter's** Theresa Goh or Susan Chan email sg.stpeterapostle.leamington@rcaob.org.uk ; **St Joseph's** Honor Hynes email sg.stjoseph.whitnash@rcaob.org.uk. The Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 or at safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.



AUGUST, MONTH OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

Mary pondered all these things and treasured them in her heart (St Luke's Gospel, 2:19)
Immaculate Mary, our hearts are on fire, that title so wondrous fills all our desire!



St Peter's, St Joseph's & Our Lady's Churches are part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham. Reg. Charity No. 234216.

Welcome to Mass The vivid story of Peter on the water, stepping out with all too brief confidence before he becomes afraid and starts sinking, is an event familiar to many. It begins with an act of faith—'If it's you Lord, tell me to come to you across the water'. 'Come!', and Peter does only to lose his confidence. But again he calls out to Jesus 'Save me!'. Peter's character in the gospels is often impetuous. He readily steps on to the sea, just as he readily acclaimed Jesus the Son of God and is made the rock on which the church is built, denied him outside the high priest's house and yet rejoices to greet Him risen from the dead. Christ takes his faults and all, for He can see that at Peter's heart is faith, a faith that after the resurrection becomes sure. He never sinks again! *God bless, Fr Stephen*

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



New & Improved St Peter's Livestream: is on YouTube click here—[St Peter's Leamington Spa - YouTube](#) or go to YouTube and search for St Peter's Leamington Spa.

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 the Altar!

St Joseph's, Whitnash: This Tuesday Fr David Harley begins his ministry as parish priest of St Joseph's, Whitnash. Please pray for the parish and its new priest and in thanksgiving for the ministry of Fr Noel.

Pastimes Community Hub: 12-3pm Tuesdays in the hall. A warm welcome, company, refreshments, activities. Do come, bring a friend!

Parish Sunday Roast Sunday 27 Aug 1pm in St Peter's Hall. £15 for three courses, booking sheet at the back of St Peter's Church.

Fr Stephen's Induction: Advance Notice: Wed 13 Sept 7.00pm (at St Peter's. Refreshments follow.

Eucharistic Ministers: There will be meetings for the ministers of both parishes in September. There will be a time of Eucharistic adoration but also discussion of ideas to raise the profile of this ministry and consider practicalities in church and when visiting. Details soon.

SPAN: Our next meeting is September 11th, but we continue to respond to appeals and will send annual support funds to 2 African priests: Fr Kasozi in Uganda and Fr Mwanza in Zambia. Thank you for your continued support.

Our Lady's Autumn Bazaar Saturday 23 September: Thank you to those who are volunteering to raise funds for Our Lady's church building. We shall have quite a bill to pay to stop the roof leaking and repair the rotten high level woodwork. Architect's visit awaited.

Pastimes Jumble Sale: Pastimes will be holding a Jumble Sale in aid of the Church heating on **Sat 30th Sept 2023**. More details to follow.

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? Thinking about being confirmed? Our weekly *Come and See* sessions will be starting on **Wed 4th Oct 7.30pm**, in St. Peter's Parish Centre. Contact 01926 428399, or email rcia.cathleam@gmail.com to register interest or for more information. Details at <https://www.catholicleamington.org.uk/exploring-the-catholic-faith.html>

Fr John's Farewell: On 11 Oct 7pm Fr John will be back for his farewell Mass at St Peter's. This is an opportunity to thank him for his work in both parishes during his years here. Refreshments follow.

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 as circumstances change. Please take part when the time comes.

Our Lady's Piety Shop As always, open for business.

St. Peter's Piety Shop: The Piety Shop at St. Peter's has been restocked, please have a look. You can pay by card via your smartphone using the same QR code that you may use to donate, as below.

Donating to St Peter's: It is possible to give online by simply scanning this QR code. You can also pay for purchases at the piety stall in this way. **Thank you**



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 to volunteer

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 giving local residents any reason to complain. **Thank you.**

Justice & Peace: Prayer intention for August: We thank you Lord, for the precious gift of water and we pray for the work of development agencies who help others to access clean water.

Last Weekend's Collections:

SP: 1st - £549.03, 2nd - £394.68 (Church Boilers)

OL: 1st - £170.00, 2nd - £119.50 (Church Maintenance)

2nd Collection this weekend for: SP—Church Boilers

OL — Church Maintenance

Standing Orders in July - SP £3,350.00. OL £915.34.

Thank you for all your giving.

SP 200 Club: In the August Draw 1st Prize (£50) to A. Bracey, 2nd Prize (£20) to C. O'Grady & 3 Prize (£10) to C. Hawkes. Congratulations to the Winners!

Walking Together: Our Stage 2 Report is now available on the website www.catholicleamington.org.uk/synod. With 94 ideas for practical steps that could be taken locally were expressed by participants from our 3 churches. It forms a helpful document to assist us in developing our communities to share our faith.

Volunteering Most things that go on in church life are totally reliant on volunteers. Many things that we might want to develop arising from the diocesan vision, from *Walking Together*, from the need for fundraising will all need volunteers. Please consider, when appeals are made—or even before! - if you might be some who can help in some practical way. A big thank you to all the volunteers we have!

Readers Needed for 5pm Please consider joining the readers' rota for the Saturday Vigil Mass. See Fr Stephen or Paul Milton. Thank you.

Red Missio Boxes: If you have a Red box which needs emptying please drop it into the Sacristy after Mass any weekend during August. Thank you for your on going support.

Accommodation Required: A Catholic Leamington lady parishioner, a friend of Jenny and Paul Hayden, is looking for a 1 or 2 bedroom apartment to rent in Leamington. If anyone knows of any possible apartments, please contact jennyhayden444@gmail.com

Job Opportunity: Warwick University Chaplaincy Co-Ordinator (Part time - Salary circa £15k for 18.25 hrs per week) This is a vital role and requires an individual with the ability to organise a busy workload, deal with various tasks simultaneously and juggle competing priorities. For further details and how to apply see Chaplaincy.Coordinator@107770-0723 - University of Warwick (tal.net) See [The University of Warwick: Chaplaincy](http://TheUniversityofWarwick.Chaplaincy) for information about the chaplaincy

St Peter's Hall The hall reopens for hire by organisations and people who are not connected to the parish from September. Please encourage any group or individual you know who needs a room to hire it. **To be clear**, the hall needs to be hired for ten hours a week at our rate of £40 per hour *simply to cover the overheads*. Since the pandemic, the level of use has not resumed. We simply can't afford to let it out indefinitely if costs are not covered.

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.

ARRANGING A BAPTISM

Congratulations on the birth of your baby! First, 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 need to attend a preparation session before the baptism can take place.