

CATHOLIC LEAMINGTON: Feast of the Baptism of the Lord (B)

Sunday 10th January 2020

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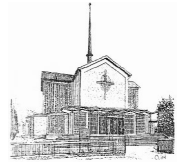
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St Joseph's

Sunday 10th January Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

9.00: Teresa McAndrew RIP;
Margaret Fox RIP

5:30: Private Intention (HM)

Monday 11th

7:00: June Arran RIP

Tuesday 12th

9:30: Nan & Brian Kearney

Thursday 14th

7:00: The McVeigh Family

Friday 15th

9:30: Bill Dunphy RIP

Saturday 16th

9.30: Cyril & Jill Sheard;
Maureen Chatfield's Intentions

Sunday 17th

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

9.00: June Arran RIP

Patrick McHugh

11:00: Baptism of Caden Cleveland

5:30: Patrick Nestor RIP

Saints of the week

Tuesday 12th January

Opt. Memorial of St. Aelred of Rievaulx, Abbot

Wednesday 13th January

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

Saturday 16th January

Opt. Memorial of Our Lady on Saturday

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

The Churches will be open before Mass during the Week for Private Prayer. Please see above for Mass times.

Change of Mass Times

Please note: at St. Peter's from 16th January the Saturday 5pm Mass will no longer take place and for the duration of Lockdown the Monday Mass will move to 11am.

St Peter's & Our Lady's

Saturday 9th January Vigil

OL 12:30: People of the Parish

SP 5:00: Edith, Pat & Michael Ryan
Katie Hannan

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SP 11.00: Ted Cunningham;
Sheila Skidmore

Monday 11th

SP 8:00am: Rita Blake

Tuesday 12th

SP 11.00: Eileen O'Toole

Wednesday 13th

OL 12:00: Kathleen Josephine Taylor

Thursday 14th

SP 11:00: Souls & Dearly Departed of the Tan & Yu Families

Friday 15th

SP: 11:00: John Wheeler

Saturday 16th Vigil

SP 9:30: Pat O'Mahoney

OL 12:30: Jack & Mary Gaughan;
Simon & Kevin Daly

Sunday 17th

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

SP 11.00: Solange Beckles;
Andrea la Barbera

Confessions:

St. Peter's: Monday - Friday when the Church is open, Saturday 10 am – 11 am and upon request.

Our Lady's: Wednesday when the Church is open.

St. Joseph's: Upon request

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.

The recently deceased of our churches:

Emma Lawless, Dominica Turturici, Tom Conlon, Jacqueline Skelcher, Mary Healy, Pat O'Mahoney, Sheila Collins
May they rest in peace.

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: Joan Sweeney, 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 Altar candle burns for **Hans-Peter Boos and Renata Katharine Boos**

Dear Parishioners,

On behalf of the parish clergy may I thank you for your cards and gifts which you sent or gave us this year for Christmas. As the Methodist Minister once said, "Thank you for the gift of cherries and the spirit in which they were given!" (They were not allowed to drink in those days hence the coded message for the bottle of cherry brandy)

Fr Noel should have now received a cheque for £800 which was raised as a leaving present for him from the parishioners of St Peter's and Our Lady's when he seamlessly moved from St Peter's to St Joseph's.

The phrase, "Out of the frying pan and into the fire," springs to mind as we embark on the third period of National Lockdown. I fear it may last longer than Lockdown 2. I did say to someone 'this would all end in tiers' and sure enough we are back to where we were in March. This time though we are more experienced but none the less aware of the dangers of the virus. The good News is our churches can open for Mass. We have social distancing, an ample supply of hand sanitizer or 'gloop' as I call it, we clean the benches, kneelers, and seats with anti-bacterial spray after every Mass. We wear masks. The priest cleans his hands with sanitiser before and after Holy Communion. I appeal to those who attend Mass on Sunday to consider a weekday mass as an alternative. With the Sunday obligation suspended you can attend any mass during the week at Church or via Live Stream from St Peter's or St Joseph's if you are required stay at home.

In view of the arrival of Lockdown 3 I have decided to move the Monday Mass at St Peter's to 11 am from Monday 18th. I will also drop the 5pm Mass on Saturday evening at St Peter's from Saturday 16th January for the time being as we already have a Mass at St Peter's at 9.30 am and at Our Lady's at 12:30pm. It is not necessary to have 3 Masses on the same day. Saturday evening Confessions will move to Saturday morning from 10 am – 11 am or at call after any weekday Mass. Please remember you can attend Mass on any day of the week as the obligation to attend Mass on Sunday is suspended.

