

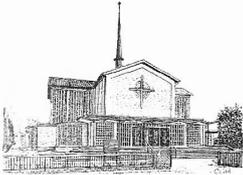
# Catholics Together in Leamington

## St Peter's, Our Lady's & St Joseph's: Working Together

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### Third Sunday of Lent



### Sunday 19th March 2017



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Sat 18 March <i>Psalter Week 3</i>	OL SP	Midday 12.30 pm 5.00 pm	Stations of the Cross People of the Parish Kenneth Bridden Laura Dhillow	Confessions: SP: 9.15am (Exposition) SJ: 10.00am (Exposition) OL: 11.45am SP: 4.15pm
<b>Sunday 19 March</b> <i>Third Sunday of Lent</i>	SJ OL SP SJ	8.00 am 9.30 am 11.30 am 5.30 pm	Arthur & Gertie Treanor Matthew Pettle Kathy Hardaker-Jones Daniel Kirkwood Rev A Timlin	<b>SP at 3.00 pm:</b> Holy Hour with Exposition and Confessions
<b>Monday 20 March</b> Solemnity of St Joseph, Husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary	SP SJ	10.00 am 7.00 pm	Requiem Mass: Joseph Connell Mary Timoney	<b>SJ</b> Mass with Novena
<b>Tuesday 21 March</b> <i>Lent Feria</i>	SJ SP	9.30 am 12.30 pm	Hugh Williams Tony Iwanikiw	<b>Rosary: SJ</b> 9.10am; <b>SP</b> Noon
<b>Wednesday 22 March</b> <i>Lent Feria</i>	SP SP OL SP	10.00 am <b>11.45 am</b> 12.00 pm 12.30 pm	Funeral Service: Terence Nicholl <b>J &amp; P Stations of the Cross</b> Eileen Lawless Michael Woodcock	
<b>Thursday 23 March</b> <i>Lent Feria</i>	SP SJ	12.30 pm 7.00 pm	Anne Hornsby Terence Nicholl	<b>Rosary: SP</b> Noon
<b>Friday 24 March</b> <i>Lent Feria</i>	SJ Sch Sch OL SP <b>SJ</b>	9.00 am 9.30 am 9.30 am 12.00 pm 12.30 pm <b>7.00 pm</b>	Private Intention Mass at St Anthony's School St Peter's School Mass (church) Bill & Gerry Quinn Colin Dunphy Geoffrey Read <b>Stations of the Cross</b>	<b>Rosary: SP</b> Noon
<b>Saturday 25 March</b> Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord	SJ SP <b>OL</b>	9.30 am 10.00 am <b>Midday</b>	Intention of KP Elizabeth Cuthbert <b>Stations of the Cross</b>	<b>Confessions:</b> SP: 9.15am (Exposition) SJ: 10.00 am (Exposition) OL: at call SP: 4.15pm
<b>VIGIL</b>	OL SP	12.30 pm 5.00 pm	Paddy Dunbar Ernest & Marie Turner Kathleen Carney Lee Neale & Family	
<b>Sunday 26 March</b> <i>Fourth Sunday of Lent</i> <i>*Mothering Sunday*</i>	SJ OL SP SJ	8.00 am 9.30 am 11.30 am 5.30 pm	People of the Parish People of the Parish Robert Corrigan Edna O'Dowd Christina Lane	<b>SP at 3.00 pm:</b> Holy Hour with Exposition and Confessions

### Last Weekend

1st Collection: £1,173.30  
 2nd Collection: £1,377.75  
 (CAFOD Lent Fast)

Thank you!

### Second Collections

**Today: Cov. Refugee & Migrant Centre (Lenten Aims)**

**Next Week: FoodBank (Lenten Aims)**

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

### Anniversaries

Margaret Clarke, Walter Holt, Kathleen Powell, Margaret Collins, Natalie Burgielska, Julia Roddis, Peter Cronin, John Kelly, Anthony Iwanikiw, Francis Charters.

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

### Recently Deceased

John Moore, Joseph Connell, & Terence Nicholl.  
*May they rest in peace & their loved ones be comforted. Amen.*

**YOUTH WORKER:** We have had a wonderful response so far and thank you to everyone who has pledged. However more is still needed to ensure that this project can go ahead. There are forms at the back of church and a box in which to post the pledges, the sooner the better please. Alternatively you can email your pledge to patreddin@gmail.com.

