

**CATHOLIC LEAMINGTON**  
**St Peter's, Our Lady's, St Joseph's**  
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**FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER A**  
**Sunday 10 MAY 2020**

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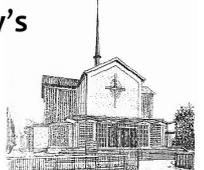
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**Assistant Priest:** Fr Noel Breslin  
**Deacon:** Rev David Palmer  
**Retired:** Fr Christopher Greaney

**Live-streamed Masses from St Joseph's Church this week**

<b>SUN 10 May</b> <b>Fifth Sunday of Easter A</b>	9.00	The People of the Parish Joe & Rose McGreevy
	11.00	Patrick Clemons
<b>MON 11 May</b> <i>Easter feria</i>	7.00	Mike Feely, Get Well
<b>TUE 12 May</b> <i>Easter feria</i>	9.30	Intentions of the Kirby Family Brenda Cox RIP
<b>WED 13 May</b> <i>Our Lady of Fatima</i>	11.00	Eilish McGillicuddy
<b>THU 14 May</b> <i>St Matthias</i>	7.00	Ann Doherty RIP
<b>FRI 15 May</b> <i>Easter feria</i>	9.30	<u>Requiem:</u> Bridget Punch
	11.00	<u>Requiem:</u> Angele Handford
<b>SAT 16 May</b> <i>Easter feria</i>	9.30	Ann Sayce RIP Vince Brannan RIP
<b>SUN 17 May</b> <b>Sixth Sunday of Easter A</b>	9.00	Mary Lou Duwell, Anniversary RIP
	11.00	Jenny Allister & Family Ann Sayce

**Mass Intentions that will be privately celebrated**

**Monday 11 May**  
Kate Briddon

**Tuesday 12 May**  
Barbara Wright

**Wednesday 13 May**  
Requiem: Judith Endean

**Thursday 14 May**  
Anna Robson

**Friday 15 May**  
Our Parish Schools

**Saturday 16 May**  
Emmanuel Toutoungi

**Recently deceased:**

Fr David Duggan, Barbara Wright, Judith Endean, Michael Butler, William Collis, Maureen 'Mo' Finnesey, Angele Handford, Bishop Leo McCartie, Rosa Venetico, Bridget Punch, Ann Sayce, Emmanuel Toutoungi, Bernard Kirton, Michela Rolando.  
**May they rest in peace.**

**Parish Sick List:** Giovanni Allurlino, Edward Behan, Mary Craig, Mario Fasi, Edna Hale, Eileen Hiorns, Jo Holleron, Estelle Holmes, John Ireson, David Kendall, Mist Johnson, Antonina La Spisa, Nathaniel Manning, Kate Miles, Paula Newton, Ann Reilly, Marie Robinson, Patricia Robinson, Peggy Rowlands, Marjorie Smedley, Luke Sweeney, Terena Tam, Terry Tam, Anna Tye, George Wall, Elizabeth Weston, Peter Wright & all those at home, or in the nursing homes & hospitals of the parishes.  
**Lord Jesus, watch over all who suffer and are in pain. Bless all those who care for them. Amen.**

**Anniversaries:** Kitty Gleeson, Lawrence Gibbins, Louisa Beard, Bridie Ryan, Ryan Newsham, Mary Madeleine Andrews, Victor Scott, Lena Stockford, Eilish McGillicuddy, Michael Carney, Philip Banholzer Olga Peach, Mary Oliver, Albert Sheppard, Agnes Derrig, Pat Hunt, Peter Leigh, Mary Willis, Mary O'Leary, Frank Harvey, Maurice Fitzgerald, Armondo Carvalho De Azevedo, John Curham, William Harris, Jennifer Allister, Molly Henderson, Fr Patrick Cocklin, Deacon James Duffy, Canon Francis Woodward, Fr Michael Jordan, Fr Cathal Cassidy, Fr Denis Hickling. **May they rest in peace.**

**SAFEGUARDING:** St Peter's & Our Lady's Claire Walsh 01926 430070; St Joseph's Honor Hynes email [safeguarding.stjosephs@gmail.com](mailto: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.

## CATHOLIC LEAMINGTON : Fifth Sunday of Easter A, 10 May 2020

### Dear Parishioners

“Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God still and trust in me”.

