

## ST JOSEPH'S, WHITNASH



Today's 2nd Collection will be for The House of Light & Hope, Beirut

**Feast of St. Joseph, Monday 19 March:** To celebrate our Patronal Feast, there will be Mass at **9.30** in church with the school, as well as **7.00**.

**Please remember, the church is open all day and the Lord will always welcome you.**

**Chrism Mass:** This will take place at St. Chad's Cathedral on **Wednesday 28 March** at **11.30** and everyone is welcome to attend.

**Easter Flowers:** we are always grateful for donations so that the church can be beautifully decorated for Easter—the box is on the left as you leave the church.

**Holy Week:** Thanks to those who have started to sign up for duties in Holy Week. Please could we ensure that we have twelve volunteers for the washing of the feet on Maundy Thursday. We still need some readers and ministers for the Triduum—please sign the forms in the narthex if you can help.

**Altar Servers:** In preparation for Holy Week, there



**At St Joseph's this week Our Lady's seven-day candle burns for Franco's intentions**

## YOUTH MINISTRY

Contact Erin Doughty our Parish Youth Worker on 07584 272629; [erin@parishyouthministry.org.uk](mailto:erin@parishyouthministry.org.uk)

**'Fearless'** Retreat for Years 5–9 will be held from **20–22 April** at Alton Castle. It costs £69.00 (excluding transport).

**Summer Camp** runs from **29 July to 2 August** at Alton Castle. It is for young people in Years 7–13. This week is life-changing and well worth planning

your summer holidays around. It costs from £195.00 to £265.00.

**Deposits** are now being taken for both these events. If you are interested in finding out more please contact Erin and she will email you the full details.

## RECENTLY DECEASED

Luiz Orlando Goncalves Dos Santos, Anne Bergonzi, Margaret Gordon, Jimmy Dunne, James Ballantine, Ann Collins, Maureen Wall, Richard Lawrence, Darryl Connon, Robert Szyppillo, Christine Williams, Rita Devlin, Nunzia & Giuseppe Arena. *May they rest in peace. Amen.*

## ANNIVERSARIES

Joyce Collins, Hugh Williams, Philip James, Patrick O'Driscoll, Paul Prescott, Hubert Vincent, Norah Baker, Mary Connolly, Colin Dunphy, Cornelius Sullivan, Alexander Hay, Ned Crowley, Phyllis Thacker, Margaret Dowling, Louisa French, John French, Kathleen Connolly, Nellie Webb, Dominic Gamblin, Margaret Marsden, Ada Ashton, Margaret Collins, Natalie Burgielska, Julia Roddis, Peter Cronin, John Kelly, Tony Iwanikiw, Francis Charters, Michael Maxwell, Winifred Fox, Michael Behan, Anne Marsden, Margaret Clarke, Walter Holt. *May they rest in peace and rise in glory. Amen.*

will be a **practice at 9.30 on Maundy Thursday** with Fr Andy, for those who wish to take part in the Triduum. This is the most important week of the year in the Church and we are hoping that all our Altar Servers will attend the practice.

**Special Ministers of the Eucharist:** The commissioning of ministers will take place during the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Maundy Thursday. Please try to attend if you possibly can.

**The Children's Stations of the Cross in Church:** This will take place on **Good Friday** at **11.30**.

**The Hunger Lunch** will be on **Good Friday** (30 March) at **noon**.

**Our condolences** to the families of Anne Bergonzi, Margaret Gordon and Jimmy Dunne who all died recently. Anne's Requiem is on Friday of this week (23 March) at 10.30 and Margaret's on 29 March at 2.30. Margaret will be received into church the night before at 5.00. Arrangements for Jimmy's funeral will be published when available. *May they rest in peace.*

**E-mails:** For administrative information, please use the **office email address:** [secretary.st.josephs@gmail.com](mailto:secretary.st.josephs@gmail.com) **Thank you!**

**OFFERTORY LAST WEEK:** £604.27: Thank you.  
**SECOND COLLECTION:** Zoe's Place £503.87  
**ATTENDANCE:** 284

# CATHOLIC LEAMINGTON

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**Parish Priest St Peter, Our Lady: Fr John Cross**  
**Parish Priest St Joseph: Fr Andrew Franklin**  
**Assistant Priest: Fr Noel Breslin**  
**Retired Clergy: Fr Christopher Greaney**  
**Deacon: Rev David Palmer**