I would like to welcome Mrs Debbie Enstone who was appointed by the Governors to be the new Headteacher at Our Lady and St Theresa's School. I am pleased to say Mrs Enstone has plenty of experience in running a school during Lockdown because last year she led St Peter's Primary School in Augusta Place while Mrs Sharman was on maternity leave. Welcome back to Mrs Sharman and thanks to Mrs Enstone for holding the fort during this time. Parents will be pleased to learn that the temporary area barricaded off for the safe access of pupils to school in Augusta Place will soon become permanent. I am grateful to the local Warwick Councillors who have agreed to implement this safety measure for the school. I have also encouraged the provision of proper signage to warn motorists of the school entrance. These little improvements go a long way...

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St Joseph's

We are thankful that under the new Lockdown guidelines the Church is able to remain open for public worship.

Confessions will be heard on request.

Social distancing and strict cleaning regimes will be in place.

We are very grateful to our Stewards and Cleaners as without their help we would be unable to open the Church to the Public at any times.



This week
Our Lady's
Seven Day
Candle
burns for
**Susan Day & Katie
Hannan RIP**

Baptism: We welcome into the Church - Caden Cleveland who is being Baptised next Sunday 17th January.

Our Lady's 7 Day Candle Intentions for 2021: Dates are now available from 28 February onwards, please place your request together with your donation (£5.00) through the Presbytery letterbox.

Anniversaries of the faithful departed: John Crowley, Bianca Cruz, William O'Toole, Evelyn Henn, Monica Silk, Lucy Maynard, Joan Cotter, Enda McSharry, Margaret Murphy, Letitia Toye, Jan Gardner, Kathleen Noonan, Patricia Devshi, John Toye, Cornelius Griffin, Cynthia McCarthy, Patrick Byrne, John Crowley, Sheila Jolley, Elizabeth Hayward, Veronica Deighan, Maura Flynn, Jim Pugh, Agnes Reading, Kathleen Taylor, Catherine Ferguson, Frederick "Cyril" Lamont, Thomas Dean, Peter Barlow, Thomas Conkey, Mgr. John Cregg, Canon Matthias Corrigan, Fr. Philip Wyles, Fr. Patrick Farrelly, Fr. James Bromley, Fr. Patrick McSwiney, Fr. Peter Tuite, Fr. Robert Kirby, Fr. Benedict O'Gorman, Fr. Gerard Peuleve, Fr. Cyril Bennett, Deacon William Murphy, Deacon Brian Dockerty, Deacon Thomas Carter. ***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***

First Holy Communion Programme 2021 for children who attend non Catholic Schools: Parents of children who are now in Year 3 or above who attend non Catholic Schools please contact the parish office stpeterapostle.leamington@rcaob.org.uk marked First Holy Communion 2021 to register your child for this programme. The Course will be run via Zoom. It will begin at 2.30 pm on Saturday afternoon and each session will last for approximately half an hour. It is 20 sessions in total, excluding all school holidays. Parents will receive a package via email each week before the session with everything they will need ie prayers, home task, etc. The Enrolment Mass for new candidates will be on Saturday 9th January. Reconciliation Service and First Confession on 6th March. First Holy Communion Mass on Saturday 19th June.

St Peter's & Our Lady's

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

Dear Parishioners Continued: in helping to improve the safety of our children.

Good News is also the order of the day at Trinity School which has received permission to become part of the Academy of Our Lady of Lourdes. The new Governing Body is taking shape and the school is about to embark on a new chapter in its history. The Ofsted rating for Trinity Catholic School has consistently remained Good over recent years and the school provides an excellent education for its pupils. Trinity School is part of the local Catholic community and has educated thousands of children. Its former pupils speak of appreciation for their former alma mater and are grateful for the education it gave them to take their place in the modern world. There are so many famous people or those who work for famous people who have attended Trinity School including musicians, sportspeople, politicians, industry and commerce. Good education prepares and equips our young people for their future. Learning is not necessarily about remembering facts and figures but about knowing where to look and how to process information, how to make informed decisions. Trinity is a Catholic School which provides a Catholic education for Catholics and non-Catholics alike. The syllabus for the study of the Catholic Faith is set by the Birmingham Catholic Education Service and together with the requirements of the National Curriculum this is what the children learn.