These words from St John are often read at funerals. John 14:1-6 is a popular choice of reading because it contains so much for us to think about. At the moment our hearts are more than a little troubled. We are still in the grip of a pandemic. This troubles us and I am sure it has also frightened us. So, what can we do about it?

Well quite simply we can trust God and his Son Jesus Christ. Trust is not always easy, especially if we have been hurt or we are frightened or afraid. The disciples in the Gospel were frightened and needed to learn how to trust once again. This week as we listen to this Gospel passage, we remember that even when we are afraid, we are called to trust God, and his son Jesus Christ who is our way our truth and our life.

Every blessing, Fr Andy.

### Our Lady's & St Peter's

**The Standing Order forms** so promptly returned by many parishioners were not processed until after April due to our local branch of NatWest bank being closed to customers. Please bear with us. Your account should show payment to either St Peter's or Our Lady's for May. When you check your bank statement, if a payment was not made from your account in April I would be really grateful if you could make up the difference by sending a cheque made payable to either St Peter's Church or Our Lady's Church or please call up for the BACS information to make a transfer. I apologise for asking, but the parish income has taken such a hit from the closure of our churches and the very sizeable bills are still coming in. Hence I have to get the begging bowl out. Thank you.

**200 Club May Draw:** First prize £50 Cathy Daly; second prize £20 Jasmine Coles; and third prize £10 Susan Gilbride. Congratulations to the winners!

**Mass intentions** for our churches have become very thin on the ground and I would ask that you keep Fr Noel busy processing them! They can still be posted through the Presbytery letterbox or emailed or phoned through.

**Offertory envelopes** can also be put in the letterbox if you are safely able to do so.

**The Parish Office is open** for telephone calls regarding pastoral matters, Mass requests, funeral arrangements, Baptisms, Marriages. Please call 01926 423824 ext 0 and leave a voicemail if necessary. Our parish's new email address is [stpeterapostle.leamington@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:stpeterapostle.leamington@rcaob.org.uk).

**A prayer line:** Fr Christopher is self isolating and is happy for people to ring him if they would like a prayer to be said or to have a short chat. Calls can be made between 10.00 am and 7.00 pm **Tel. 07385 794080**.

**Thank you** if you have been able to sign up to a Standing Order and to those who have already made use of the online card donation option on the website. I am extremely grateful for your continued support.

**St Peter's School and the SVP** in Lillington have been very grateful for the parishioners who have been able to donate food and money for those parents and individuals who are struggling to make ends meet.

**Tales of the Unexpected:** Some of my friends are in lockdown and we have decided to meet online. I had to tidy up my bookshelf first. Now I have a good selection of doggy books: *Lassie*, *101 Dalmations*, *The Jungle Book*, *Scooby Doo Where are You?* and *The Taming of Barbara Woodhouse...* and I am writing a book called “*Confessions of a Presbytery Dog*”. There is also a photograph of me with the Archbishop. Now I feel ready to live-stream. Best woofs, Bertie ;) xx

### St Joseph's



This week  
Our Lady's  
Seven Day  
Candle  
burns for  
**Michael  
Dyde**

**Thank you once again...** for your continued generosity to the Parish at this uncertain time. Offertory envelopes, contributions, Mass Intentions. can be put through the letterbox.

**Please note the times of our devotions:** Monday 6.30 pm – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour; Friday 8.30 am – Exposition, 9.00 am – Sacred Heart Novena, and 9.10 am – Rosary for Vocations. Saturday 10-10.30 am Exposition.

**Parish Office:** Like St Peter's we are offering a limited office service. I will endeavour to answer phone calls and emails as best I can at the moment. Thank you for your understanding.

**Live-stream Viewing Figures:** I was pleasantly surprised to see that the viewing figures for Weekday Mass are on average between 600-700 and for Sunday Mass the average is 2,300. This is how many “machines” are tuning in, there could be of course more than one person watching. The countries where people are tuning in are Australia, Belgium, Canada, France, Germany, Hungary, Italy, Ireland, Lebanon, the UK, the USA and of course Lithuania where Fr Ramunas's family get to see him every day! I hope you agree that the livestream has been a worthwhile investment and has helped to keep the community in spiritual contact with one another.

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**Live-stream Funeral Mass:** This Friday we have two live-stream Funeral Masses being celebrated. One at 9.30 am for Bridget Punch, a St Peter's parishioner, and one at 11.00 am for Angele Handford. The priest will then meet the respective families for the committal. If you have lost a loved one and would like a simple live-stream funeral celebrated the same day please speak to the priest celebrant and he will be happy to help you with this.

