

Catholic Leamington

Our Lady & St Peter's, with St Joseph's

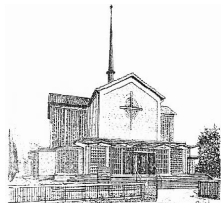
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Twenty Eighth
 Sunday in
 Ordinary Time



15th
 October
 2017



Saturday 14 October VIGIL	OL SP	12.30 pm 5.00 pm	Madeline, Daniel, Finbarr Looney Mary Beausang Francis Bin John Daa John Wall	Confessions: OL: 11.45am SP: 4.15pm
Sunday 15 October <i>Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time A</i>	SJ OL SP SJ	8.00 am 9.30 am 11.30 am 5.30 pm	Filippo Castro Filippo Popo Neuse Timothy O'Dowd Kathleen Hutchinson Ellen Reynolds	Exposition & Holy Hour SP: 3.00-4.00pm
Monday 16 October <i>Psalter Week 4</i> <i>St Margaret Mary Alacoque</i>	SP Sch SJ	10.00 am 2.15 pm 7.00 pm	Irene Chidzik Mass, St Joseph's School Margaret Robson	SJ: Mass with Novena to Our Lady
Tuesday 17 October <i>St Ignatius of Antioch</i>	Sch SJ SP OL	9.15 am 9.30 am 12.30 pm 5.30 pm	Mass, St Patrick's School Kathryn Rogers Patrick Mullan Reception: Brigid Dunbar	Rosary: SJ 9.10am; SP Noon
Wednesday 18 October <i>St Luke</i>	Sch Sch OL SP	9.00 am 9.15 am 12.00 pm 12.30 pm	Mass, Trinity School Mass, St Anthony's School Requiem: Brigid Dunbar Deceased members of Burns Family	Rosary: SP Noon
Thursday 19 October <i>Ss John de Brebeuf & Isaac Jogues</i>	Sch SP SJ	10.00 am 12.30 pm 7.00 pm	Mass, Our Lady & St Teresa's School Bernard Forde Sr Veronica Thérèse Scannell	Rosary: SP Noon
Friday 20 October <i>Feria</i>	SJ OL OL SP	9.30 am 10.00 am 12.00 pm 12.30 pm	Robbie Burns Funeral Service: Guilietta Browne Eithne Dunn Rosemarie Towers	SJ: Mass with Novena to the Sacred Heart Rosary: SJ: 9.10am SP: Noon Exposition: SP 11.00am
Saturday 21 October <i>Our Lady on Saturday</i>	SJ SP SP VIGIL OL SP	9.30 am 10.00 am 12 noon 12.30 pm 5.00 pm	Eucharistic Service Joe Keane Wedding: Joseph Evans & Jade Willis In thanksgiving Ellen Mary Wade Timothy O'Connell	Confessions: SP: 9.15am & 4.15pm; SJ: 10.00; OL: 11.45am Exposition: SP: 9.00; SJ: 10.00am
Sunday 22 October <i>Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time A</i>	SJ OL SP SJ	8.00 am 9.30 am 11.30 am 5.30 pm	Mike & John Gilvarry Sr Yvonne Vito La Barbera Eileen Murphy Ellen Reynolds	Exposition & Holy Hour SP: 3.00-4.00pm

Collections last Weekend

First Collection: £1,228.17
 Second Collection: £1,336.47
 CAFOD Harvest Appeal

*Thank you for your
 generous donations.*

Second Collections

Today
 Church Maintenance Fund
 Next Week
 APF World Mission

SPAN

General collection: £50.61.
 Gift Aid: £40.00. Crisis in
 Africa box: £28.05.
 Thank you.

We pray for the sick and the housebound

who request our prayers during
 their time of illness and
 infirmity and whose names
 can be found on the
 noticeboard lists in the church
 porches at Our Lady's
 & St Peter's.

*Lord Jesus watch over all who
 suffer and are in pain. Bless
 those who care for them.
 Amen.*

Recently Deceased

Fr Mariano, John Stephens,
 Patrick Kennedy,
 Margaret Fitzmaurice,
 Guilietta Browne,
 Caroline Mancini,
 Babs Dunbar.

*May they rest in peace & their
 loved ones be comforted.
 Amen.*

Anniversaries

John Andrews, Elizabeth Ellis,
 Bridget Robson, Elizabeth
 Taaffe, Dymphna Murphy,
 Margaret Storey, Eileen
 Skibicki, Tony Hunt, John
 Wall, Tracy Curran, Vito La
 Barbera, Kitty Byrne.

*May they rest in peace and
 rise in glory. Amen.*

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Warwick Deanery: www.warwick-catholicdeanery.org.uk — Archdiocese :
 www.birminghamdiocese.org

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Dear Parishioners,

Walking the dog every morning and afternoon is a good opportunity to commune with nature, to see the world as it passes by and to ponder on the events of the day. Quite frequently I meet parishioners who are either doing the same or on their way home from work or going to the shops. At this time of year the colour of the leaves is reaching its crescendo of rich gold and bronze as we enjoy the last gasp of summer and prepare for winter. This is evidenced in the busy activity of the squirrels who (when not being chased by dogs) are gathering the essentials and burying them ready to be retrieved during the coldest and hardest days of winter.

My morning walk often finds me being passed or getting out of the way of numerous people jogging. Some jog with hardly any effort at all with a natural rhythm and easy gait while others seem to be in pain, with heavy feet slamming on the ground, bright red faces and laboured breathing. It made me think they are an analogy of life. When we are young we have endless energy and vitality. Moving on we learn the need to pace ourselves and find our own momentum. In later years we stop and learn to catch our breath, watching the world go by with the eyes of wisdom and experience, knowing our limits.

