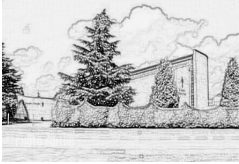


ST JOSEPH'S, WHITNASH



Have you tweeted yet? St. Joseph's @St Josephs 47

Last weekend saw our **First Communions** in the morning and the **Youth Mass** in the evening. Our

congratulations to all the children who received Jesus for the first time last Sunday and to the youth team who led our liturgy at the evening Mass. It was a very rich day liturgically and a reminder that we need to keep our young people in our prayers as they make their choices in life. In addition to congratulations, we must **thank everyone concerned** in the preparations for these two events. We are very grateful for your care and commitment to the younger members of Catholic Leamington.

Feast of the Ascension: Thursday 10 May—a Holy Day of Obligation. Please note that Mass at St. Joseph's is 9.30 in church with the school. The evening Mass is at Our Lady's.

Morning Masses: Would any member of the congregation (male or female!) be willing to serve at these Masses? Fr. Andy is happy to show anyone what to do.

A polite request: Please could people avoid going

to the sacristy during the last 5 minutes before Mass and for 5 minutes straight after Mass to allow the priest some time for preparation and prayer. Thank you.

200 Club: Congratulations to Paddy Close and Jean Dougherty who won the £50 and £30 prizes in May's draw. If you would like the chance to win a prize and to help raise funds for the Church's Building Fund, it only costs £1 per month. The next collection and draw will take place on Sunday 3 June.

Rotas for Ministers and Readers: Please could the new ministers and readers let Jan have their contact details to go out with the rotas. janvireson@gmail.com Please make it clear if you do not want your details to be available to others in your group.

Baptisms: Teddy Williamson on 27 May at 12 noon and Isla Jones on 24 June at 12 noon. Please keep them and their families in your prayers

Thanks to those who walked to church two weeks ago. Our parishioners did 20 miles of the total of 145 miles achieved by Catholic Leamington. There may be another "walk to church" initiative in the summer. Watch this space!

Please send items for the bulletin in by **Wednesday evening.** Thank you!



At St Joseph's this week Our Lady's seven-day candle burns for Jason, Rowan and Carlo

OFFERTORY LAST WEEK: £855.12
2nd Collection: Parish Maintenance £430.93. Thank you.
ATTENDANCE: 573

YOUTH MINISTRY

Contact Erin Doughty our Parish Youth Worker on 07584 272629; erin@parishyouthministry.org.uk

Family Social: 12 May. Visit to Oscott to see Sean and take part in a Marian procession. Meeting there at 5.00 pm for refreshments and a catch up with Sean. All families welcome. Just text or

email Erin to let her know you will be joining us.

It's a knockout: 16 June. Rough Close, Coventry. Come and join our parish team as we compete to win the trophy! £22 per

person. Fun and games, BBQ and outdoor Mass. Open to young people in school Years 5-13. Contact Erin for more information.

GENERAL NEWS

Pentecost Party: To welcome into our parish family those who were received into the Church at Easter, there will be a **special celebratory shared lunch on Pentecost Sunday** (20 May) from **12.30 pm** in SP Hall. Mass-goers from any of the three churches are most welcome. Please bring a plate of food for the shared table. Further details from Margaret on 428399.

Foodbank: The Leamington and Warwick Foodbank would like to say a big **Thank You** to parishioners for their support in donating goods. At the moment they would especially welcome cartons of custard, packets of noodles and instant mashed potato. Everyday toiletries such as shampoo, deodorant and toilet paper are also needed. Thank you for your help.

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Parish Priest St Joseph: Fr Andrew Franklin
Assistant Priest: Fr Noel Breslin
Retired Clergy: Fr Christopher Greaney
Deacon: Rev David Palmer

Sunday 6 May
Sixth Sunday of Easter

The number 40 is mentioned one hundred and forty-six times in the Bible. Generally it refers to a period of testing or purification. During Lent we had 40 days of fasting, almsgiving, prayer and penance. This Thursday is 40 days after Easter and is a Holy Day of Obligation as we celebrate the Feast of the Ascension of the Lord. The Ascension of Jesus into Heaven is for us the sign and image of our destiny. First when God calls us our soul will be welcomed into God's Heavenly Kingdom and then at the end of time we shall be reunited with our body. This will be the fulfilment of our Christian discipleship when we shall be one with God and all in all. Every blessing, Fr John

GENERAL NEWS

On the Feast of the Ascension there are Masses across Catholic Leamington as follows:

9.30 am SJ with the school;
10.00 am SP with St Anthony's, St Patrick's & St Peter's schools;
10.00 am at Our Lady & St Teresa's School, Cubbington;
12.30 pm SP; and
OL 7.30 pm.