Sunday 18th March  
Fifth Sunday of Lent

In our first reading this weekend we see how the prophet is telling us that the Lord does not want us simply to keep external rules, more that he writes his truth and wisdom in the depths of our hearts. The second reading reminds us that the Lord's earthly work was not an upward curve from one success to the next, there were times when he wept, he submitted and he suffered. In the Gospel we see how Jesus presents to the people his word and that in order for his word to flourish it must firstly die; a direct pointer towards the resurrection. These readings remind us that we are a pilgrim people, we are all on our own journey of faith. If we to wish to share in the resurrection of the dead we have to remember that we have to listen to the word of God and remind ourselves that it is in our own bodily death that we truly flourish. From death comes life and for us as Christian people this life is glorified in the resurrection of Christ from the dead. Lent has flown by and next weekend is Palm Sunday. Let us pray that this period of Passiontide will be a great source of inspiration for Catholic Leamington. Every blessing, Fr Andy

## GENERAL NEWS

**Pentecost Pilgrimage to Walsingham:** Fr John will be leading a Pilgrimage to Walsingham from **21 to 25 May 2018**. It will include visits to the Catholic National Shrine of Our Lady, daily Mass, reflections on the Holy Spirit, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and an afternoon trip out. Pick up a leaflet at any of the churches. Places are limited so please book early.

## THIS WEEK

Cleaning	Team 1	St Peter's
Monday	19 March	9.30 St Joseph's Feast Day: School Mass in Church
Monday	19 March	6.30 Stations of the Cross, SJ
Tuesday	20 March	6.00 Summit Prayer Group, SP Parish Centre
Wednesday	21 March	11.45 SP Stations of the Cross, J&P
Wednesday	21 March	6.45 Stations of the Cross, OL
Thursday	22 March	7.00 Fourth session of Lenten 'Care for our common home', OL Hall
Friday	23 March	7.00 SJ Stations of the Cross, J&P
Sunday	25 March	7.30 SP Choir, The Crucifixion by John Stainer

## SERVICES THIS WEEK FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

<b>SATURDAY</b> <i>Psalter Week 2</i>	17 MAR	OL SP	12.30 5.00	Katie Hannan Celestina Guierros
<b>SUNDAY</b> FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT	18 MAR	SJ OL SP SJ	9.00 10.00 11.00 5.30	<u>School Mass</u> Intention: Jimmy Dunne RIP People of the Parish Brian McCann Richard Lawrence RIP
Day of Prayer for the Candidates for the Sacraments				
<b>MONDAY</b>	19 MAR	SJ SP OL SJ	<b>9.30</b> 10.00 5.30 7.00	Feast Day Mass with School Intention: People of the Parish Myra Durkin <u>Reception</u> : Rita Devlin Alfred & Eva Keating RIP
St Joseph, Husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary				
<b>TUESDAY</b>	20 MAR	SJ OL SP SP	9.30 11:00 12.30 5.00	Hugh Williams Anniv. <u>Requiem</u> : Rita Devlin Mary Pepper <u>Reception</u> : Maureen Wall
Lent Feria				
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	21 MAR	OL SP	10:00 12.30	Anna Ahern <u>Requiem</u> : Maureen Wall
Lent Feria				
<b>THURSDAY</b>	22 MAR	SP SJ	12.30 7.00	Leo & Mary Hennigan Joan Ryan RIP
Lent Feria				
<b>FRIDAY</b>	23 MAR	SJ OL SJ SP	<b>9.00</b> 10.00 10.30 12.30	Myrtle & Peggy Keating RIP John Molloy <u>Requiem</u> : Anne Bergonzi Anne Hornsby Jack Badger
Lent Feria				
<b>SATURDAY</b>	24 MAR	SJ SP OL SP	9.30 10.00 12.30 5.00	Karen Ireson Anniv. Mary Foley <b>VIGIL</b> Maureen Salt Colin Dunphy Kenneth Briddon
Lent Feria				
<b>SUNDAY</b>	25 MAR	SJ OL SP SJ	9.00 10.00 11.00 5.30	People of the Parish Paddy Dunbar William Fogarty Frank Duffy <u>Youth Mass</u> Intention: Joan Ryan RIP
PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD Day of Prayer for the Candidates for the Sacraments				

## CONFESSIONS

**Saturday**  
SJ: 10.00  
OL: 11.45  
SP: 9.15 & 4.45  
**Sunday**  
SP: 3.00-4.00

## EXPOSITION

**Sunday**  
SP: 3.00-4.00  
**Friday**  
OL: 10.30  
SP: 11.00  
**Saturday**  
SP: 9.00  
SJ: 10.00

## SUMMIT YOUTH PRAYER GROUP

**Tuesdays** at 6.00 in SP Parish Centre

## ROSARY

SJ: **Tuesdays & Fridays**, 9.10  
SP: **Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays**, Noon

