

CATHOLIC LEAMINGTON: Third Sunday of Easter (B)

Sunday 18th April 2021

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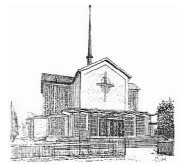
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St Joseph's

Sunday 18th

Third Sunday of Easter

9:00: People of the Parish

5:30: In Thanksgiving

Monday 19th

7:00: Mary Corrigan & Family

Tuesday 20th

9:30: Fr. Pat Joyce RIP;
John Breslin

Thursday 22nd

7:00: Rose Gately
Ron Forbes Anniversary

Friday 23rd

9:30: Mary James & Betty Gilvarry

Saturday 24th

9:30: Kathleen O'Shea;
Anne Fraser

Sunday 25th

Fourth Sunday of Easter

9:00: Val & Brian Murray & Family's Intentions

5:30: Joe & Rose McGreevy

Confessions:

St. Peter's, Our Lady's, St Joseph's : after Mass.

Mass Availability at St. Peter's

Please note that our Mass intentions are fully booked for the Sunday 11am Mass until November. We can be more accommodating with weekday Masses and the 9am Sunday Mass.

Saints of the week

Wednesday 21st April

Opt. Memorial of St. Anselm, Bishop, Doctor of the Church

Friday 23rd April

Solemnity of St. George, Martyr, Patron of England

Saturday 24th April

Opt. Memorial of St. Adalbert, Bishop, Martyr

Opt. Memorial of St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest, Martyr

St Peter's & Our Lady's

Saturday 17th

OL 12:30: Mary Burke

Sunday 18th

Third Sunday of Easter

SP 9:00: Emmanuel Toutoungi RIP

SP 11:00: Ann Sayce

Monday 19th

SP 9:30: Paul White

Tuesday 20th

SP 11:00: Emmanuel Toutoungi RIP

Wednesday 21st

SP 11:00: Fr. Pat Sayles ***Please note Mass Time & Location***

Thursday 22nd

SP 11:00: Serafina & Pietro Nigliazzo

Friday 23rd

SP 11:00: **Requiem Mass: Bernadette Parker - Family Only**

Saturday 24th

SP 9:30: Montague Pendleton RIP

OL 12:30: Those who have no-one to pray for them

Sunday 25th

Fourth Sunday of Easter

SP 9:00: John Shannon

SP 11:00: Lourdes Santos

The recently deceased of our churches:

Eileen Lawless, HRH The Duke of Edinburgh, Mary Rogerson,
Daniel Byrne, Bernadette Parker, Graham Cane
May they rest in peace.

Anniversaries of the faithful departed: Emmanuel Toutoungi, David Shanahan, Teresa Webber, Mick Long, Robbie Burns, Paul Thacker, Thomas Maher, Mary Bowen, Mary Ruby, Sally Lamont, Angele Handford, John Ryan, Betty Butler, Kevin Purdy, James O'Regan, Lily Jenkins, Ian Jermond, Margaret Aitkin, John O'Sullivan, Vincent Reilly, Bernadette Cordina, Eileen, Singleton, Irene Sudlow, Molly Mulroney, Elizabeth MacDonald, Bishop Patrick Leo McCartie, Fr. Peter Moore, Fr. William Smith, Fr. Reginald Slade, Fr. Patrick Downey, Fr. Anthony Conlon, Fr. Hugh Griffin, Fr. Andrew Kenny, Fr. Oswald Joyce, Fr. Liam Bouchier, Fr. Patrick Quilty, Fr. Benjamin Cox, Fr. Wilfrid Davenport, Fr. Desmond Donnelly, Fr. Peter Dennison, Deacon Peter Seeney. **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**

Items for the newsletter should be sent by 1 pm Wednesday to stpeterapostle.leamington@rcaob.org.uk
Or St Joseph's stjoseph.whitnash@rcaob.org.uk

Our prayers for the Sick: Caleb O'Neill, Anne Kirby, Anne Fraser, Bridie Daly, John Curran, Peter Curran, Rev Graham Coles, Portia Brightburn, Cyril Sheard, Dermot Hurley, Giovanni Allurlino, Edward Behan, Pam Brambles, Mary Craig, Mario Fasi, Edna Hale, Eileen Hiorns, Estelle Holmes, John Ireson, Mist Johnson, David Kendall, Mgr Christopher Lightbound, Antonina La Spisa, Nathaniel Manning, Kate Miles, Paula Newton, Jim Olexa, Fr Malcolm Prince, Ann Reilly, Marie-Clare Banner, Patricia Robinson, Peggy Rowlands, 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.

Lord Jesus, watch over all who suffer and are in pain. Bless all those who care for them.

St Peter's & Our Lady's

Seven-day candles:

The Main Altar candle burns for **Terence Keenan**

The St. Joseph's Chapel candle burns for **Michael Hannan**

Dear Parishioners,

This week the schools begin their new term and there is a sense that we are getting back into some semblance of order. It is nearly but not quite business as usual because after so many months of lockdowns I feel the need to be extremely careful to protect the health, safety and well-being of those who attend Church Services.

