

# CATHOLIC LEAMINGTON

## 7th Sunday of Easter: Sunday 12th May 2024

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DAY	AT ST PETER'S	AT OUR LADY'S	INTENTION
<b>SUNDAY 12th May 2024</b> <i>7th Sunday of Easter</i>	4:15-45pm - Confessions <b>5pm: Vigil Mass with First Holy Communion</b>	~	Jenny Warr's Recovery
	<b>11.15am Sung Mass</b>	<b>9.15am Sung Mass</b> <i>With Children's Liturgy</i>	Robert Habgood RIP Bob Heffernan RIP
Monday 13th <i>Opt. Mem. of Our Lady of Fatima</i>	~	~	<b>9:30am Mass at St. Joseph's</b>
Tuesday 14th <i>Feast of St. Matthias, Apostle</i>	9am Mass <b>4pm Reception</b>	~	Kathleen McRoberts RIP Month's Mind <b>Anastasia "Cissie" Power RIP</b>
Wednesday 15th <i>Easter Feria</i>	<b>11am Funeral Mass</b>	10am Mass	The People of the Parish <b>Requiem: Anastasia "Cissie" Power RIP</b>
Thursday 16th <i>Easter Feria</i>	10am Mass	~	Stephanie O'Toole RIP
Friday 17th <i>Easter Feria</i>	10am Mass 3pm Divine Mercy Devs.	<b>1pm: Funeral Service</b>	Rosalba Gonzalez RIP <b>Funeral: Mary Dendek RIP</b>
Saturday 18th <i>Opt. Mem. of St. John I, Pope</i>	9:15-45am - Confessions Exposition until 10am Mass 4:15-45pm - Confessions <b>5pm: Vigil Mass</b>	~	Cissie Power RIP Private Intention; Rosalba Gonzalez RIP
<b>SUNDAY 19th</b> <i>Pentecost Sunday</i>	<b>11.15am Sung Mass</b>	<b>9.15am Sung Mass</b> <i>With Children's Liturgy</i>	James Dunne RIP Simon Rogers RIP

**SUNDAY MASSES AT ST JOSEPH'S, WHITNASH: 10AM & 5:30PM.** Details on their website: [stjosephs47.org.uk](http://stjosephs47.org.uk)

**SAFEGUARDING** The Parishes operate in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies and procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are: **Our Lady's** Claire Walsh email [sg.ccolc.lillington@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.ccolc.lillington@rcaob.org.uk) ; **St Peter's** Theresa Goh or Susan Chan email [sg.stpeterapostle.leamington@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.stpeterapostle.leamington@rcaob.org.uk) **The Diocesan Safeguarding Team** can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 or at [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk) if you have any concern.

**Anniversaries of the faithful departed:** Ryan Newsham, Laura Ferreira, Michael Carney, Victor Scott, Lawrence Gibbins, Bridget Mulhearn, Mary O'Leary, Mary Willis, Catherine Gleeson, Bridget Ryan, Mary Andrews, Richard Cotter, Mary Donovan, Samuel Hortin, Bridget Barta, Aniela Lepkowski, Mary Rose, Elizabeth McGillicuddy, Helena Stockford, Louisa Beard, Cn. Francis Woodward, Cn. Wilfrid Smith, Fr. Cathal Cassidy, Fr. Denis Hickling. **The recently deceased:** Mary Shuker, Mary Dendek, Cissie Power, Mary Duffy. **Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.**

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Our Lady's: <https://www.facebook.com/ourladyslillington> St Joseph's: <https://www.facebook.com/stjosephswhitnash>



## MAY IS MARY'S MONTH

‘The Rosary is a prayer that always accompanies me; it is also the prayer of the ordinary people and the saints... it is a prayer from my heart’ - Pope Francis

**WELCOME TO MASS:** *Christ is risen! Alleluia!* 'Truth? What is that?', asked Pilate during the trial of Jesus. In today's gospel, Christ—who calls Himself the truth—prays that we may be kept true to the Father's name. He asks that we may be consecrated in the truth. He does this because He is sending us out to bear witness in the world to God's truth. The truth is not always welcomed—look at the trial of Jesus—but the truth is true whether everyone or no one believes it. In this age of 'relative truth' absolutes are often rejected. Yet it is the Holy Spirit, leading us into all truth, that empowers the apostles and us to witness to the truth. As Gerard Manley Hopkins beautifully translated Aquinas' beautiful hymn to the Blessed Sacrament 'Truth Himself speaks truly, or there's nothing true'. (hymn 660 in *Laudate*). *God bless you all, Fr Stephen*

**THE QR CODE FOR TODAY'S READINGS:** Simply scan on your smart phone. This works for every day.



**HOLY COMMUNION:** If you are **not a Roman Catholic**, a member of a church in full communion with it, or an Orthodox unable to attend an Orthodox Liturgy, you are *warmly invited to come forward for a blessing* at the time of Holy Communion. Holy Communion cannot be given to all, as it is for us the sign of **unity in the faith**. Communion is **not** bread and wine, but the **Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of God the Son**. Let us pray for true unity among all Christians, as God wills.