## MORNING PRAYER

**Saturdays**  
SJ: 9.15  
SP: 9.40

## LENTEN STATIONS OF THE CROSS

**Monday Evening**  
SJ: 6.30  
**Wednesday Day**  
SP: 11.45 (J&P)  
**Wednesday Evening**  
OL: 6.45  
**Friday Evening**  
SJ: 7.00 (J&P)

## ST MONICA'S PRAYERS

*No session this week due to a funeral.*

## GENERAL NEWS

**Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes:** This is from **26 May to 1 June 2018** and will be led by Archbishop Bernard Longley. The Lourdes Pilgrimage Office is on 0121 230 6288 or go the website at [www.tangney-tours.com/birmingham](http://www.tangney-tours.com/birmingham)

**Fr Hudson's Care:** There are leaflets available in all the churches. The charity wants to recruit foster carers in Warwickshire for the increasing numbers of vulnerable children needing care.

**Marriage Preparation:** a pre-marriage weekend course from **29 June to 1 July** at the Maryvale Institute. Bookings can be made online at [www.me.org.uk](http://www.me.org.uk) or call 0121 244 7762.

**Holiday in Blackpool:** a week in either July or August, aimed at anyone who would benefit from an affordable holiday, particularly for older people. Sponsored by Leamington Spa Rotary Club. Details in the Porch or call David Allen on 335364.

## ST PETER'S, LEAMINGTON SPA



The March J&P **Rosary Intention** : We pray for all those who are homeless that they may find shelter, security and hope.

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Please remember that the re-commissioning of

Eucharistic Ministers will take place at the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday (**29 March**) at **7.30**. All Eucharistic Ministers should be present.

**Altar Servers:** rehearsals for Holy Week will take place on Good Friday (**30 March**) at **10.30** and Holy Saturday (**31 March**) at **11.00**. Please make every effort to attend.

**The SP Choir**, with Rob Forbes and David Borsada, will be singing The Crucifixion by John Stainer as a Lenten meditation in SP Church on Palm Sunday, **25 March** at **7.30**. Coll. in aid of Epilepsy Research.

**Churches Together in Leamington:** The ecumenical service of the 'Raising of the Cross' on **Good Friday** needs two volunteers to carry the cross. Please call Jenny on 01926 833378.

**200 Club March Draw:** 1<sup>st</sup> prize £50.00 Fr Noel; 2<sup>nd</sup> prize £20.00 Hilary Callow; and 3<sup>rd</sup> prize £10.00 Eugene Murphy. Congratulations to the winners!

**SPAN:** Your SPAN contributions last week were: **Gift Aid** £80.00; **General** £122.32; **Crisis in Africa** £15.40. Thank you.

**Traidcraft:** Sunday Mass-goers welcomed back the stall after the 11.00 Mass and were most generous, helping us to a total of £163.00 worth of sales. This could be held more often at St Peter's but we need volunteers to do so! Please contact Jenny [jenarmstrong@talktalk.net](mailto:jenarmstrong@talktalk.net)

**Tales of the Unexpected:** Fr John has put his woolly socks away for next winter. I said it's too early. He never listens to a word I say! On his own feet be it. Best woofs, Bertie xx

### COLLECTIONS LAST WEEKEND

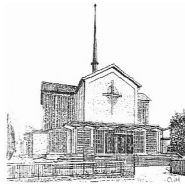
First Collection: £977.37  
Second Collection: £941.35  
*Lenten Alms Zoe's Place Baby Hospice*

### THIS WEEKEND

Second Collection: Lenten Alms - House of Light & Hope, Lebanon

Last Week's Attendance: 406

## OUR LADY'S, LILLINGTON



**Vacancy:** Class Teacher at Our Lady & St Teresa's Catholic Primary School. A full time position to join our wonderful school in September. Contacting the school for an application pack on 01926 424420.

**Altar linens:** A willing volunteer is needed to take over this vital service from Anne Connor. If you can help, please let one of the priests know. Thank you.

**Easter Eggs:** Please can some small Easter Eggs be donated to give to the children after the Easter

Masses. They can be given in at the Sacristy. Thank you.

**Traidcraft:** Thank you for your support over Fair Trade Fortnight with our Traidcraft sales – we sold £163.00 worth of goods over two weekends.

### COLLECTIONS LAST WEEKEND

First Collection: £331.94  
Second Collection: £477.27. Thank you.

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Second Collection: Lenten Alms - House of Light & Hope, Lebanon