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Sunday 1 March 2020
First Sunday in Lent (Year A)

MASS INTENTIONS

SAT 29 February
Psalter Week 1
VIGIL MASSES

OL 12.30 Fr Pat Farrelly
SP 5.00 Joe O'Carroll

SUN 1 March
First Sunday of Lent (A)
Day of Prayer for the candidates for the Sacraments

SJ 9.00 Mary Hendry & Daniel Hendry
OL 10.00 Margaret & James Lee
Mary Donegan
SP 11.00 Tom Mulleague
Alice McDermott
SJ 5.30 Mary James & Betty Gilvarry Anniversary

MON 2 March
St Chad

SP 10.00 Rosaleen Lyne
SJ 7.00 Joseph Hanrahan Anniversary

TUE 3 March
Lent feria

Sch 9.15 St Anthony's School Mass
SJ 9.30 Myrtle & Peggy Keating RIP
SP 12.30 Prudence Bunch
OW 1.30 Cremation Service: Mark Stammers
SP 7.00 Confirmation Mass

WED 4 March
Lent feria

OL 10.00 Matt O'Reilly
SP 12.30 Requiem: John Moroney

THU 5 March
Lent feria

SJ 7.00 Paul Rabone RIP
SP 12.30 Patrick & Mary Kate Gordon
Bernard Forde
SJ 7.00 Enda McSharry RIP

FRI 6 March
Lent feria.
Lent fast day.
World Day of Prayer.

SJ 9.30 Malachy Caulfield RIP
OL 10.00 Ivan Morgan
SP 12.30 Kathleen Noonan

SAT 7 March
Lent feria

SJ 9.30 Bob & Stephen Rogerson
SP 10.00 Anthony Lambert

VIGIL MASSES

OL 12.30 Phyllis O'Regan
SP 5.00 Liz & David Larard

SUN 8 MARCH
Second Sunday of Lent (A)
Day of Prayer for the candidates for the Sacraments

SJ 9.00 Enda McSharry RIP
Ian Wilshire Anniversary
OL 10.00 James Dunne
People of the Parish
SP 11.00 Helen Murray Cooke
Fr Joseph Fogarty
SJ 5.30 Paddy Murphy RIP
Isobel Jeffrey 1st Anniversary

The Pope's Prayer Intention for March: We pray that the Church in China may persevere in its faithfulness to the Gospel and grow in unity.

CONFESSIONS

All on Saturday. SP: 9.15;
SJ: 10.00; OL: 11.45; SP: 4.15
and by appointment.

MORNING PRAYER

Fri. OL: 9.40
Sat. SJ: 9.15
Sat. SP: 9.40

ROSARY

Tues.-Fri. SP: Noon
Fri. SJ: 9.00

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Sun. OL: 4.30
Mon. SP: 10.40
Mon. SJ: 6.30
Wed. OL: 10.30
Fri. SP: 7.30

EXPOSITION

Sun. SP: 3.00
Fri. SJ: 8.30
Fri. OL: 10.30
Fri. SP: 11.00
Sat. SP: 9.00
Sat. SJ: 10.00

LECTIO DIVINA

Fri. SJ Presbytery: 10.10

BIBLE STUDY

Tue. OL Church: 7.30
Wed. SP Davenport Room:
7.30

The Lenten Retreat Day takes place this coming Saturday 7 March at **St Joseph's Church**. The day will begin with Mass at 9.30 am and then Anne Cartwright, an Ignatian Prayer Guide, will lead the day. A light lunch will be provided, and the day finishes at 3.00 pm. Please do sign up this weekend so we can finalise numbers and arrangements. Many thanks, Fr Andy.

Recently deceased: Michael Hughes, Percy Fitzgerald, Patrick Gannon, Rosario Lazzara, Mark Stammers, Bridget Cleary, Paul Rabone, Margaret Pearce, John Donovan, John Moroney. **May they rest in peace.**

Anniversaries: John Moore, Maureen Wall, Nunzia Arena, Ann Collins, Enda O'Dowd, John Thurlow, Kathleen O'Sullivan, Isabel Thurlow, Paddy Keegan, Zofia Domicewicz, Karen Wright, Dorothy Reeve, Patrick O'Hannigan, Bernard Mortimer, Beatrice Tarver, Mary Hendry, Cath Canning, Claire Lawson, Henry Griffin, John Ryan, Catherine Lane, Esther Rainbow, James Kelly, Chrissie Lane, Bishop Kevin Dunn, Fr William Diver, Fr Denis McGuinness, Fr Denis Murphy, Fr Douglas Carter, Fr John Pinkman, Fr Humphrey Crookenden, Fr Terence Luxon, Canon Anthony Allport. **May they rest in peace.**

Dear Parishioners

How often do you read the Bible? I think many Catholics might be suspicious of anyone who asks this question. Suspicious because Catholics are not renowned for their reading of the Holy Book. Embarrassed because we know we could easily overcome our unfamiliarity by taking small steps. Bible study is one small step we all have an opportunity to take this Lent. There are three courses in Catholic Leamington with one in each church: **Tuesdays** at Our Lady's Church Hall, 7.30 pm; **Wednesdays** at St Peter's Church Hall (Davenport Room), 7.30 pm; and **Fridays** at St Joseph's Church Presbytery, 10.10 am. The energy and thought expended on excuses as to why we don't want to go might just find us enjoying the opportunity, transformed, clearer in our understanding and blessed by the Grace of the Holy Spirit. Enjoy! Every blessing, Fr John.