**Blessed be Jesus in the most Holy Sacrament of the Altar!**

**LATIN DANCE FIT FOR LADIES:** we are starting a **NEW** Dance base exercise class in the hall on Mondays 10am-10.45, this is for all ages and abilities, to book please call 07780543976.

**COME & PLAY:** Tuesdays 9:30—11am in SP Hall. We welcome mothers and children. No charge. If anyone would like to help please contact Clare Burdett on—07720 887 002. If anyone has toys to donate please bring them to Pastimes on a Tuesday or contact Clare on the number above.

**PASTIMES COMMUNITY HUB:** Tuesdays 12-3pm. A warm place with company, refreshments (incl soup and rolls), and many activities.

**Volunteering**—we need volunteers at Pastimes, please come along on Tuesday and speak with Margaret to find out what's involved.

**STUDY & REFLECTION ON SUNDAY'S MASS READINGS:** Fridays in the Davenport Room from 11 - 12 to look at the following Sunday's readings.

**DIVINE MERCY DEVOTIONS:** Fridays 3pm at St Peter's. At the hour of mercy come to implore mercy for the world and praise God for that mercy revealed to us by Jesus on the Cross, pierced for our sins..

**OUR LADY'S FUNDRAISER:** Liz, the pianist at Our Lady's, has cycled 65 miles on her 65th birthday at the beginning of May, and asks for **sponsors** to support the **maintenance of Our Lady's**. Please ask her for an envelope designating your donation, and give a little extra in it to the 2nd collection. Envelopes will also be in the church porches.

**SPAN:** Tickets for the SPAN celebration evening (including food) on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June are now available at £ 10 (youth £ 5).

**FAMILY QUIZ NIGHT AT ST JOSEPH'S:** Sat 18 May 7pm

**PENTECOST PARTY:** *Next Sunday*. To welcome those who were received into the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil and to celebrate the birthday of the Church, a shared lunch from 1pm in St. Peter's parish centre. All parishioners invited. Please bring a plate of food for the shared table, savoury or sweet, if possible representing your country of origin. Further details from Margaret on 428399.

**MEN'S GROUP for CATHOLIC LEAMINGTON :** Next meet **21 May 7.45pm** at the **Benjamin Satchwell** (Wetherspoons). Come along for convivial company, food and drink. So far Fr Stephen has been the only member of St Peter's or Our Lady's to attend! Men, please give it a go!

**MASS FOR THE SICK:** **Tues 18 June 11.30am St Joseph's**, then lunch.

**SPRING RAFFLE TICKETS:** On sale after each Mass, and in the Piety Shop, £1 each, with a 1<sup>st</sup> Prize of £100 and lots of other prizes, all in aid of Hall Maintenance, the draw takes place 14th July 2024.

**NEW TRANSLATION OF THE LECTIONARY:** By Advent Sunday this year, all parishes must begin using the new translation of the readings at Mass. These are taken from the **English Standard Version, Catholic Edition** (ESV-CE). We are planning sessions for readers and anyone interested in due course. The new books are not yet available (the complete ESV-CE Bible is). If anyone would like to consider donating one of the four volumes we shall need for each church, they cost £175 each. **Thank you**. Like the new translation of the Mass this will be a change to get used to. The psalms that we sing will also be a new translation, meaning work for musicians too. People's Missals will be reprinted with the new translation.

**FUNERAL MASSES** Might weekday regulars come to Funeral Masses to pray for the dead, support the mourners and be a welcoming presence, simply by being at Mass: your presence and prayer are all that's asked.

**SVP APPEAL:**—does anyone have a child's pushchair they no longer need? For age one plus. Please let David Burton know on 07713 246987

**YOUTH GROUP:** Volunteer leaders from Catholic Leamington are now undergoing a training course and then will set up a Yrs6-9 group based at St Peter's Hall to complement the Yr10+ group being established at St Mary Immaculate, Warwick.