Thankfully our faith journey and prayer life is not affected by physical fitness. Conversely almost the older we become the more time we have for pondering the bigger questions of life and what God wants for us. In youth we cannot always see these things because life gets in the way but as with the great Saints Ignatius of Loyola and Francis of Assisi, a time laid up in illness can be a life-changing experience. Time to stop and think allows us not only the opportunity to reflect on our personal journey but also to look at the bigger picture and realise that the world does not revolve around us. We are a key part of something much greater and that we have a unique vocation or gift to share with each other.

As the Autumn of our year comes upon us it is a good time for all of us to stop and reflect on our pilgrim journey; to stand back for a moment to review the past year and to make sure we are ready for the months ahead. We might take care to see the hand of God helping us to choose the right path and gradually drawing out a clearer understanding of who we are and what He wants of us in our world. Think about what we can give of ourselves and how to give it. Are we giving enough or could we give a little bit more? Could we spare an hour or two to help? Many people find that giving something of themselves and asking for nothing in return is a liberating experience which brings a sense of freedom. It is not too late to activate our well-intentioned New Year resolutions in the last quarter of the year.

Find time to stop, reflect and pray for help and guidance: what is God's vocation for me and how am I helping to make His Kingdom come.

Every Blessing,

Fr John

Congratulations to parishioners **Jose Gabriel Diaz Hernandez & Nieves de la Torre Perez** who married in Santibanez, Spain recently. May the Lord God bless them with a long, loving and fruitful marriage. Amen.

We welcome **Louie Kirk** baptised at St Peter's last Sunday into God's family. May the Lord God bless him and keep him in His care throughout his life. Amen.

Blessing of the Graves will take place on **Sunday 29 October** at 2.00 pm at Leamington Cemetery.

The Induction of Fr Andrew as Parish Priest of St Joseph's Church will take place there on **Friday 3 November** at 7.00 pm.

Tapas evening on **Saturday 28 October** in St Peter's Main Hall at 7.00 pm. All things Spanish – food, wine & live music! Let's put the FUN in fundraising for the much-needed dishwasher (so when anyone holds a social event they won't have to wash up by hand).

The Pastimes Group's pre-Christmas Sale will be an all-day affair in St Peter's Main Hall on **Saturday 11 November**. Donations can be brought in to Pastimes any Tuesday afternoon up to 7 November. Raffle tickets will be on sale soon.

Our Lady's annual Christmas Bazaar on **Saturday 18 November** in the church hall after 12.30 pm Mass. Donations of bric-a-brac, toys, groceries and raffle prizes can be left in any of the churches, clearly marked 'Our Lady's Bazaar'. Contact organiser Matt Pettle on tel 07972 901385 or email matthewpettle@hotmail.co.uk.

SPAN's meeting last Monday agreed to regularly support 3H a Kenilworth Parish charity supporting formerly trafficked women. We also sent £200.00 to each of the disaster appeals: CAFOD for South East Asia Floods, CAFOD Caribbean Flooding Appeal, DEC Yemen Appeal and the DEC Rohingya Appeal – this latter donation will be match funded by the Government.

200 Club October draw winners: First prize Mike Keep £50.00; second (and third!) prizes Eugene Murphy £20 and £10 respectively. Congratulations to both winners!

A Quick Journey Through the Bible: Following an enlightening series last year, it is hoped to repeat it for the Warwick and Leamington parishes. It is planned to have the eight sessions on an evening or a weekend. Hosts and/or leaders are required. Contact: Peter 01926 428399.

The Prodigal Daughter by Rachel Mackenzie will be staged at St Peter's (Main Hall) on **Friday 17 November**. Hosted by our Seminarian Sean McGough (see posters in the porches). Tickets are free but limited numbers available from the Our Lady's & St Peter's Parish Office or via the website.

The Churches Together in Leamington Annual General Meeting takes place next **Thursday 19 October** at 7.30 pm in Christ Church, Priory Terrace (just further along from the Post Office parcel depot). It is an open meeting and all are welcome. Refreshments provided. There is also a "Marketplace" offering an opportunity to see the different church initiatives in our town.

Parishioners from Our Lady's and St Peter's raised a magnificent **£2,693.23** through the APF red box collections in 2016. Thank you for your generosity.

Celebrating October as the Month of the Holy Rosary, there will be an opportunity to buy a selection of handmade Rosaries after Sunday Mass each week at Our Lady's Church. All priced at £6.00, proceeds to go to the parish of Our Lady's & St Peter's. If you attend Masses at other churches please contact Emma Rayment on 07876 345307.

Tales of the Unexpected: If the boss says "What's the story Balamory?" again I shall scream. I don't know where he has got this phrase from but my name is Bertie not Balamory.

Best woofs, Berti-mory. xx

Fuse

5th November



Fireworks, DJ, BBQ. We are looking to take a group of young people from the parish to this explosive (get it!?) event at Oscott College in Birmingham (where Sean is training to be a priest). Register your interest with Erin by text on 07548 272629 or email (see front of newsletter).

Family Walk

Saturday 21 October

Get your wellies and waterproofs out and enjoy some fresh

Autumn air in good company.

Call or text Erin as above.



The Justice & Peace at St Peter's **Rosary Intention** for October is: 'At this time of Harvest we pray that the world's resources will be shared and distributed more equally'.

Music at 11.30 Mass

Mass – Heritage Mass by Owen Alstott

Motet – The Lord is my Shepherd by Howard Goodall

St Peter's Cleaning Team 3 this week.

Bookings/enquiries for **The Dormer Conference Centre &**

St Peter's Parish Centre:

email Royce McParland: dormercentre@gmail.com

Parish Office Hours:

Tuesday to Thursday, 9.30 am to 1.00 pm and 2.30pm to 4.00 pm. **Closed** Mondays & Fridays (appointments only).