

St Peter's Parish & Our Lady's Parish: *Part of Catholic Leamington*

Second Sunday Year A: Sunday 12th April 2026

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DAY	AT ST PETER'S Dormer Place CV32 5AA	AT OUR LADY'S Valley Road CV32 7SJ	INTENTION
SUNDAY 12th SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER OR DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY, THE OCTAVE DAY OF EASTER	4.15-4.45pm Confession 5pm: Vigil Mass	~	Sue Maher RIP; Anastasia "Cissy" Power RIP Anniv.
	11:15am Sung Mass <i>No Children's Liturgy</i> 3pm Divine Mercy Devotions, confession & Exposition	9.15am Sung Mass <i>No Children's Liturgy</i>	John Molloy RIP Anniv. Joseph Thomas RIP
Monday 13th <i>Opt. Mem. St. Martin, Pope, M.</i>	~	~	9:30am Mass at St. Mary Immaculate, Warwick.
Tuesday 14th <i>Easter Feria</i>	10am Mass	~	Emmanuel Toutoungi RIP; Percy Borge RIP
Wednesday 15th <i>Easter Feria</i>	~	10am Mass	Jack & Kitty Ryan RIP
Thursday 16th <i>Easter Feria</i>	10am Mass	~	Simon Rogers RIP Anniv.
Friday 17th <i>Easter Feria</i>	10am Mass 3pm Divine Mercy Devotions	~	Manuel Cristomo RIP
Saturday 18th <i>Easter Feria</i>	9am Holy Hour, 9:15 -45am Confessions, 10am Mass	~	Trinidad & Esteban Capua RIP
	4:15 -45pm Confessions 5pm: Vigil Mass	~	Ann Sayce RIP Anniv.; John Shannon
SUNDAY 19th THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER	11:15am Sung Mass <i>Children's Liturgy</i>	9.15am Sung Mass <i>Children's Liturgy</i>	Yvonne Denby RIP Rita Taylor RIP

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 sg.ccolc.lillington@rcaob.org.uk and at **St Peter's** Susan Chan sg.stpeterapostle.leamington@rcaob.org.uk **THESE EMAILS ARE FOR SAFEGUARDING ONLY. Parish and priest emails are at the top of this sheet.**

The **Diocesan Safeguarding Team** can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 or at safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.

Anniversaries of the faithful departed: Francis Garvey, Anastasia "Cissy" Power, Mary O'Sullivan, Christina Kavanagh, June Bell, Concetta Frondella, John Herlihy, Christina Collins, Mary Pettipher, Emmanuel Toutoungi, Bridget Punch, John Sheehan, John O'Loughlin, James Baker, Anne Alexander, Catherine Cronin, Margaret O'Brien, Maureen Finnesey, Rev. Fr. Patrick Emmanuel, Fr. Joseph Barr, Rev. Fr. Michael McManus, Rev. Fr. Anthony Browne, Rev. Fr. Peter Moore, Rev. Fr. Reginald Slade, Rev. Fr. Patrick Downey, Rev. Fr. Antony Conlon.

The recently deceased: Rita Taylor, Joe Gaughan, Tom McKenna, Barry Thurlow. **Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.**



CHRIST IS RISEN!

ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!



SCAN TO SEE THE
MASS READINGS

TEA & COFFEE

After Sunday
Morning Masses in the
church halls
All Welcome!

FACEBOOK PAGES

CATHOLIC LEAMINGTON is [here](#)
OUR LADY'S is [here](#)
Links from website too

MORE ALTAR SERVERS

ALWAYS WELCOME!

Young or old—see Fr Stephen, or Bob at
St Peter's, or Adrian at Our Lady's

WELCOME TO MASS: *If you are a visitor, or a new arrival in the area, do say hello to Fr Stephen, Deacon Paul, or Fr Kevin. There is tea and coffee and conversation available after both Masses on Sundays in the hall.* Scripture this Sunday. The story of St Thomas is as wonderful and human as it is well known. Thomas wants to see the proof of Jesus' resurrection, the risen Christ scarred by the nails and spear. He is granted that and makes such a profound but short declaration of faith in response. 'My Lord and my God!' is what he cries out to Jesus. The gift of faith is of course a mysterious one. The faith of different individuals may be weak or strong, lost or strengthened, constant or variable, always growing or merely perfunctory—or anything in between all of these. Thomas, as ancient tradition has it, went on to face a martyr's death in India (his tomb is in Mylapore in southern India). There are very ancient Christian communities in Kerala and elsewhere in southern India where the faith is very strong and very old. Like all the apostles, Thomas serves as a witness to the gospel and to the risen Jesus, and an example of faith made fearless. The confusion and sadness of the apostles is obvious in the gospels and yet equally obvious is how that confusion and sadness becomes the certain proclamation of the joy of the risen Christ, even at the cost of their own lives. Just as Christ rises from the dead, so His Church, despite the opposition it has so often faced, continues until the end of time.

Christ is risen! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! A very happy and a blessed Easter to you all. **God bless you, Fr Stephen**

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 unity among all Christians, as God wills. **Blessed be Jesus in the most Holy Sacrament of the Altar!**

THIS WEEKEND & THE WEEK AHEAD

HOLY ROSARY DEVOTION: Sunday 8:45am at OL and 10:45am at SP for discerning the renewed future of the parishes.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY: Divine mercy Devotions at 3pm in St Peter's
SPAN: Our open meeting is on Monday at SP's Davenport Room 7.30pm. All welcome.

PASTIMES COMMUNITY HUB: on Tuesday 12-3pm in SP Hall. Come and play or learn to play Whist in St. Peter's Hall. Sessions at 1:30pm.