**SVP:** Our SVP Society is willing and able to help anybody who may feel isolated at this time. David Burton is our contact [davidburton636@gmail.com](mailto:davidburton636@gmail.com) One of the ways in which the SVP can help is by taking food donations to the local foodbank. Food donations can either be taken to 4 Peto Grove, Heathcote, CV34 6GT. Contact Jackie Rabone on 01926 832983 or donations can be left on the Presbytery doorstep for Jackie to collect. Thank you for your continued support of this very worthy cause.

**E-news:** Please do sign up for the Catholic Leamington Newsletter via Mailchimp on Twitter, Facebook, the parish website ([stjosephs47.org.uk](http://stjosephs47.org.uk)) or Deanery website <http://warwick-catholicdeanery.org.uk/newsletter-sign-up/>

**Bishop Leo McCartie RIP:** There will be a live-streamed Mass from St Chad's Cathedral for the repose of the soul of Bishop Leo McCartie at 5.00 pm on **Monday 11 May** celebrated by Archbishop Bernard Longley. This can be followed at <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/Event/diocesan-mass-bishop-leo-mccartie>

On **Tuesday 12 May** at 12.30 pm Bishop McCartie's Requiem Mass will be celebrated from Northampton Cathedral by Bishop David Oakley. This can be followed at <https://www.churchservices.tv/northamptoncathedral>

### Day of Prayer for Humanity: Thursday 14 May

Dear fellow believers and brothers and sisters in humanity, our world is facing at the moment a great danger that threatens the lives of millions of people around the world due to the growing spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. While we reaffirm the role of medicine and scientific research in fighting this pandemic, we should not forget to seek refuge in God, as we face this severe crisis. Therefore, we call upon all peoples around the world to pray according to each one's respective religious convictions, to observe fast and to do good deeds to end this pandemic. May each of us, wherever we are, and according to the teachings of our own respective faith traditions and philosophies, seek divine help to rescue ourselves and the entire world from this adversity, to inspire scientists to find a cure for the virus and to save the whole world from the health, economic, and human repercussions of this serious pandemic.

As part of its efforts to realize the objectives of the Document on Human Fraternity, the Higher Committee of Human Fraternity proposes **Thursday, 14 May 2020** as a Day of prayers, fasting and works of charity for the good of all humanity. In this regard, the Committee invites all religious leaders and peoples around the world to respond to this call together; to beseech God, the Almighty to safeguard the entire world, to help us overcome this pandemic, to restore security, stability, health, and prosperity, so that, once this pandemic crisis is over, our world may become a better place for humanity and for human fraternity than ever before.

*(Adapted from the Communiqué of the Higher Committee of Human Fraternity)* <https://www.forhumanfraternity.org/higher-committee>

**SVP Lillington** president Richard Gordon is in daily contact with the local foodbank as part of the SVP's outreach work. Instant mash, readymade custard in cartons, and toothpaste are currently the most needed items. Most supermarkets have collection boxes but Richard is willing to collect reasonable size donations (tel. 07974 455732). The Carriers of Hope website <https://www.carriersofhope.org.uk/our-needs/> gives a list of the items most needed by the refugees & migrants helped by the Centre's Destitution Fund: nappies, toilet rolls, cleaning products, toiletries and sanitary products. There is also an Amazon wish list that you may find easier to help with if you are self-isolating or simply donate via the same website.

**CAFOD** launched its coronavirus emergency appeal on 30 April. The effects of coronavirus on developing countries where CAFOD works are likely to be devastating. Families without enough to eat, without access to clean water or adequate healthcare facilities are particularly vulnerable to coronavirus. The poorest

communities will be pushed further into poverty. Your prayers and gifts are needed more than ever to help protect the lives of those in poor communities. While we are not able to hold physical collections in our churches, we would be grateful you could donate as individuals at [cafod.org.uk/coronavirusappeal](http://cafod.org.uk/coronavirusappeal).

**On 1 May** *The Catholic Times* merged with *The Catholic Universe*. This is now the UK's only national weekly Catholic newspaper. In April the last weekly printed issue of the *Catholic Herald* was published; it will now appear monthly. Check <https://catholic Herald.co.uk/> for its first online and printed monthly issue.

The Catholic Leamington Justice & Peace Rosary intention for May is: 'We pray for all those who work in the NHS and care homes, and all who put the lives of others before their own'.