

# CATHOLIC LEAMINGTON

## 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time: Sunday 5th November 2023

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DAY	AT ST PETER'S	AT OUR LADY'S	INTENTION
<b>SUNDAY 5th November</b> <i>31st Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	Confession 4.15-45pm <b>5.00pm Vigil Mass</b>	~	Monica McVeigh RIP
	<b>11.15am Sung Mass</b>	<b>9.15am Sung Mass</b> <i>No Children's Liturgy</i>	Pro Populo Val Jones' Birthday Intentions
Monday 6th <i>Feria</i>	10am Mass	~	Sean White RIP
Tuesday 7th <i>Feria</i>	<b>9.30am</b> Mass 7pm Vespers & Benedic- tion: Deanery Visitation	~	Laura Salvi & Tommaso Ro- mano
Wednesday 8th <i>Opt. Mem. of Bl. George Napier, Pr. Martyr</i>	~	10am Mass	Elizabeth Hastings RIP
Thursday 9th <b>Feast of the Dedication of Lateran Basilica</b>	10am Mass	~	Holy Souls
Friday 10th <i>Mem. of St. Leo the Great Pope, Doctor</i>	10am Mass <i>with SP Sch</i> 3pm Divine Mercy	~	Anthony Booth
Saturday 11th <i>Mem. of St. Martin of Tours, Bp.</i>	Confession 9.15am 10am Mass Confession 4.15-45pm <b>5.00pm Vigil Mass</b>	~ ~	Deceased members of the Tudor Family Miss L. Foster RIP
<b>SUNDAY 12th</b> <i>32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time:</i> <b>Remembrance Sunday</b>	<i>NOTE CHANGE OF TIME FOR REMEMBRANCE ONLY</i> <b>11.30am</b> Sung Mass	<b>9.15am Sung Mass</b> <i>Children's Liturgy</i>	People of the Parish The Fallen

**Sunday Masses at St Joseph's, Whitnash: 10am & 5:30pm.** Details on their website: [stjoseph47.org.uk](http://stjoseph47.org.uk)

**Our prayers for the Sick:** Giovanni Allurlino, Marie-Claire Banner, Edward Behan, Sarah Bonnalie, Pam Brambles, Portia Brightburn, Norman Byrne, Chris Carter, Mario Fasi, Wilfrid Feely, Joe Graham, David Grayling, Eileen Hiorns, Sandra Hunt, Sheila Ireland, Mist Johnson, David Kendall, Una Maddocks, Nathaniel Manning, Kate Miles, Fina Monastero, Philip Morris, Michael Mulcahy, Jo Murphy, Andrew Murray, Ahmed Musa, Paula Newton, Gill Parker, Fr. Malcolm Prince, Fr. Tony Rohan, Margaret Smith, John & Nell Smyth, 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:** Marcella Kehily, Roland O'Donnell, Nicola Frondella, Edward Waters, Dorothy Bates, Margaret McGreevy, Maria Mulchrone, Robin Harris, Vladislovas Strasinckas, Dona Plummer, Sheila Houghton, Francis Murphy, Anthony Willis, John Blake, Mary Price, Martin Quigley, Lynn Parker, Mgr. Bertram Gould, Cn. Patrick Smith, Cn. Eugene O'Sullivan, Cn. John Redford, Fr. James Curtin, Fr. Aengus Donlon, Fr. John Bromfield, Fr. John Brisland, Fr. Francis Dawson, Fr. Derek Edwards, Fr. Cyril Duck. **The recently deceased:** Alice Westerfield, Peter Curran, Betty Cheverton, Robert Bailey, Monica Gaffney, Patricia Keaney, Marion Owen, Mary Craig, Hilary Jones, Teresa D'Souza, Sean Bell, John Joseph White. **Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. May their souls and the souls of all 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 and procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are: **Our Lady's** Claire Walsh email [sg.ccolcl.lillington@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.ccolcl.lillington@rcaob.org.uk); **St Peter's** Theresa Goh or Susan Chan email [sg.stpeterapostle.leamington@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.stpeterapostle.leamington@rcaob.org.uk) **The Diocesan Safeguarding Team** can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 or at [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk) if you have any concern.