STUDY & REFLECTION ON SUNDAY MASS READINGS: On Fridays from 11am-12pm Davenport Room upstairs in SP hall. All welcome.

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTIONS: From next Friday, 17 April, 3pm St Peter's. At the hour of Mercy come to implore mercy for the world and to praise God!

COMING SOON

KENELM YOUTH TRUST: Next Sat - 18 April the Kenelm Youth Trust (responsible for youth work in the Archdiocese) has a day conference in SP hall. Some of those attending will also come to the 5pm Mass that day, with musicians. There will also be an afternoon time of exposition.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM: Pilgrims are invited to travel to 'England's Nazareth' on Saturday 9 May. More info - www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/event/all-welcome-diocesan-day-pilgrimage-to-walsingham-2026

SPARK YOUTH GROUP: The next meetings of our Youth Group for school years 5,6,7 and 8 are 30 April, 21 May, 25 June, 16 July in the Dormer Centre.

OTHER INFORMATION

FINANCIAL SKILLS?: Are there any St Peter's parishioners with experience in finance who would consider joining the Finance Committee? Being a qualified accountant, an investment banker or running a company are not essential of course but the relevant skills in reading accounts,

budget setting, probing spending and income and so on would be a great help. Please see Fr Stephen if you can help in this way.

MARRIAGE SUPPORT: If you are just in a rut or for more serious issues, Retrouvaille could help. www.retrouvaille.org.uk or 0797 3380443

YOUNG ADULT GROUP (YAG) 18-30: text Freya 07565 142204 (WhatsApp) or connect via Instagram @catholicleamingtonyag

LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTIONS: Good Friday Collection for Holy Places - £822.30, 2nd Collections this week are for: **SP: Church Maintenance, OL: OL Vision. Thank you for your generosity.**

MASS INTENTIONS PLEASE NOTE: The **minimum amount of time** needed to book dates is **2 weeks from date of request**. We currently have availability in May for weekend Masses.

7 DAY CANDLES: During April the **Our Lady Chapel** candle burns: **In Memory of Simon Rogers RIP**. Envelopes are at back of church. Please post in the collection at Mass with a donation of £5.

PASTORAL COUNCIL: Members are **always happy** to hear from parishioners' ideas. Details of members are in the churches porches or email martinfoley73@gmail.com.

PUTTING OUR VISION FOR OUR LADY'S INTO ACTION: If you haven't already, please fill in a yellow Talents Challenge Card & pop it into the secure box on the Vision Table. Introductory sessions are continuing for Vision & Action groups. *Thank you*

OL ROOF FUND FIGURE TO 1 APRIL: The net total amount in the OL Roof Fund is: **£38,019.69**. The *next update* will be 3rd May 2026. *All tiles bought in 2026 will be doubled!* **Thank you for your generosity.**

ALTAR SERVERS: *We'd love more servers!* See **Bob at St Peter's, or Adrian at Our Lady's.**

CANDLES FOR UKRAINE: *In both Our Lady's and St Peter's* these can be placed in the box at the back of church or in the Hall. Please, **no** tin or glass, just candles— any candle that's unwanted or unusable, broken, stubs, left overs...

BEING INFORMED: The Vatican website is here [The Holy See](http://TheHolySee)
The Archdiocesan website is here [Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Birmingham](http://RomanCatholicArchdioceseofBirmingham)
It is possible to subscribe to a weekly news letter by email
The Deanery website is here [Banbury & Warwick Catholic Deanery](http://Banbury&WarwickCatholicDeanery)
These are live links; click on a digital version of this sheet to go directly.

THANK YOU for all your support, hard work, prayers, and encouragement over Holy Week and Easter. So much effort with such lovely results. May the risen Christ bless our two parishes, and all who came to share in the wonder of Holy Week and Easter. **Thank you all**

HOLY LAUGHTER: There is an ancient Eastern Orthodox Church tradition of telling jokes at Easter so that we laugh at the devil's defeat by the resurrection of Christ. In that spirit, therefore, I told my Easter eggs a great joke. They cracked up...

ARRANGING A WEDDING

Congratulations on your engagement! To arrange a wedding, you must **begin with a meeting of you both with Fr Stephen** so that the canonical (Church) and civil processes can be followed. At least six months' notice is ideal. Please make yourself known to Fr Stephen.

ARRANGING A BAPTISM

Congratulations on the birth of your baby! Parents must begin the process by seeing Fr Stephen in person at a Sunday Mass. He can then check a few facts and give out a baptism application form. We can't deal with **initial arrangements by phone, email or through friends or other family members**, but face to face—you are asking for your child to join the community of the Church, so we welcome you to come and meet its members here.

DIVINE MERCY

Jesus, I trust in You!

There are Divine Mercy Devotions at 3pm at St Peter's, including Exposition and Confession



Our prayers for the Sick: Bill, Giovanni Allurlino, Leticia Alvarez-Shanahan, Marie Clare Banner, Edward Behan, Jim Bell, Sarah Bonnalie, Pam Brambles, Silvia Brookes, Lee Burbury, Norman Byrne, Mario Fasi, Wilfrid Feely, Barbara Gekoski, Joan Gibbons, Joe Graham, Eileen Hiorns, Mist Johnson, David Kendall, John Kiernan, Peter McCarthy, Una Maddocks, David Mander, Deborah Meades, Kate Miles, Fina Monastero, Michael Mulcahy, Paula Newton, Gill Parker, Jane Parker, John Sawyer, Gilly Schweigert, Arlene Slinn, Nell Smyth, Bridie Streeter, Christine Tam, Terena Tam, Terry Tam, Elizabeth Weston, Peter Wright, & all those at home, or in the nursing homes, and hospitals of the Parish, who receive Holy Communion at home.

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.