Bank Holiday Monday Memorial Mass for Fr Mariano Tarrosa, priest of St Peter's and friend to many. Mass at 10.00 am followed by refreshments in SP Hall.

Tues 8 May: Warwick Deanery meeting at Wootton Waven.

Fatima anniversary: A special hour of prayer and devotions at SP on **Sunday 13 May** from **3.00 to 4.00 pm** to pray for World peace. There will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

Not too late to join the **Parish Pilgrimage to Walsingham** 21-25 May. Please contact Parish Office re few spaces available.

Evangelisation Team: Our next meeting is on **Monday 14 May at 7.30 pm** in the Davenport Room, SP Parish Centre. Newcomers always welcome to help us share the Good News.

Next weekend there will be a **Jumble Sale** in aid of Church funds at SP Hall starting at 2pm.

THIS WEEK

Cleaning	Team 4	St Peter's
Cleaning	Team 2	St Joseph's
Monday	7 May	6.30 Novena to Our Lady with Exposition, SJ
Tuesday	8 May	9.15 Mass at St Patrick's School. No 12.30 Mass at SP.
Tuesday	8 May	6.00 Summit Youth Prayer Group, SP
Thursday	10 May	8.00 Rescheduled SCJ meeting, 6 Chandlers Road, Whitnash
Friday	11 May	9.30 Mass with Novena to the Sacred Heart, SJ
Friday	11 May	10.30 Monica's Prayers, OL
Saturday	12 May	2.00 Pastimes Jumble Sale, SP Hall. Nominal 50p entrance. Refreshments available.
Sunday	13 May	3.00 Fatima Anniversary. Exposition. Prayers for World Peace.

OUR LADY'S & ST PETER'S

Friday Luncheon Club:

The next meeting will be **Friday 25 May at 1.00 pm** at Seasons Restaurant, Warwick Street. There is a copy of the menu on the notice board in SP Church porch. Please

add your name to the list if you would like to come along. New members are always very welcome. For enquiries phone Carmel on 07941 840433.

SPAN: The Annual General Meeting will be on **Monday 14 May at 7.30 pm** in SP Main Hall. This includes a Trustees' Report and Financial Statement for the year. This is followed by the usual monthly meeting. Everyone is welcome to attend. SPAN continues to seek the services of a Treasurer and would encourage you to come to the AGM and see how the charity works. **SPAN:** Last week you gave: **Gift Aid** £20.00; **General** £36.22; **Crisis in Africa** £23.41. Thank you.

Social Committee: At the recent OL/SP Parish Council meeting a decision was made to re-form a Social Committee. We are looking for a team of four or more parishioners who would be willing to give some of their time to re-start this important Community Committee. If you are able to give

St Peter's COLLECTIONS LAST WEEKEND

First Collection: £893.51

Second Collection: £356.11 Church Maintenance

SECOND COLLECTIONS

Today: Church Maintenance

Next Sunday: Catholic Communications

GENERAL NEWS

Congratulations to the Trinity Principal and Deputy Principal who walked 70 miles to raise money for Peter's Place a new educational home for children with special needs. Donations can still be made. See the school website.

Vocations weekend for young women: Organised by the Faithful Companions of Jesus (FCJ) there

Recently deceased

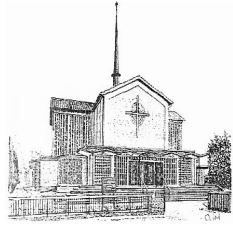
Donna Waters, Mildred Looney, John Murphy, Christina Collins, John Herlihy, John Molloy, Christina Kavanagh, Francis Malaghan, Margaret Wheeler, Avis Charman, Elizabeth Allcock.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord. May they rest in peace. Amen.