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## NOVEMBER, MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

### ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM O LORD

'We must empty purgatory with our prayers'. St Padre Pio

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**WELCOME TO MASS** as we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ. The scriptures today are challenging. The priests in Malachi's time are rebuked for their false teaching. The source of all holy teaching is God Himself. So in the Gospel today Jesus is not simply banning the use of three words, but reminding us of the true source of all fatherhood, teaching and respect. Not any of us, but God Himself.

God bless, *Fr Stephen*

**THE QR CODE FOR TODAY'S READINGS:** Simply scan on your smart phone. This works for every day.



**ST PETER'S LIVESTREAM:** is on YouTube click here—[St Peter's Leamington Spa - YouTube](#)

**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 Jesus with care, attention and reverence. *Blessed be Jesus in the most Holy Sacrament of the Altar!*

**SECOND COLLECTION TODAY:** is for the Johnson Fund, the diocesan fund for sick and retired priests.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY AT OL'S 9:15:** Half-term break 29 Oct & 5 Nov

**NOVEMBER—MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS:** We pray throughout November for those who have died. Envelopes for particular names are available as usual. There is a basket in sanctuary to receive them.

**PASTIMES COMMUNITY HUB:** Winter is drawing in. We provide a warm place to meet for company, refreshments (including soup and rolls), and a variety of activities - Tuesdays 12-3pm. A warm welcome in a warm place. Do come!

**OPENING OF THE DEANERY VISITATION: Tues Nov 7pm.** A celebration of Vespers & Exposition with Benediction with Archbishop Bernard before the opening meeting in the hall. This is for all parishioners of all parishes in the deanery.

**KINDAID QUIZ:** Fri 10 Nov 7pm at Our Lady's

**NEXT SUNDAY MORNING:** St Peter's Mass will be at **11.30am** (and NOT 11.15am) because of the Remembrance Service in the town.

**SPAN:** Our next SPAN meeting will be on **Mon 13 Nov** at 7.30 pm in St Peter's Hall. All very welcome.

**WALKING TOGETHER—'BECOMING MORE INCLUSIVE AND WELCOMING' (TOPIC GROUP 2):** Our Topic Groups are now meeting and taking action on the many areas in the Walking Together Report (see [catholicleamington.org.uk](http://catholicleamington.org.uk) under synod). Topic Group 2 next meeting: **15 Nov 7:30pm at Our Lady's Lower Hall.** Please come and support us. Peter Dimambro on [mdimambro@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:mdimambro@hotmail.co.uk) 01926 428399

**ST. PETER'S BOILERS FUNDRAISER: CURRY NIGHT:** The Indian Christian Community are having a fundraiser for the St. Peter's Church Boilers—a **Curry Night**. **THIS IS NOW FULLY BOOKED**—apologies to anyone disappointed.

**BLESSING OF GRAVES:** The annual Blessing of Graves at Leamington Cemetery will be on **Nov 19 at 2.30pm.**

**THE DIOCESAN VISION** There will be a local meeting to begin to implement the Vision in the Warwick area on **Mon 20 Nov 7pm at St Joseph's, Whitnash.** Each parish has official representatives but the meeting is open to all. It will be chaired by Canon John Bathula, the Dean and facilitated by Peter Rand, a parishioner at Kenilworth.

**ST PETER'S CHRISTMAS FAIR: Nov 25 1 - 4 pm.** This ever popular event is less than a month away, and is a great source of bargains and Christmas presents. Donations of goods can be brought to the hall during Pastimes, Tuesdays 12-3pm. Draw tickets now available—prizes of £100, £50 and £25. A book of five costs £5.