Tony Blair once said, "Education, Education, Education!"

I would add the words "Catholic! Catholic! Catholic! "

Every Blessing,

Fr John.

Thank you from St. Patricks Catholic School: All the children and staff at St Patrick's Catholic Primary School would like to say THANK YOU to everyone who has donated to our Christmas Fundraising Appeal. We have already raised over £1,000. Thanks to everyone's generous donations we are well on the way to being able to provide every child with a breakfast bagel every day for a year. There is still time to donate. Please visit our crowdfunding page at:

<https://www.rocketfund.org/magic-breakfast-no-child-too-hungry-to-learn>

We know that children learn better when they are not hungry and that food is the fuel for learning. Can you help us reach our target amount of £1300?

If you would like further information or you can provide help and support in other ways, please contact us on 01926 425958.

The Christian Life Community invites you: to our Virtual Information Evening by ZOOM on Thursday 14th January 2021 at 7.30 p.m. We are a world-wide organisation for lay people, who meet in small groups, currently virtually, for helping them with prayer, sharing their faith with others and exploring how to live their lives on a daily basis in the spirit of the gospel and for mutual support. We would like to offer the opportunity to Christians to experience this way of life by setting up new virtual groups by Zoom for the area. For more information, or for the Zoom link, contact:- Peter Dimambro, mdimambro@hotmail.co.uk 01926 428399.

The Catholic Leamington Justice & Peace Rosary intention for December is: 'We pray for the lonely at this time of family gatherings: may we remember that we are all brothers and sisters in God's family.'

Young Adults Group (16-35 yrs): Social and Spiritual Online Meeting - 5pm, Monday 11th January. We'll have a catch up to check in with each other and have a spiritual discussion about Catholic books we've read and about religious places/pilgrimages and holidays. Message Rose for meeting deets. 😊 <https://www.facebook.com/events/848161632422871/>

Peace Sunday: This year Peace Sunday is on Sunday 17th January, which is an opportunity for us to reflect on Pope Francis' New Year peace message. This year his theme is "A CULTURE OF CARE AS A PATH TO PEACE". You can obtain the actual message here: [LIV World Day of Peace 2021 - A Culture of Care as a Path to Peace | Francis \(vatican.va\)](https://www.vatican.va/content/francis/en/peace/2021/01/17-peace-message-2021.html). Pax Christi, the Catholic peace movement, is holding an online event of reflections on Pope Francis' World Peace Day message and explore what this calls us to do as peacemakers. It is at 6-7pm on Saturday 16th January and you Register here: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/peace-sunday-2021-national-liturgytickets-133225849101> Also see: Peace Sunday 2021 – Pax Christi England and Wales

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity: 18th – 25th January "Abiding in Christ". There are reflective prayers for each day of the Week of Prayer here: Resources for Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2021 (ctbi.org.uk).

Worldwide Marriage Encounter: Online Marriage Enrichment Experience with Bishop David Evans January 30th-31st 2021. An opportunity for couples to enrich their relationship, regardless of the length of time they have been together. Couples can explore their relationship and gain a deeper understanding of the Sacrament of Marriage. Other dates for 2021 - 20th-21st March & 15th-16th May. To find out more visit <https://wwme.org.uk/> or call 0845 2602016.

Job Opportunity: FRIENDS OF THE HOLY LAND. This Christian Charity is seeking an Office Administrator. The salaried position is important for our future growth and directly supports the Office Manager. Duties include maintaining the database, responding to enquiries, managing post/emails and sending out materials. The successful candidate will have good verbal and written communication skills, a strong ability to multi-task and be comfortable with using IT (particularly MS Office). The hours of work are negotiable – minimum 20 hours per week, between Mon-Fri. In the current pandemic, some work can be done at home. Normally, the work is conducted from our Kenilworth office. Please contact Jen Hill with your CV, office@friendsoftheholylan.org.uk

EXTRA newsletter for January The January edition of the EXTRA newsletter is now on the Newsletter page of the Parish Website below the weekly newsletter. Read about Unity Week, Living Simply, Christmas Dinner for the homeless and vulnerable, thanks from SVP and SPAN for your Christmas donations and about climate change.