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Sunday 5 January 2020
The Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord (A)

MASS INTENTIONS: 5 – 12 JANUARY 2020

SAT 4 JAN	OL	12.30	Winnie Moore
<i>Psalter Week 2</i>			Michael & Josephine O'Neill
VIGIL MASSES	SP	5.00	Maureen & Harry Willis, Anthony & Jonathan, Anne, Paddy, Nancy, John Murphy
SUN 5 JAN	SJ	9.00	Olga D'Souza RIP Anniversary Marie Kelly RIP
THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD (A)	OL	10.00	Jackie Ingram Our Lady's Altar Servers
	SP	11.00	Doris Hall Susan Day
	SJ	5.30	John Gately
MON 6 JAN	SP	10.00	Patricia Jennings
<i>Christmas feria</i>	SJ	7.00	Repose of the Souls of Ron Forbes & Family
TUE 7 JAN	SJ	9.30	Carmel West RIP
<i>Christmas feria</i>	SP	10.00	Funeral Service: Patrick Mulvey
	SP	12.30	Deceased clergy of the Archdiocese
WED 8 JAN	OL	10.00	Private Intention
<i>Christmas feria</i>	SP	12.30	Sheila Strong Lisa Gorringe
THU 9 JAN	Sch.	9.15	Our Lady & St Teresa's School Mass
<i>Christmas feria</i>	SP	12.30	Edith, Pat & Michael Ryan
	SJ	7.00	Madgie O'Callaghan
FRI 10 JAN	SJ	9.30	Repose of the souls of the Mangan & Cafferkey Families
<i>Christmas feria</i>	OL	10.00	Clergy of the Warwick Deanery
	SP	12.30	Teresa O'Malley
SAT 11 JAN	SJ	9.30	Special Intentions
<i>Christmas feria</i>	SP	10.00	Good health and thanksgiving
VIGIL MASSES	OL	12.30	Dolly Behan Beryl Hartnett's Intentions
	SP	5.00	Mrs Russell Thomas Ryan
SUN 12 JAN	SJ	9.00	James O'Rourke
	OL	10.00	The People of the Parish
THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD (A)	SP	11.00	John Wilson & Prudence Bunch
	SJ	5.30	The Intentions of Shelagh Price & Max Roper

THE WEEK AHEAD

MON 6	
9.30 SJ	Mother & Toddler Group, SJ Hall
6.30 SJ	Novena to Our Lady with Exposition
7.00 SP	SP Social Committee meeting, Flint Room
TUES 7	
1.00 SP	Pastimes social group, SP Hall
WED 8	
9.30 SJ	Art Group, SJ Hall
5.00 SJ	UNITE Youth Club for those in school years 5 to 11 (until 6.30)
7.30 SP	Nurturing the Seed: a 7-part course on prayer & deepening love of scripture
FRI 10	
9.00 SJ	Novena to the Sacred Heart
9.30 SP	Play on the Rock Toddler Group
10.00 SJ	Coffee & Cake after Mass
12.00 SP	Live Simply meeting
SAT 11	
1.30 OL	Start of First Holy Communion prep

CONFESSIONS

Sat. **SP:** 9.15;
SJ: 10.00; **OL:** 11.45;
SP: 4.15

EXPOSITION

Sun. **SP:** 3.00;
Mon. **SJ:** 6.30;
Fri. **SJ:** 8.30;
OL: 10.30;
SP: 11.00;
Sat. **SP:** 9.00;
SJ: 10.00

ROSARY

Mon. (Novena to Our Lady) **SJ:** 6.30;
Tues. & Fri. **SJ:** 9.10;
Tues.-Fri. **SP:** Noon

MORNING PRAYER

Wed. & Fri.
OL: 9.40;
Sat. **SJ:** 9.15;
SP: 9.40

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

First Friday monthly
SP: 7.30
Next: Fri 7 February

KEY:

OL – Our Lady's, Lillington;
SJ – St Joseph's, Whitnash;
SP – St Peter's, Leamington

Safeguarding: St Peter's & Our Lady's Claire Walsh 01926 430070; St Joseph's Honor Hynes email safeguarding.stjosephs@gmail.com. The Archdiocese Safeguarding Team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240. An independent support group for survivors of abuse free tel. 0808 801 0331.