**ST PETER'S SCHOOL CHRISTMAS WREATH MAKING WORKSHOP:** In aid of school funds on 4 Dec. Details [here](#) if you are reading this online, or ask at school in person.

**DEANERY VISITATION:** Our Visitation will be on **27 & 28 Jan 2024.**

**ST PETER'S BOILERS: ONLY 4 MORE SUNDAYS WITHOUT HEATING!**

The old boilers have been removed and the heating vents have been checked and cleaned. Installation should begin in about two weeks. Thanks to the freely-given work of PR firm R&Co we have made it to *Warwickshire Life* and the *Leamington Observer*. Donations may be made via the QR code, through the website, your own labelled envelope

or via —<https://gofund.me/d4561fac> or in the occasional second collections for church maintenance. We have raised just over £45,000. *Thank you very much indeed.*

**DONATING TO ST PETER'S:** You may give online via the website OR by simply scanning this QR code on your smart phone. You can also pay at the piety stall by smart phone. *Thank you*

**OUR LADY'S 100 CLUB** In January we are starting a 100 club in aid of the church maintenance fund. If you would like to join I will be in the church hall each Sunday after Mass or you can contact me on 07950144450. £12 per year for each number you have. There will be 2 prizes each month; 1<sup>st</sup> prize £25, 2<sup>nd</sup> prize £15. Each draw will take place on the fourth Sunday of the month starting January 28. The more numbers you have the better chance of winning! Sue Sugars

**MASS INTENTIONS:** To have a Mass said fill in a yellow envelope from the back of Church and post it with your donation through Presbytery letterbox or put in collection or give to the Piety Shop. *Thanks*

**SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION FOR CHILDREN NOT AT CATHOLIC SCHOOLS** *First Communion* classes will begin in January. *Confirmation* Classes will begin in April. These will take place at Our Lady's and be led by our team of catechists. Please contact Mary Rouse for full details and to enroll your child - [maryrouse@rocketmail.com](mailto:maryrouse@rocketmail.com)

**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 very limited.* Please park without giving local residents any reason to complain. *Thank you.*

**LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTIONS:** Not known at time of printing.

*Thank you for all your giving.*

**ST PETER'S HALL** The hall is *open for hire* by groups and people who are not connected to the parish. *We need bookings* as currently the hall loses us money every week. Hourly rate £40, discount for all day bookings. Email [hall.stpeterapostle.leamington@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:hall.stpeterapostle.leamington@rcaob.org.uk)

**NOTE:** parish organisations are *not* subject to this rate.

**WALKING TOGETHER:** The first part of the universal phase of the Synod in Rome has ended. The participants have sent a message to the People of God and produced a Synthesis Report called 'A Synodal Church in Mission'. Read on [www.catholicleamington.org.uk/synod](http://www.catholicleamington.org.uk/synod)

**FROM FR JOHN:** Thank you for the great celebration of Mass and the Reception in the Parish Hall for my farewell Mass. It was lovely to be with you again. I am appreciative of your kindness in presenting me with some gifts and mementos. The cheque was unexpected but most welcome. The framed picture of the Pump Room Gardens and St Peter's Church will take pride of place. The opportunity to catch up and hear your news was good and I shall follow my old parish via the newsletter. Please keep me in your prayers, as I will remember you in mine. Every Blessing, Fr John

**CATHOLIC LEAMINGTON WEBSITE:** Could *you* look after it? Help is needed to maintain the site. Please volunteer to Fr Stephen

**PLEASE PRAY FOR PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST:**

*Lord God, your Son Jesus Christ took flesh and trod the soil of His homeland. We pray for all who live on that same soil today that hatred and violence may be replaced by justice and peace. Turn savage hearts from the way of death and let Your message of peace and life be heard once again as it was on the hills of Bethlehem at Jesus's birth. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen*

#### 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.

**MAY THE SOULS OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED**

✠ **REST IN PEACE.** ✠