The **Walk with Me** booklets & calendars for Lent now available. Do take one home and read it throughout the Lenten period.

Please take a **CAFOD envelope** and return it for next week's 2nd Coll. **Hunger Lunch:** Friday 6 March, SP Main Hall at 1.00 pm.

World Day of Prayer: Fri. 6 March. Two Services: Cubbington Free Church at 10.30 am & Holy Trinity Church in Leamington at 7.00 pm

St Joseph's



This week Our Lady's Seven Day Candle

burns for **Marian Dwyer**

We pray for **Lily Evans** who is being baptised at St Joseph's this week-end. May the Lord keep her always in his care.



Thank you: Thank you to all those who came along to meet Bishop William last Sunday. He was very happy to meet you and to spend the weekend here at St Joseph's. We welcome Bishop William back next month for Confirmations.

First Holy Communion Meeting: There will be a meeting for First Holy Communion Parents tomorrow (Monday 2 March) at 7.30 pm in the Church. I will explain the Passport to Faith Scheme and answer any questions you may have.

Podcast: I have recorded a Lenten reflection which is available on the St Joseph's website and Twitter (first time for everything!)

Easter Day Mass: Over the past two years, the 5.30 pm Mass on Easter Sunday has been poorly attended (mainly because we have a good selection of Mass times across Catholic Leamington) and we have struggled to get Readers and Eucharistic Ministers. Therefore, I have decided to cancel this Mass. I warmly encourage you instead to attend the Easter Vigil the evening before or the 9.00 am Mass on Easter Sunday.

Fairtrade goods will be on sale after Mass this weekend.

Parking: Concerns have been raised about car parking on Murcott Road East especially at the 9.00 am Mass. Can I ask you to be considerate to our neighbours and also to remember that when you park it is essential that enough room is left for Emergency Vehicles to get through. It is important that safety comes first. Thank you for your co-operation.

E-news: Please do sign up for the Catholic Leamington Newsletter via Mailchimp on Twitter, Facebook, the parish or deanery website <http://warwick-catholicdeanery.org.uk/newsletter-sign-up/>

Attendance: 322 **Offertory:** £666.53 Thank you. **Second Collection today:** Cathedral Maintenance **Second Collection next week:** CAFOD Lent Family Fast Day **Counters:** K & C (8th)

Saturday Friendship Group Appeal: Very many thanks for your overwhelming generosity to the recent appeal raising £1,6882. Also many thanks to those of you who have offered to volunteer.

FAIR TRADE FORTNIGHT: we have stalls at Our Lady's **this weekend** after both Masses, and at St Peter's on **Sunday 8 March**.

The God who Speaks: Scripture Reflection* *First Sunday of Lent (Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7; Romans 5:12-19; Matthew 4:1-11)*
Avoid independence. Today, both Eve and Jesus are tempted to become independent, to turn away from the love of God. In marriage, we can think we have a right to fulfil our own desires without considering our partner, but we need to share these deepest hopes and dreams, and be prepared to hear the impact on our loved one and our relationship. *from MARRIAGE MATTERS (www.twoinoneflesh.org.uk)

Our Lady's & St Peter's

We pray for **Maia Balan** and **Aoife Holroyd** who are being baptised at Our Lady's Church this weekend. May the Lord keep them always in his care.



Visitation update. I received a lovely letter of thanks from Archbishop Bernard Longley following his visit to Our

Lady's in Lillington and St Peter's in Leamington. He really enjoyed the occasion and we enjoyed having him here. There was a lovely atmosphere at both churches and a real

sense of joy. Many thanks to all who helped to make it such a success. Having visited all the churches in Warwick Deanery, the Bishops will present their report at the closing Mass at St Francis of Assisi in Kenilworth on Sunday 29 March at 7.00 pm.

Confirmation Mass. On Tuesday we welcome Bishop William Kenney C.P. to confer the Sacrament of Confirmation to the Year 6 children from the four Primary Schools in our parishes: St Anthony's, St Patrick's, St Peter's and Our Lady & St Teresa's.

Thank you to Rosaleen Lyne. You will have heard her name prayed for in the prayers for the recently deceased. Rosaleen was a great supporter of St Peter's Church and left us £6,000 in her will. I feel this money needs to be used for a specific purpose so that this lovely lady is remembered for her kindness to her parish community.

St Peter's Choir Sunday 11.00 am. Mass setting: Orbis Factor (Laudate 501 Kyrie, 505 Sanctus, 509 Agnus Dei). Motet: Lord Jesus Christ, Taizé.

Tales of the Unexpected. The boss says we must spend more time reading the Holy Book! I find this difficult, especially turning pages with my paws. It is much nicer to listen to the boss reading it. I close my eyes and then I am in heaven. Best woofs, Bertie. Xxx

Attendance: 643 **Offertory:** SP £921.98 / OL £253.60 Thank you. **Second Collection:** SP £480.17 / OL £165.21 **Church Maintenance Second Collection today:** Cathedral Maintenance **Second Collection next week:** CAFOD Lent Family Fast Day **SP Cleaning Team 3**

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