

CATHOLIC LEAMINGTON

EXTRA

AUGUST 2023

Fr Stephen's Induction as Parish Priest of St Peter's and Our Lady's Parishes

Fr Stephen will be inducted as parish priest by the Dean of Warwick & Banbury Deanery, Canon John Batthula, on Wednesday 13 September at 7pm at St Peter's. All are invited and there will be refreshments afterwards. It's taken a bit longer than usual to arrange this – first there was no dean, and then there was no heating throughout the winter – but every induction is a chance for parishes to mark a new chapter and to come together to support each other in our life of faith, priest and people alike. One good thing about a later induction is that the 'new' priest is now feeling happily on his way to being settled in! Please pray for our parishes, their people and their priests

New Parish Priest for St Joseph's

On 15 August, the Assumption of Our Lady, Fr David Hartley, currently parish priest of Thame, will begin his ministry as parish priest of St Joseph's, Whitnash. Please pray for him and his wife Pat and for the parishioners as this new chapter in the parish's life begins. Catholic Leamington looks forward to Fr David being part of the Catholic life of the town, as the three parishes work together in the service of God, one another and all His people



KINDAID

After the very successful cream tea afternoon Kindaid will be taking a short break from fund raising during the holiday season

The next cake sale will be on Sunday 10th September after Mass. All cakes and biscuits are homemade by the committee and are reasonably priced. Why not come along and buy some

Just Desserts - please note that this year it will be held at St Peter's in the large hall on Saturday 7th October.

Over the past couple of months, we have sent donations to the following:

- ♥ Warwick District food bank
- ♥ Leamington Night Shelter
- ♥ SVP
- ♥ Sreepur
- ♥ Helping Hands
- ♥ Molly's Wishes
- ♥ Coventry Migrant Centre
- ♥ Kirrua Orphanage

Once again our thanks to all who support us

Sue Sugars

EXTRA is primarily for information that we do not have room for in the weekly newsletter. But we can only publish what you send in; please send notices in Microsoft Word to hathawayfamily@aol.com

by 31 August for the September edition. The EXTRA team is Jane Rebikah and Martyn Hathaway

CAFOD CAMPAIGN 2023



Seeds are life. Seeds make agriculture possible. For generations, small-scale farmers have freely swapped and shared a wide variety of seeds to produce nutritious food. More recently, farmers have also developed seeds that ensure crops are resilient in a changing

climate. However, their right to choose what seeds they use is under threat. Laws are being introduced across the world that limit what small farmers can do with their seeds. These laws, which are being brought in with the support of global financial institutions such as the World Bank, overwhelmingly favour large agri-businesses. Instead of being able to choose their own seeds, small farmers must purchase commercial seeds –

something that is good for big business profits but not so good for the small farmers. Protecting the freedom of farmers to choose seeds is a right we must stand up for if we are to tackle global poverty



Our global food system is broken. One tenth of the world go hungry whilst one third of all food produced is wasted and giant corporations make huge profits. The way we produce food damages our planet too. But many of the small-scale farmers are pushing for alternatives that are good for people and planet. It's vital for us to support them in order to fix the global food system

HELP US TO WRITE SOME

GIANT LETTERS

TO THE WORLD BANK

The letters will be available to sign at St Peter's and Our Lady's from 13th August to the 10th September. Let's stand in solidarity with those small scale farmers who need to have a choice and not to be beholden to agri-businesses who make huge profits monopolising seed sales

Jenny Armstrong



Dear Father Stephen and parishioners at St Peter's,

Janice and I would like to say a big thank you for arranging the Benemerenti award for us, a great honour. We are deeply grateful to all those at St Peter's who thought us worthy of this medal. We did not do it alone and we need to thank those who worked with us over the past fifty years or so!

We never thought that we were doing anything exceptional, just doing something towards building the kingdom of God of love and peace

The medals were presented at a moving service at the end of Mass last Sunday at the church of our new parish of St Teresa of the Child Jesus, Filton, Bristol by the Dean, with the Parish Priest and our son Nicholas SJ concelebrating. We were thrilled to have with us a number of people who came down for the occasion, too. Wonderful

We'd also like to mention the Christian Life Community of which we have been life-long members that has inspired us to serve Jesus in our daily lives

And we haven't finished. We hope we can contribute something to St Teresa's

Thanks to everyone

Janice and Brian Austin

Hand in Hand Residential Retreat

Arundel and Brighton, West Sussex
September 8th-10th

Our link with the Arundel and Brighton Hand in Hand group continues as we join once more to attend a weekend retreat with them in the Sefton Place Retreat Centre. We last met at Our Lady's church during Lent this year, for production of the Hosanna Cantata. A small group of our Hand in Hand group will drive down to West Sussex to share special time together with our new found friends, in prayer, laughter and good food!

Mary Holden

Pastimes

Pastimes is open every Tuesday from 11 until 3pm

We are holding our next jumble sale on September 30th all in aid of the new boiler for St Peter's. Any jumble can be brought to the Parish Centre any Tuesday between 12:00 and 3:00

A friendly welcome guaranteed

Mary Curran & Anne Elson



Tickets for the St Vincent de Paul Summer Raffle will be on sale after the Sunday Mass at Our Lady's during August, usually in the hall where tea and coffee are served. Look out for David Burton who will have the tickets. 1st Prize £5000, 2nd Prize £1000 and 15 x £100. Draw takes place 27th September at SVP Head Office. Winners will be notified by telephone or email

David Burton



St Vincent
de Paul Society
England and Wales
Turning Concern into Action



At Eco-Fest 2023

The Live Simply Team will once again have a stall at Warwick District Council's Eco-Fest which is being held at the **Pump Room Gardens** on **Saturday 2 September 2023** from **10am to 5pm**.

Come along and learn how you can live more **simply**, more **sustainably** and **in solidarity with the poor** and meet the team! There are also lots of other stalls at the Eco-Fest and you can learn more about how you can decrease your carbon footprint, increase your healthy eating and step outside more to explore beautiful local green spaces.

We are always on the look out for more members to join our small friendly team. 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



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>

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