**(SP/OL) GIFT AID ENVELOPES** are now available for collection. At St Peter's they can be found at the back of church next to St Anthony's statue. At Our Lady's they can be collected outside the Sacristy door.



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**Our Lady's Church:** www.facebook.com/ourladyslillington  
**St Peter's Church & Centre:** www.facebook.com/stpetersspa

Bookings/ enquiries for **The Dormer Conference Centre & St Peter's Parish Centre:** please email Royce McParland: dormercentre@gmail.com

Dear Parishioners,

We have now reached Page 37 in the Walk With Me booklet. I put out over 500 copies between the two churches as well as 500 calendars and nearly every one has been taken. I hope you are taking the time to read and reflect on the reflection for each day. On P.36 Jesus replies to the question "Who is my neighbour?" with the story of the Good Samaritan. In our Sunday Gospel today Jesus shows he is "not constrained by the social and cultural conventions of the day." Like the Good Samaritan of his story he sees people not by the way we see them but as children of God. In the days of Jesus a man would not have talked to a woman alone at the well but Jesus uses the circumstances to bring to light the truth about her life and then to use their conversation to reveal the truth about himself and who He is.

. Bertie my little dog has the ability to cut across social and cultural conventions. He stops to say "Hello" to people I would rather avoid. With his mischievous face he gets people (who look as if they might mug you at any moment) to talk about their favourite dog and to ask what type of Pug he is? This means I have to reply and explain that he isn't a Pug but a Griffon. "What's a Griffon?" they say. "A little monkey!" I reply. Bertie brings out the humanity in youths, the homeless, courting couples and anyone who takes an interest in him. We need to try to see the face of Christ in "the refugee, the prisoner, the abused, the bereaved and the broken-hearted" by seeing them as children of God.

Over the last few days I have attended a number of meetings concerning the future of Trinity School Sixth Form. The results of the recent Consultation are now available on the School Website. I am heartened by the level of support for our school from so many quarters of the community. So many people from all walks of life have spoken about what the school means to them. Sometimes I have felt like a lone voice so it is nice to find I am in fact part of a choir who are all singing the same tune. Following a Public Meeting last Wednesday evening Cllr. Bill Gifford (Liberal, Milverton) suggested that with the local elections fast approaching on 4 May we should write to our County Councillors or visit them in their surgeries to convey our views on the importance of Catholic education.

I am pleased to report that the Governors have decided the best way forward is to keep the Sixth Form open. I am very pleased with this decision but the fight is not yet over as we must do especially by making it the **First Choice** on our application forms for secondary education. With sufficient numbers Trinity School will thrive and continue to provide the "good" education which Ofsted has twice endorsed.

Every Blessing,  
Fr John

**(SP)** Your **red Missio boxes** raised £2,051.39 in 2016. This money helps our Missionaries in countries around world to make a tangible difference in the lives of vulnerable people.

**(OL/SP)** MANY THANKS for all the support for the '**Hunger Lunch**' at which we enjoyed tasty soup, a chat, heard about CAFOD and took over £70.00 for the Lenten Fast Day appeal.

**(OL/SP)** Also on our **Fair Trade Fortnight** stalls at St Peter's and Our Lady's we took £245.00 in sales of Traidcraft goods and hopefully this reminded people about the importance of how we shop. Always look out for the Logo!

**(OL)** **Blessing bags:** If you didn't get a Blessing bag you will find a daily blessing on Our Lady's Facebook page, Our Lady's Roman Catholic Church, Parish of Leamington Spa. All monies raised will be distributed around Kindaid's charities.

**(OL/SP)** **Race night.** Kindaid's next social event will be a Race Evening on **Saturday 6 May** at 7.30 pm in Our Lady's church hall. Tickets £6.00 to include a hot supper. We are looking for companies or groups to name and sponsor a race at a cost of £20.00. If you are interested please contact Jo Mander 07980 315575 or any of the Kindaid committee.