Recently deceased: Fr Brian Doolan, Fr Gerry Breen, Fr John Ellis, Fr John Dewis, Michaela Hogan, Jonathan Willis, Phyllis O'Regan & Patrick Mulvey. **May they rest in peace.**

Anniversaries: Rev Martin Cassidy, Rev Philip Garrett, Canon Martin Power, Rev Francis Dwyer, Rev Philip Smith, Rev John P Davis, Rev Brian Harding, Rev John Bentley, Rev Charles Becker, Rev Philip Wyles, Deacon William Murphy, John Crowley, Maura Flynn, Jim Pugh, Agnes Reading, Elizabeth Hayward, Veronica Deighan, Patrick Byrne, Richard Fairley, Josephine Hand, Sheila Tolley, Marie Connolly, Natalina Piazzon, Joseph Cronin, Sheila Brain, Josephine O'Neill, Kathleen Hardaker-Jones, Mary Kitchen, Gerry Larkin, Katy Hannan, Katherine Underhill, Michael Dorgan, John Ruby, Peter Johnson, Eva Irvine, Patrick Daly, Salvatore Viviani, Giuseppe Urso, Margaret Brown, Janis Berganis, Enid Young, John Crowley, Joan Cotter, Bianca Cruz.

May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

Dear Parishioners

And so it's all over for another year... or is it?? This weekend we continue our Christmastide celebrations with the feast of the Epiphany and next week also with the feast of the Baptism of the Lord. The Epiphany remind us of gifts and we immediately think of gold, frankincense and myrrh. What we must try and remind ourselves is that Jesus Christ brings greater gifts than these. He is the gift of love, peace, joy and healing. The Epiphany is also a gentle reminder that each of us has gifts and talents that can be used to glorify God and to help to build the Kingdom of God here on earth. As we begin this new year of 2020 let us try use our God-given gifts for benefit of our community and for the greater glory of God. A very happy New Year to you. Every blessing Fr Andy.

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Nurturing The Seed – starting this **Wednesday 8 January** – is a series of seven sessions, to help deepen our experience of God's presence. It is an ideal start to 2020 – 'The Year of the Word' – which is an invitation to deepen your love of scripture and to discover new ways of hearing the 'God Who Speaks' in your life. The sessions start at 7.30 pm, Davenport Room, SP Hall. More info from Peter Dimambro 01926 428399.

Preparation for First Holy Communion for children in non-Catholic schools will start on **Saturday 11 January** after 12.30 pm Mass at Our Lady's Church. Register as soon as possible with marygrayling@gmail.com.

Preparation for Confirmation for children in non-Catholic schools: registration is now open. Email maryrouse@rocketmail.com

Burns Night Supper: Saturday 25 January 2020. St Peter's Church Hall, 7.30 pm. This traditional evening celebrates the life and works of Scotland's most famous poet, Robert Burns. Tickets £14.00. You will be entertained by the Piper on arrival, enjoy a three-course meal – including the 'piping in of the haggis' – traditional toasts plus a poetry recital, live music and singing. Numbers are limited to 70 so **put your name down quickly!** Sign-up sheets are in each of the churches.

The Justice & Peace Rosary intention for January is: We pray that in the New Year world leaders may see all nations as one family of God and work together to make our world a safer and fairer place.

Live Simply meeting at 12 noon this **Friday 10 January** in the Davenport Room. Please come and help us plan activities and ideas to make us more environmentally friendly as a Parish and more aware of our need to 'live simply and sustainably'. It has never been more urgent to act to protect our planet.

There is an email circulation list for **Justice & Peace, LiveSimply Parish and CAFOD** notifications. We would very much like to expand this to more parishioners to keep them informed. To join, please send a request email to cl.jandp@gmail.com (GDPR compliant)

SPAN collections counted on **23 Dec:** Gift Aid £50.00; General £149.70; and Crisis in Africa £13.10; and for the week to **29 Dec** Gift Aid £50.00; General £105.84 (incl £25.00 for the Christmas Voucher fund); Crisis in Africa £26.00. Thank you to everyone who donated in 2019, and best wishes for 2020.

The Hand in Hand group meets **today at 3.00 pm** in St Peter's Church Hall. Please note that this is a change to the normal Thursday meeting.