**SERVERS AND SERVING:** **Thank you** to our servers at both churches. **We'd love a few more!** See Bob at St Peter's or Adrian at Our Lady's **ST PETER'S HALL** *The hall is available to hire*. Please promote it—Email [hall.stpeterapostle.leafington@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:hall.stpeterapostle.leafington@rcaob.org.uk)

**DONATING TO ST PETER'S:** A card machine is at the back of St Peter's. You may also give online via the website OR by scanning this QR code on your smart phone, or by standing order, or in the collection. **Please Gift Aid your donations** so that the parish can reclaim from the tax man—it then becomes **worth 25% more at no cost to you**. See Jim Inasley. There are forms at the back of church.



**DONATING TO OUR LADY'S:** It is possible to donate to the parish via the Diocesan website (there is a red donate button towards the top right on every page), or click [here](#), or use the QR code or by standing order, or in the collection. **Please Gift Aid your donations** so that the parish can reclaim from the tax man—it then becomes **worth 25% more at no cost to you**. See Jim Inasley or Fr Stephen. There are forms at the back of church.



**Thank you! Each parish has always had its own bank account and continues to do so! The parishes do not subsidise each other.**

**LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTIONS:** SP: 1st Coll—£560.37, 2nd Coll. (Ch. Re-dec.) -£307.88. OL: 1st Coll—£398.50, 2nd Coll. (Ch. Maint.) -£259.10. This weekend the second collections at both Churches is for **Church Maintenance**. **Thank you** for your generosity.

**MASS INTENTIONS:** Please be aware that the earliest availability for Sunday 11:15am Mass is 15 May onwards.

**7 DAY CANDLES at ST PETER'S:** If you'd like to have a Sanctuary candle lit for your intention please complete an envelope titled 7-day candles, at the back of Church together with your donation of £10.

**ST PETER'S SPRING CLEAN:** Anyone willing to help physically clear the space round the Church Hall please contact Roger on 07983 869 092.

**CAR LIFT CO-ORDINATOR.** We are appealing for someone else to take over this role in the future. It can be done entirely by telephone from home and so may suit someone with limited mobility. If you could take this job on, please contact Jonathan Holden 01926 420045 or jaholden@virginmedia.com to discuss what would be involved.

#### ARRANGING A BAPTISM

**Congratulations on the birth of your baby!** First, parents must begin the process by seeing Fr Stephen *in person* at a Sunday Mass. He can then check a few simple facts and give out a baptism application form. We do not deal with initial arrangements by phone, email or through other members of the family, but face to face. Parents need to attend a preparation session before the baptism can take place.

#### ARRANGING A WEDDING

**Congratulations on your engagement!** To arrange a wedding, an initial meeting with Fr Stephen is vital so that the canonical and civil processes can be correctly followed. Please give at least six months' notice.

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST

**L**ORD GOD, your Son Jesus Christ took flesh and trod the soil of His homeland. We pray for all who live on that same soil today that hatred and violence may be replaced by justice and peace. Turn savage hearts from the way of death and let Your message of peace and life be heard once again as it was on the hills of Bethlehem at Jesus' birth. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### INSTEAD OF THE HAIL MARY AT SUNDAY MASSES WE SING:

#### OUR LADY'S EASTERTIDE ANTHEM

**R**EGINA COELI, laetare, alleluia! Quia quem meruisti portare, alleluia! Resurrexit, sicut dixit, alleluia! Ora pro nobis, Deum, alleluia!

(Translation: Rejoice, Queen of Heaven, for He whom you were fit to bear, has risen as He said. Pray for us! Alleluia!)

**Our prayers for the Sick:** Giovanni Allurlino, Marie Clare Banner, Edward Behan, Sarah Bonnalie, Pam Brambles, Portia Brightburn, Norman Byrne, Mario Fasi, Wilfrid Feely, Barbara Gekoski, Joe Graham, Eileen Hiorns, Sandra Hunt, Jean Hurley, Sheila Ireland, Mist Johnson, David Kendall, Una Maddocks, Nathaniel Manning, Deborah Meades, Kate Miles, Fina Monastero, Michael Mulcahy, Jo Murphy, Andrew Murray, Ahmed Musa, Paula Newton, Gill Parker, Fr. Malcolm Prince, Fr. Tony Rohan, Nell Smyth, Christine Tam, Terena Tam, Terry Tam, Elizabeth Weston, Peter Wright, Mary Yapp & all those at home, or in the nursing homes & hospitals of the Parish, or who receive Holy Communion at home. **Lord Jesus, watch over all who suffer and are in pain. Bless all those who care for them. Our Lady, help of the sick, pray for them.**