This brings me on to the reopening of the Parish Halls. Next week I will be having the St. Peter's Hall risk assessed by a professional. I could do it myself but as I mentioned last week this is probably not the best use of my time and I do not want to scrimp on matters of safety.

At the moment there are limitations on numbers but I will have a much clearer idea of this after the report is completed. I will need to implement the recommended safety procedures as well as explain to each hirer their responsibilities. The area of the toilets is an issue. As you know the toilets in the Sacristy are not open now. This is because the Sacristy is part of the house, the workplace of the Clergy and Parish Staff. In the longer term we need to think about a better place for our WCs. A place which has the space for a Wheelchair user and a baby changing area. Those we have are completely inadequate. Similarly the loos in the Parish Hall can not just be opened up. Current legislation suggests a one in one out regime. But also we must be aware of the need to clean the space to provide a safe environment. So often I hear people say well this shop or that pub do this or that. My concern is for your safety and the safety of those who will clean & sanitise afterwards. Hence the risk assessment. Once this is done we will know how best to proceed.

On a brighter note we will be printing a newsletter once again on Saturday 1st/Sunday 2nd May. Initially this will be a run of just 100 copies for those who can not access the website or print a copy.

Some further information on last week's maintenance checklist I provided to the parish, last Monday 12th April we had the annual Tower Inspection by the Steeplejacks. This took up most of the morning, however it is these half day jobs which keep the Church safe and secure for all those who visit. This job together with a safety required job in the Hall has cost the Parish over £5,000.

Every Blessing,

Fr. John.

St. Peter's and Our Lady's Private Prayer

The Churches will be open 30 minutes before Mass during the Week for Private Prayer. Please see the front page for Mass times.

St Joseph's

The Church now is open to the Public for all Masses

All Masses will be Live Streamed

We continue to be very grateful to our Stewards & Cleaners who continue to help us open the Church to the Public.

Confessions will be heard on request.

Social distancing and strict cleaning regimes will be in place.



This week
Our Lady's
Seven Day
Candle
burns for **James
Ballantine RIP**

Our Lady's 7 Day Candle Intentions for 2021: Dates are now available from 11th July onwards, please place your request together with your donation (£5.00) through the Presbytery letterbox.

Gift Aid Envelopes: Boxes of yellow Gift Aid Envelopes for the next tax year commencing 6th April are now available for collection from the Sacristy. If there is anyone who is a tax payer and would like to join the Gift Aid Scheme which allows us to claim back 25% tax on the donations you make, please contact Patrick Murphy 07711 346 405.

200 Club: Congratulations to Tony Cotter and Alison McLeary, who won the 1st (£50) and 2nd (£30) prizes in March's 200 Club draw. Congratulations also to Anna Jelonek (1st), Jackie Bowen (2nd) and Kath Fasi (Easter) who were the winners of the prizes in the April draw. The next collection and draw will take place on Sunday, 9th May. All the profits go to the Church's Building Fund and will be put towards the major repairs due on the Church and Parish Hall. We are always keen to welcome new participants to the draw, which only costs £1 per month. Please contact Anne or Carol after Mass or via the Presbytery/Office.

Red Missio Boxes: In 2020 our community of St Joseph's raised **£1,241.69** through our Red Boxes and other donations to Missio and the Mill Hill Missionaries. Thank You! Communities around the world are so grateful that people here in Whitnash are supporting them through prayer and our generous donations. The missionaries, and the communities they serve, are living in such difficult circumstances, made even harder by Covid-19. They have asked us to pass on their thanks, and tell us that they pray for us all. Find out more at mission.org.uk

We are also pleased to announce that we have a new Local Secretary for the boxes at St Joseph's, Kim Pope, who will be starting to collate the boxes this month, Please return your Red Boxes to the Sacristy by Sunday 25th April so that they can be emptied and then re-issued to you. If you currently have a Red Box at home which you no longer wish to use then please return it to the Sacristy so that it can be re-issued.

The Seven Day Candles: are a great way to provide a devotion to a loved one or for your own intention. The 7 day candles are designed to display the presence of God in the Church. If you would like to book a 7 day candle for your intentions please collect an envelope at the back of Church, suggested donation is £10.00 and return it, either in the collection or via St. Peter's Presbytery door. Thank you.

St Peter's & Our Lady's

SAFEGUARDING: St Peter's Kate Tennyson email safeguarding.splsps@gmail.com, Our Lady's Claire Walsh 01926 430070; St Joseph's Honor Hynes email safeguarding.stjosephs@gmail.com. The **Archdiocese Safeguarding Team** can be contacted on 0121 230 6240. An independent support group for survivors of abuse free tel. 0808 801 0331.