Anne Ward is attending from the Arundel and Brighton Diocese to introduce her production of "Hosanna!" cantata which we aim to perform on **Saturday 28 March** in St Peter's Church Hall. There will be more information shortly, but you are very welcome to attend this afternoon to hear about it.

Friends of the Holy Land seeks part-time paid staff & also office & home-based volunteers: 01926 512980 or office@friendsoftheholylan.org.uk for more information.

Happy New Year from the Dormer Conference Centre! The team anticipates a busy year ahead. Parishioners' needs are **first & foremost** in the allocation of rooms. Please can all Parish Groups or individual parishioners with a booking (or bookings) contact the office to discuss their requirements. If you prefer to email, dormerconferencebookings@gmail.com
We look forward to assisting you.

Youth Ministry

A massive thank you for your continued

support of our **youth ministry** during 2019. I want to particularly thank the youth ministry team who regularly give up their time and of themselves to help at weekly meetings and events during the year.

With so many wonderful volunteers, my hope for the future of youth ministry in our area is a growth in the number of young people accessing it.

1) **Priority** – Taking full advantage of the opportunities on offer and prioritising our faith by encouraging our young people to make a regular commitment.

2) **Mission** – Harvesting the fruits of our mission field. Our close relationship between the parish and Trinity Catholic School will bring further opportunities: potentially running a joint pilgrimage to Lourdes and starting a Youth SVP group to tackle issues that need social action.

3) **Faith** – We need prayer and guidance on

the way God wishes for us to go. We also need to buy resources and fund those young people whose families cannot afford to send them on retreat. If you feel God calling you to sponsor a young person financially, do get in touch.

As we step into 2020 let us "fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith" (Hebrews 12:2).

Emma Rayment, Youth Leader, Catholic Leamington

Our Lady's & St Peter's

Thank you for all your Christmas cards and gifts. Your generosity and kindness is much appreciated by your Clergy.

Today's 10.00 am Mass at Our Lady's is special for some of our **Altar Servers** as the Guild of St. Stephen medals will be presented during Mass.

Thank you for your **Crib Offerings**. At St Peter's these will go to the children's hospice Zoe's Place; and from *Our Lady's* to the Orphanage supported by Kindaid.

Pastimes meets again this coming **Tuesday 7 January**, 1.00 pm in St Peter's Hall. The **Book Club** meets on Tuesday 14 January at 2.00 pm.

The **toddler group** starts again at 9.30 am this coming Friday 10 January in St Peter's Hall.

We pray for **Leda Marianne Lazzara** who is being baptised at St Peter's today. May the Lord keep her in His care always.

Tales of the unexpected: From my Christmas cracker... What did they sing at the snowman's birthday party? "Freeze a jolly good fellow!" Thank you to all my loyal readers for their wonderful Christmas treats. Best woofs, Bertie :-))

St Joseph's

Thank you for your generosity and gifts to myself and Fr Ramunas over the Christmas Season.

Thank you so much for the **Crib**

Offerings which will go to the Special Care Baby Unit at Warwick Hospital.

Work will begin (hopefully!) on the coping stones on the back roof of the Church this week.

Thank you for your donations towards our new vestments. These have now been paid for by your generosity.

The Friday Coffee Mornings start again this Friday, 10 Jan.

The Our Lady's Seven Day Candle booking sheet is now available in the church for the first six months of 2020.

Please remember to fill in the sheet as well as an envelope.

Fr Ralph is enjoying his holiday with us. He is now acclimatised and I am sure many more of you will get to meet him this weekend.



This week Our Lady's Seven Day Candle burns for **Special Intentions**.

Attendance: 500 **Offertory:** SP £901.22 / OL £239.83 **Second Collection:** SP £339.85 / OL £150.99 **Church Maintenance Second Collection today:** Church Maintenance **Second Collection next week:** Church Maintenance **SP Cleaning Team 3** (week commencing 6/1/20).

Attendance: Christmas (3 Masses) 746; Sunday 29 Dec. 279. **Offertory:** £430.56 Thank you. **Second Collection last week:** None **Second Collection today:** None **Second Collection next week:** Parish Maintenance **Counters:** K & C (12th Jan.)