**(OL/SP)** **Fatima Centenary 1917 – 2017 Celebration Event:** This will be taking place on **Saturday 13 May**. St Peter's has been designated as a pilgrimage church for the Centenary Year. A packed lunch will be needed. For parking please use the multi storey car park behind St Peter's. Please come and bring a friend. For details see the poster on our new Fatima noticeboard opposite the piety shop.

**(CTL)** **Country Walk:** The next Churches Together Walk will be on **Saturday 22 April** at 10.00 am around Draycote Water – full details on the poster in the church entrance.

**(CTL)** **The Big Picture course book** is back in stock at St Peter's Piety Shop. If you didn't manage to purchase one before the course started please stop by after Mass.

**(CTL)** **SPAN donations:** Last week you gave £35.00 (Gift Aid), £83.16 (General) and £64.93 (Crisis in Africa). Thank you.

**(SP)** **Friday Luncheon Club.** The next meeting is on **31 March** at 1.00 pm at Seasons Restaurant on Warwick Street in Leamington. There is a list on the Church noticeboard in the outer porch, to add your name and choice from the menu. New members welcome. For enquiries please phone Carmel 07941 840433, or John on 01926 429326.

**(CTL)** **Leamington & Warwick Foodbank** thanks all parishioners for their continued support. At the moment **long-life goods, milk and juice** are especially welcome. Collection points are by St Patrick's statue at the back of St Peter's Church and in the entrances to Our Lady's. Thank you.

**(SP)** The **St Peter's Justice & Peace Rosary** intention is 'to pray for all those experiencing famine in Yemen, South Sudan, Ethiopia and Nigeria, and that we may respond to their need.'

**(CTL)** The **Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage 2017** takes place from Saturday **27 May** to Friday/Saturday **2/3 June**. There are two travel options by coach or air and prices start from £439.00. Booking forms are available on the heating ducts (by the statue of St Stephen) in St Peter's or on the tables in both entrances at Our Lady's Church. More information can be downloaded from [www.tangney-tours.com](http://www.tangney-tours.com).

**(CTL)** St Peter's Aid to the Needy (SPAN) needs a new Treasurer this year. If you are a supporter of SPAN, can use Excel spreadsheets, have kept accounts before, and can spare a few hours a month (a bit more at year-end), please contact Jonathan Holden on 01926 420045 or [jaholden@virginmedia.com](mailto:jaholden@virginmedia.com).

**(CTL)** **Vacancies at Our Lady's St Teresa' Catholic Primary School:** Business Manager (20 hours) per week and Midday Supervisor (10 hours per week). For more information please contact the School Office 424420.

**(CTL)** **Vacancies in The Princethorpe Foundation:** there are a variety of vacancies. See notice on the board in the porch.

**(CTL)** **Formed for Love:** One day (for educators) or three days (for young adults) symposium on St John-Paul II's 'Theology of the Body' is being run at St Patrick's, Soho Square, London from 19 – 22 April. For more information go to [www.formedforlove.com](http://www.formedforlove.com)

**(CTL)** Fully escorted five night Pilgrimage to **Knock Shrine**, Ireland, **24 April** 2017. £649 per person sharing. Price includes flight from Birmingham, luxury transfers, hotel with breakfast and dinner as well as all entertainment, excursions and guided tours. Groups and Individual bookings welcome. Contact Patricia on 07740 175557 or [knockpilgrimages@gmail.com](mailto:knockpilgrimages@gmail.com)

**(CTL)** **Walsingham:** Pilgrimage to the National Shrine to Our Blessed Lady, **Saturday 13 May**, led by Bishop Robert Byrne. Visit to the Slipper Chapel. Holy Hour (Confession, Rosary and Benediction), Concelebrated Mass at 3.15 pm. See notice on the board in the porch. Contact the Organising Secretary Andrew Oldnall on 0121 440 8623.

**(SP)** We need a new (volunteer) **CAFOD** representative for St Peter's. Anyone interested? It could be a multi job share! Contact Janice Austin on 01926 428635.

**Tales of the Unexpected:** Did I watch Crufts many of you have asked? Indeed I did. The boss said it wasn't necessary for me to interact quite so much with the programme. But as he does it for the football so why shouldn't I get a bit excited too? It's only canine after all. Best woofs, Bertie xxx