

CATHOLIC LEAMINGTON: Easter Sunday (B)

Sunday 4th April 2021

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St Joseph's

Easter Sunday 4th

9:00: Ian Wilshire;
Nellie Scannell

11:00: Bro. Michael Richards

Easter Monday 5th

9:30: George Fraser Anniversary

Easter Tuesday 6th

9:30: June Arran RIP;
Rose Gately RIP

Easter Thursday 8th

7:00: Mella Byrne

Easter Friday 9th

9:30: Sue Franklin RIP;
Lorraine McDevitt RIP

Easter Saturday 10th

9:30: Bridget Kiloyne & Family RIP

Sunday 11th

Second Sunday of Easter

9:00: Marion & Paddy Moran RIP

St Peter's & Our Lady's

Holy Saturday 3rd

SP 7:30: Doreen & Graham Burford

OL 8:00: Special Intention

Easter Sunday 4th

SP 9:00: Fr. Giles Goward RIP

OL 10:00: Thomas Ryan

SP 11:00: Angela Monteiro

Easter Monday 5th

SP 9:30: Tony McAndrew RIP

Easter Tuesday 6th

SP 11:00: Angela & David Rogers

Easter Wednesday 7th

OL 12:00: David and Liz Larard

Easter Thursday 8th

SP: 11:00: Kenneth John Cross

Easter Friday 9th

SP: 11:00: Thomas Clapperton RIP

SP: 5:30: Holy Hour

SP: 6:30: Victims of Abuse

Easter Saturday 10th

SP 9:30: Bradley Family

OL 12:30: Sue Franklin RIP

Sunday 11th

Second Sunday of Easter

SP 9:00: Dermot Patrick Collins

SP 11:00: Pat & Bob Brash's Anniversary

The recently deceased of our churches:

Mary Rogerson, Daniel Byrne, Patricia Fitzpatrick, Luke Sweeney, Fr. Michael Crumpton, Deacon Patrick Duffy, Bernadette Parker, Paul White, Graham Cane, Linda Pender, Michael Govern, Michael Jervis

Confessions:

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

SAFEGUARDING: St Peter's Kate Tennyson email safeguarding.sp1spa@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.

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.

Anniversaries of the faithful departed: Frank Lane, Monty Jenkinson, Paddy Crowley, Catherine Lane, James Fitzpatrick, Richard Gunthorpe, Hilda Cullinane, Eva Ryan, Edward Hayes, Eric Black, Patricia Earle, Molly Benson, John Healy, Richard Payne, Montague Pendleton, Pawel Sowa, Michelle Connolly, Bishop Anthony Emery, Michael McMahon, Anthony McAndrew, Brendan O'Regan, Dermot Collins, Stefan Pacitti, Luke Ryan, Siobhan Hannan, Avis Charman, Richard Collins, Joseph McGrath, Ernesta Guerrini, Michael Hannan, Thomas O'Donnell, Anna-Maria Stoneham, Michael Tierney, Madeline Reading, Gwendoline Bradley, Canon William Swift, Canon Peter Jones, Fr. Lawrence King, Fr. Michael Glynn, Fr. Timothy Burke, Fr. Kevin Preston, Fr. Eamon Clarke, Fr. Kenneth Collins, Fr. Joseph Barr, Fr. Michael McManus. **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,**

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, Luke Sweeney, 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 Our Lady Chapel candle burns for **The Brash Family**

The St. Joseph Chapel candle burns for **Michael Hannan RIP**

Dear Parishioners,

On behalf of all the Priests I would like to thank you for your cards and gifts and wish you a very Happy and Holy Easter.

This year Lent feels as if it began on the first day of Lockdown. The Liturgical date of Ash Wednesday was on the 17th February and the long month of March seemed to take forever until the sun came out last week. Now we look forward with hope to a new future, conscious of the chaos which still remains in the countries around us where the Coronavirus Pandemic is a serious problem. For many of our Parishioners this means they cannot return home to visit their parents, family members, relations and friends. Even in this country we are ever conscious of the responsibilities of everybody to take great care to avoid contracting or spreading the virus.

This is why I believe the approach of the Church to enable worship, prayer and the celebration of Sacraments has to be within the bounds of common sense. At our 3 churches in Catholic Leamington we are blessed with space but some smaller churches in the Deanery do not have the room to enable a Congregation to gather safely or the Priest may still be vulnerable. There are many reasons why in some churches Masses and Services have not begun.

For the foreseeable future our priority is the health and safety of our Parishioners and visitors so we may not see any changes to the limits on the number of people who can attend Mass at the present time. Many who have been shielding for months will find it difficult to return and I am thinking about ways of helping those Parishioners who still feel vulnerable.

In the meantime as people want to return we shall need to think about more Masses or as the Bishops have pointed out attendance at any Mass during the week fulfils our Weekly Obligation (or at home if this is the only option.)

As a parish our need is to reach out to those who do not have the technology to be with us. I know school PTAs have raised money to purchase computers for pupils, perhaps this is something we might consider for our Parishioners and/or help them to understand the technology. We have to think outside the box!