Anniversaries

Frederick Walters, Jim Harding, Frank Harvey, Maurice Fitzgerald, Armando Carvalho de Azevedo, John Curham, Billy Harris, Mary Cronin, Dorothy Fox, Noel O'Sullivan, Derek Hodgson, Stephanie Norton, Olga Peach, James Hughes, Seamus Coady, Mary Oliver, Philip Banholzer.

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



ideas and support for a few events during the year please contact Fr. John on 01926 423824 (ext. 0) or email:

stpeterslspa@hotmail.co.uk.

Tales of the Unexpected: When I am walking on the lead (tethered by the neck!) I hate walking straight—it is impossible for a dog. It is better to walk on both sides of the path and to wrong foot those approaching us—especially cyclists. Fr John says what is it about the word "footpath" that cyclists do not understand. Best woofs, Bertie xxx

Music at the 11.00 Mass: Mass of Christ the Saviour by Dan Schutte. Motet: *Ave Verum Corpus* by Byrd.



The May J&P **Rosary Intention:** 'We pray that governments may collaborate in eliminating permanently from the world all weapons of indiscriminate mass destruction (chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear)'.

Our Lady's COLLECTIONS LAST WEEKEND

First Collection: £298.72

Second Collection: £213.87 Church Maintenance

SECOND COLLECTIONS

Today: Church Maintenance

Next Sunday: Catholic Communications

SERVICES THIS WEEK SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 2018

SATURDAY 5 MAY OL 12.30 Jimmy Dunne; & John Igoe
 SPALter Week 2 SP 5.00 Aidaliza Dos Santos; & Kathleen O'Mahony

SUNDAY 6 MAY SJ 9.00 Colin, Rachel & Millie Ochoa: wellbeing
 OL 10.00 Peter Lawless
 SP 11.00 Gerry Quinn
 SJ 5.30 Intentions of June & Peter Hawkins: 60th Wedding Anniversary

MONDAY 7 MAY SP 10.00 Memorial Mass: Fr Mariano
 SJ 7.00 Maurice Weir

TUESDAY 8 MAY Sch 9.15 Mass at St Patrick's School
 SJ 9.30 John Molloy RIP

NO 12.30 MASS TODAY

WEDNESDAY 9 MAY OL 10.00 Noel O'Sullivan
 SP 12.30 Margaret & Alan Newsom

THURSDAY 10 MAY SJ 9.30 Marion Moran RIP
 SP 10.00 Philip & Ruth Corrigan Intentions
 OL 10.00 People of the Parish
 SP 12.30 Hannie Crowley
 OL 7.30 Eileen Lawless

FRIDAY 11 MAY SJ 9.30 James Ballantine
 OL 10.00 John Molloy
 SP 11.00 Funeral Service: Christina Kavanagh
 SP 12.30 Mary & Hugh Gilbride

SATURDAY 12 MAY SJ 9.30 Fr Howard Chabot: Golden Jubilee
 SP 10.00 Jim Birney
 SP 11.45 Nuptial Mass: Sean Langford & Nicola Clark

VIGIL MASSES OL 12.30 James Ballantine
 SP 5.00 Kate Briddon

SUNDAY 13 MAY SJ 9.00 Seamus & Eamon Buckley RIP
 OL 10.00 Irene Dias
 SP 11.00 Maureen Wall
 SJ 5.30 Monastero & Varisco families

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays

SP: 9.15
 SJ: 10.00
 OL: 11.45
 SP: 4.45

EXPOSITION

Sunday

SP: 3.00-4.00

Monday

SJ: 6.30

Friday

OL: 10.30

SP: 11.00

Saturday

SP: 9.00

SJ: 10.00

ROSARY

SJ: **Tuesdays & Fridays**, 9.10

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

SUMMIT YOUTH PRAYER GROUP

Tuesday 8 May

SP: 6.00

MORNING PRAYER

Saturdays

SJ: 9.15

SP: 9.40

ST MONICA'S PRAYERS

This coming **Friday 11 May** at **OL, 10.30**

These prayers were started by Sean Gough, the Year 4 Seminarian who was with us last year. His intention was to imitate St Monica, the mother of St Augustine, who prayed constantly for her son to turn to God. May we encourage you to stay after Mass on Fridays when you can pray for family members to turn to Jesus.