

## CATHOLIC LEAMINGTON

# EXTRA

## JULY 2023

### CAFOD UPDATE AND NEWS

It was great to see our Birmingham Diocese CAFOD agent, Sylvester Mutsigwa, at the SPAN open meeting in June. Sylvester arranged for CAFOD's Head of Africa, Kayode Akintola, to join the meeting remotely to speak about CAFOD's work in the region. Hearing from the person directing and organising projects was very interesting and informative

Our local schools continue to support CAFOD and recently both St Anthony's and St Patrick's have made donations from their Lenten fund raising activities.



Violent conflict continues in Sudan and thousands of people are running out of food, water and medicine. Working as part of the Caritas network, **your previous donations to CAFOD** are enabling our teams to provide practical help to families who have escaped to neighbouring countries, including South Sudan. Please join Pope Francis in praying for peace in Sudan. To find out more go to the CAFOD website:

<https://cafod.org.uk/news/emergencies-news/sudan-conflict>

Thank you for your continued support for our national Catholic charity

*Ann Allison*

## Kindaid Cream Teas

Although the sun wasn't quite shining on our afternoon that didn't stop us from having a very enjoyable time. The church hall was full to bursting with over seventy people enjoying home-made scones with



jam and cream, shortbread biscuits and plenty of tea whilst we were being entertained by our wonderful choir led by Martin. The full choir started the first half with Summertime from Porgy and Bess and finished the second half with Summer Holiday. In between we had soloists, duets, a quartet and Liz playing guess the composer. One of the duets was a violin piece played by eight-year-old Rowan accompanied by her father Hamish. It wouldn't be a Kindaid 'do' without the obligatory raffle with lots of wonderful prizes which were donated by parishioners

Thank you to all members of the choir and all the Kindaid team for their contributions who helped us raise a fantastic £868 for our charities. A special thanks to the team who were up to their elbows in soapy water after generous contributions

**NEXT EVENT: Just Desserts** at St Peters in October

*Sue Sugars*



## Summer Camp

A reminder from last month:

Kenelm and Life Teen UK are hosting a summer camp for young people aged 12-18, this year from 13-17 August. Based at Alton Castle and using their facilities, as well as the nearby theme park Alton Towers and a variety of different places, it involves a range of exciting activities. It also provides spaces and times for prayer, adoration and for young Catholics to connect and gather. Financial bursaries are available for young people in the Archdiocese who require extra support

So, if you are aged 12-18, and you would like to join, we cannot wait to see you there!

[Summer Camp 2023 Registration](https://tfaforms.com)  
([tfaforms.com](https://tfaforms.com))

## Father Chris Greaney

Congratulations to Fr Chris Greaney who celebrated his thirtieth Ordination anniversary to the priesthood on the Solemnity of St Peter and St Paul. The evening Mass was very moving and there was a lovely celebration afterwards. What an achievement to reach thirty years of ministry (longer than some of us have been alive!) celebrating Holy Sacraments of the Church and in serving the Lord and parishioners. Fr Chris does so much for us, especially considering that he's a retired priest. In Catholic Leamington we are all very grateful for all you kindly do (like keeping St Joseph's open), you are such a blessing to us all. Many thanks, here's to Fr Chris! Let's continue to pray for Fr Chris, all of our priests and for vocations to the priesthood

*Rosemary & Niall Pauling*

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## A LIGHT IN THE DARKNESS: CONCERT AT ST PETER'S

On 22 July at 7pm, St Peter's and Our Lady's choristers will be joined by local brass band CSB for an exciting concert at St Peter's mixing brass and choral pieces

Tickets available at <https://bit.ly/3NCbqrF> or through the QR code and at the door on the day of the concert

*Anne-Claire Bennion*





# needs you!

## The Live Simply group is looking for more members

### What does it mean to be a *Live Simply* Parish?

The CAFOD LiveSimply award is an opportunity for Catholic communities - parishes, schools, religious orders and chaplaincies - to respond to Pope Francis' invitation in *Laudato Si'* to "work with generosity and tenderness in protecting this world which God has entrusted to us". We do this by trying to live **simply**, in **solidarity** with people in poverty and **sustainably** with creation

St Peter's Parish Leamington became a LiveSimply parish in 2015 and **we need more people to join the Live Simply group to continue this important work!**

The group meets every few months to reflect on how LiveSimply is working in the parish, generate ideas and put them into action. In the past we have undertaken various activities to keep the parish aware of the objectives of LiveSimply, including having a stall at the District Council's Eco-Fest for the past few years in the Pump Room gardens, which we are hoping to do again this September!

If you are interested in coming along to our next meeting please contact Sioned Harper from the LiveSimply team at [sioned\\_hammondjones@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:sioned_hammondjones@yahoo.co.uk)



The Live Simply display at the Warwick District Council Eco-Fest  
September 2022

### Top Tips for Living Simply in Leamington:

Try and visit some local sustainable/eco-focused shops such as Zero on Russell Street, Core on Park Street, Gaia Ltd on Regent Place and Little Garden flower shop on Regent Street to name but a few!

Think about walking or cycling on those shorter journeys if you are able – check out the cycle routes and active travel maps on Warwickshire County Council's website: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/cycleroutes>

Download the Better Points app on your phone and get rewarded for choosing more sustainable ways to travel!

More details can be found at: [https://www.warwickdc.gov.uk/info/20531/public\\_transport/1341/choose\\_how\\_you\\_move\\_in\\_warwick\\_district](https://www.warwickdc.gov.uk/info/20531/public_transport/1341/choose_how_you_move_in_warwick_district)

*Sioned Hammond-Jones*

## Pastimes

Pastimes continues to welcome allcomers on each Tuesday between 11am and 3pm in the Church hall offering refreshments and a friendly atmosphere. Our next fundraiser is planned for September 30th, another Jumble Sale, please let us have your unwanted items — we do have storage, all money raised will help replace the heating in the Church

Lots of friendly faces, ready for a chat, we also have various activities—do drop in

*Mary Curran*



# Medical and other supplies for Ukraine

The medical supplies requested are Paracetamol, Aspirin, Ibuprofen, Cough Syrup, Cotton Wool Balls, Antiseptic Wipes, Bandages, Wound Dressings and Burn medication, and really anything that can be bought over the counter in a chemist shop would be useful

BUT PLEASE MAKE SURE ALL OF THESE ITEMS ARE IN DATE.

Either deliver them to the shop in the Royal Priors – Unit 9 on the second floor next to where Marks & Spencer used to be

*or*

(if it is more convenient) the organizers of Pastimes (Community Hub) between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. each Tuesday in St Peter's Parish Hall, who will keep them in a secure box and deliver them to the Royal Priors shop for you

*Jonathan Holden*

- ♥ Washing powders and liquids
- ♥ Cleaning products for bathrooms, floors and kitchens
- ♥ Soap, shampoo, shower gel
- ♥ Nappies for children
- ♥ Incontinence pads for adults
- ♥ Food (noodles, rice, canned food, etc)
- ♥ Medical supplies [see above]



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