We look towards the next few months with hope and a sense of confidence conscious of our need to play safe.

Many I wish you all a very Happy and Holy Easter.

Every Blessing,

Fr. John.

St Joseph's

The Church is open for Public Mass at the following times:

Tuesdays: 9:30am

Saturdays: 9:30am

Sundays: 9:00am

All other Masses will be Live Streamed, there will only be one Mass on Sundays.

From Sunday 11th April we will resume the 5:30pm Mass and all other weekday services will start opening to the public



This week Our Lady's Seven Day Candle burns for **Deceased members of the Sauvage & Cornwell Families.**

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.

Easter Blessings from Fr. Noel: For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son.

Wishing everyone a Blessed, Peaceful & Happy Easter.

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.

Missio Red Boxes: We would like to take this opportunity to express our thanks to June & Lennie Arran for their many years of dedicated service as Parish Representatives of the Missio Boxes. We are now looking for a new volunteer to be responsible for collating & issuing the Parish Missio boxes, training will be given, if you can help please contact the parish office.

Easter Services at St. Joseph's:

Monday 5th April, Easter Monday, Mass will be at 9:30am instead of 7pm

Easter offerings for the Clergy: Envelopes are at the back of the Church for these offerings which are traditionally your Easter Gift to the Parish Priest.

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.

St Peter's & Our Lady's

Review of Holy Week Services:

Holy Saturday: The Easter Vigil: We now feel as if we are living through a partial eclipse as the darkness which fell over the land when Jesus died on the Cross makes us feel restless. Our Faith is reaffirmed as we hear the scriptures and the light re-enters the world. If in the Mass bring your torches as we re-enact the coming of the light. (no candles this year as hand sanitiser is highly flammable) The light is the dawn of a new day. Our emotion is expectation & hope.

Easter Sunday: The Lord has risen from the dead. Alleluia! Alleluia! Our emotion is joy and our expression is "Alleluia".

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

Would you like to find out more about the Holy Week Liturgies?: Fr. Benedict has recorded a video about the importance of the liturgies we will be celebrating this week. You can watch the video here: <https://frbenedict.blog/2021/03/23/paschal-triduum>

First Friday: This month the First Friday of the month is Good Friday, when you can of course receive Holy Communion at the 3pm liturgy. We move our evening Holy Hour (5:30pm) and Mass (6:30pm) to Friday 9th April.



Zoom Prayers: The praying of the Rosary and Night Prayer on Zoom will resume on Monday 12th April.

Divine Mercy Sunday 11th April: Next Sunday is Divine Mercy Sunday. There will be devotions with exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and confessions at St Peter's from 3pm to 4pm.

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.

St. Peter's 200 Club: The first 200 Club draw of 2021 took place on Thursday and the winners of January's Draw are - 1st Prize (£50-00) - No.26 - Mr. J. Murphy. 2nd Prize (£20-00) - No. 29 - Mr. V. Cauty and 3rd Prize (£10-00) - No. 109 - Pat Lee. The winners of February's Draw are - 1st Prize (£50-00) - No.130 - Mrs. S. Larkin. 2nd Prize (£20-00) - No. 165 - Hayes and 3rd Prize (£10-00) - No. 40 - Fr. C. Greaney. 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.

CAFOD Lent Fast Day: It's still not too late to donate. If you have a CAFOD envelope, just leave it in the collection after Mass or deliver it to the Presbytery. If you have web access you can donate at <https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/CathLeam> or use the link on the homepage of our website www.catholicleamington.org.uk or you can give via TEXT to 70460 texting LENTNOIFO to donate £10-00. Thank you so much for your support.

Justice Stations of the Cross: Justice & Peace will be doing their Stations of the Cross via Zoom on Wednesday at 4pm

SPAN: Thank you for your support for the Lenten Appeals for: Myton Hospice ((£ 357.66 to date); the Kindaid Kiirua Mission in Kenya (£ 440.28); and extra support to our local families through food vouchers (£ 670.28). Full background is in the Feb EX-TRA. The Just Giving link is: <https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/spanlent2021> The appeal will finish on Easter Sunday. At 7:30pm on Monday 12th April, at our monthly meeting we will hold the AGM (for 2019 Report and Accounts), we are looking for additional committee members e.g a Vice Chair. Please contact jenarmstrong@talktalk.net for more info. Contact paulhayden@ntlworld.com for a Zoom invite or other queries. Visit our website at <https://www.catholicleamington.org.uk/span>

Catholic Leamington Choir: have produced a special video to celebrate our 2nd Easter in lockdown. Singers from Our Lady's and St Peter's churches have worked hard to virtually record Look to the Day, by John Rutter, a message of hope in what has been a difficult time for all. The video is available here: https://youtu.be/RQptV_5_T58 and the audio version will also be played during mass at St Peter's Church on Easter Day. Special thanks to Anna Li for taking on this challenge and producing a beautiful video. Happy Easter from all the members of the Catholic Leamington Choir

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