Plate Collections Last Week:

SP - 1st - £394.39 (of which Gift Aided - £75.00) 2nd - Gift Aid - £84.00

OL - 1st—£35.03 (of which Gift Aided - £10.00) 2nd - Gift Aid - £1.00

Thank you for your continued generosity.

There will be a Second Collection at all Churches next week for the Clergy Training Fund

Fr. Benedict's Homily: Fr. Benedict's homilies can be accessed each week from his website frbenedict.blog

Zoom Prayers: The praying of the Rosary and Night Prayer on Zoom has resumed. You are very welcome to join us on Monday and Friday evenings at 8pm. The login details are the same for every meeting: **Meeting ID: 945 327 7340**

Passcode: pray

Trinity Catholic School: is looking for a Foundation Governor to join its Local Governing Board. You will be joining the school at an exciting time following its recent conversion to an academy and is a great opportunity to help write the next

chapter in its history. For more information, please contact Daniel on 07590351623 or dgraham@tcs.lourdesmac.org.uk.

Stewards & Welcomers: Thank you to our Stewards and Welcomers who do an excellent job at all our 3 churches, We still require more Stewards & Welcomers at all 3 churches, if you would like to volunteer please contact the following: for St. Peter's or Our Lady's please call St. Peter's Parish Office on 01926 423824 and please leave a message if no one available. For St. Joseph's please telephone 01926 772712 and if no one is available please leave a message

St. Peter's 200 Club: The 2nd 200 Club draw of 2021 took place on Tuesday and the winners of March's Draw are - 1st Prize (£50-00) - No.48 - Mrs. Graham. 2nd Prize (£20-00) - No. 135 - K. Hayes and 3rd Prize (£10-00) - No. 32 - N. Scarisbrick. The winners of April's Draw are - 1st Prize (£50-00) - No.91 - A. V. Coleman. 2nd Prize (£20-00) - No. 17 - J. Ayres and 3rd Prize (£10-00) - No. 145 - V. Coleman. Please could the winners contact the Parish Office to collect your winnings.

Climate Change Emergency: One of our parishioners, Brian Austin, has become a Community Champion for the Climate Coalition and would like to hear from anyone who is a member of any community group, such as the Womens' Institute, Lions, Rotary, Townswomens Guild, etc. Please contact him at cc.communitychamp@gmail.com. Thank you.

Catholic Leamington Website: Our website www.catholicleamington.org.uk has received some attention lately, although there is still more to do. But, thanks to Nollaig Doughan for offering to become our new Website Administrator! Nollaig will be taking over shortly and keeping it up to date and well organised. What we need now is for someone to work alongside him, so that the regular maintenance can be shared. If you can, let us know on the CONTACT US page.

SPAN: At our SPAN AGM Jenny Armstrong was elected Chair, Caroline Manning Vice Chair, Michael Barker Treasurer and Paul Hayden Secretary. The main meeting agreed to help fund the training of 20 vulnerable young women from the street communities of Accra, Ghana in tailoring and business and life skills; also HOPE Village in rural Kerala, Southern India, housing 70 children in 6 homes. We further agreed half the cost of an appeal being made by Coventry Refugee and Migrant Centre to grant Leave to Remain for a woman in a desperate situation. Next month SPAN hopes to donate to Darfur, Sudan through CAFOD. For more information see minutes on our website www.catholicleamington.org.uk/span

CAFOD Lent Fast Day / Walk for Water: Between us we have raised a massive **£2,742.39**. Thank you all so much, especially considering the difficult circumstances. This came from church collections – SJ £543.50; SP £431.00; OL £252.49; online giving £215.00, which makes £1441.99. Then, in addition, the CAFOD team walked for water raising £435.40 and Ann Allison set out to walk 10,000 steps a day, but ended up walking a massive 536,886 steps for £865. And this does not include any that were texted or donated online direct to CAFOD. Visit our website page <https://www.catholicleamington.org.uk/cafod.html>

Friends of the Holy Land: Our 2021 Pentecost Challenge is launched, with a focus on helping Christian families keep their children in Christian schools. Please support our Appeal by visiting our website www.friendsoftheholylan.org.uk/pentecost or sending a donation to FHL, Farmer Ward Road, Kenilworth CV8 2DH. You can register to join an 84 mile virtual pilgrimage between Bethlehem and Nazareth, using your daily exercise. How about obtaining sponsorship from friends or family or looking on the website for parishioners you know to support those already walking, running or cycling! For those with children/grandchildren at local schools, why not encourage them to set up a team! For more information, email office at office@friendsoftheholylan.org.uk or telephone 01926 512980. Thank you.

EXTRA: The April EXTRA newsletter is now available on the website on the **NEWSLETTER page**; scroll down below the weekly newsletter. Please make it as widely known as possible. This edition includes: Young Adults Retreat, Keeping in Touch, Thanks for Lenten appeals, SPAN AGM, St Francis Hospital Nyenga Uganda, How does the Archdiocese spend our money?, Climate Hustings, Become a Laudato Si Animator, Care for the Earth; and Our Website.