

# CATHOLIC LEAMINGTON: Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

## Sunday 2 August 2020

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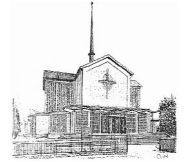
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**D**ear Parishioners,  
This weekend I celebrate my final Sunday Mass as Parish Priest of St Joseph's. It has been a lovely three years serving you here in the parish and also in St Joseph's School. I have also had the privilege of being Chaplain to Warwick and Heathcote Hospitals, which has been a very rewarding and at times challenging ministry. I simply want to say thank you to everyone who has been a part of my life here over the last three years.

When one door closes another opens and that door for me is the Parish of Our Lady of the Wayside, Shirley. The same is true for Fr Noel. As he says goodbye to St Peter's and Our Lady's and his role as Chaplain to St Patrick's and St Anthony's Schools, the door of St Joseph's Parish and School opens for him. Soon, the door of St Peter's will open for Fr Benedict as he begins his priestly ministry with Fr John. A newly-ordained priest is truly a blessing for the parish and wider community. So the message I would like to leave you with is please pray for your priests. We are not perfect, we come and go, but we always try to do what Almighty God asks of us. And as you pray for us, we will pray for you and remember you at the Altar when we celebrate Mass. As one Bishop often says at the end of Confirmation Masses, "Let's simply pray for one another".

With my love and prayers for you and your families.

God bless, Fr Andy, Monty and Oak.

*PS: I didn't think Manchester United would get into the Champions League! Apologies to my Leicester friends!*

**First reading:** Isaiah 55:1-3; **Response to the Psalm** You open wide your hand, O Lord you grant our desires. **Second reading:** Romans 8:35.37-39; **Gospel:** Matthew 14:13-21

### St Joseph's

**Holidays:** I am away from tomorrow until 10 August visiting my family in North Wales. Fr Ramunas will be away from 4 August for one month in Lithuania. I am sure you wish us both restful holidays. Fr Christopher will celebrate Mass next Sunday.

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### St Peter's & Our Lady's

**Our Lady's Masses from Saturday 8 August.** I am delighted to say that Public Masses at Our Lady's Church will re-start at 12.30 pm next Saturday. As we had before lockdown, there will be Confessions from 11.45 am -12.15 pm. Thank you to all the volunteers making this possible.

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**Confessions:** Social distancing is observed at both Churches. The priest hears confessions in church.

**St Peter's:** From Saturday 8 August onwards there are **no morning confessions** but instead from 4.00-5.00 pm. Please wait outside the West Doors until you are called in.

**St Joseph's** Saturdays from 10.00-10.30 am. Please wait in the Narthex until you are called in.

### St Peter's & Our Lady's

#### Sunday 2 August

#### 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time A

8.00: Harriet Smalley

11.00: The People of the Parish

**Monday 3 Feria** — *Psalter Week 2*

11.00: Ellen Barrow

**Tuesday 4** *St John Mary Vianney*

11.00: **Funeral:** Anne Keegan

**Wednesday 5 Feria**

11.00: Thanksgiving (Manning)

**Thursday 6** *Transfiguration of the Lord*

11.00: Gerry Nichols' Intentions

**Friday 7 Feria**

11.00: **Funeral:** June Moore

**Saturday 8** *St Dominic*

**SP No live-stream Mass**

**OL 12.30 Public Mass:** Sean Hayden

**Sunday 9 August**

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time A

**SP 11.00:** Thomas Ryan

### St Joseph's

#### Sunday 2 August

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time A

9.00: Minnie Stack RIP & baby Theo Stack RIP

**Monday 3 Feria**

*Psalter Week 2*

7.00: Jim Kelly's Anniversary

**Tuesday 4** *St John Mary Vianney*

9.30: Anna Jelonek's Intentions

**Thursday 6** *Transfiguration of the Lord*

7.00: Patrick & Bridget Curtin Anniversaries

**Friday 7 Feria**

9.30: Lucas Jelonek's Intentions

**Saturday 8 August** *St Dominic*

9.30: Roisin & Tommy Blair & Peter A. Watts

RIP Anniversaries

**Sunday 9 August**

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time A

9.00: Jim McGarvey's Anniversary

## St Joseph's



This week Our Lady's Seven Day Candle burns for **The Marsh & Ruby Families**

**Parish Office:** The Parish Office is gradually beginning to return to normal. It is open on Wednesdays from 10.00 am until 2.00 pm.

**The remaining Gift Aid envelopes** for this year commencing 12<sup>th</sup> April are

available from the office/Presbytery. Please call before coming.

**Exposition and Devotions** are suspended for the time being so as to prioritise the safe celebration of Mass.

**Requests for the Seven-Day Candle intentions** (£5.00) are

available from 25 October onwards. Please put requests through the Presbytery door.

**St Joseph's SVP** is collecting any outgrown school uniform to pass on to families in need (especially school blazers that can be expensive), but any uniform in good condition can be helpful. There will be a collecting box in the church entrance or call 07713 246989. Thank you.

**E-news:** Sign up for the Newsletter and to receive e-news updates via the parish website ([stjosephs47.org.uk](http://stjosephs47.org.uk)) or [www.warwick-catholicdeanery.org.uk/newsletter-sign-up/](http://www.warwick-catholicdeanery.org.uk/newsletter-sign-up/)

## St Peter's & Our Lady's

**New Mass Schedule:** As I am running both churches on my own for two months, there is a new Mass Schedule from Saturday 8 August. At St Peter's the Sunday Mass will be at 11.00 am instead of the 8.00 am which will cease after this weekend.

	<u>St Peter's</u>	<u>Our Lady's</u>
Saturday 8	No Mass	Vigil 12.30 pm
Sunday 9	11.00 am	No Mass
Monday 10	No Mass	No Mass
Tuesday 11	7.00 pm	No Mass
Wednesday 12	No Mass	11.00 am
Thursday 13	11.00 am	No Mass
Friday 14	11.00 am	No Mass

There will be no Masses on Saturdays, Mondays and Wednesdays at St Peter's. Masses at Our Lady's will be celebrated on Saturdays and Wednesdays.

**News broadcast:** I do hope you can join me for my weekly news broadcast at **12 noon each Sunday** via live-stream. This is recorded so you can watch it whenever you want. It is a chance for me to share Parish News with you. To access the recording, go to the live-stream page and scroll down to find recorded events.

**Deacon David Palmer** has been appointed as the new Chaplain of Warwick University. The focus of this new role is at St Joseph the Worker in Coventry which means David will now serve as Deacon in this Church. On behalf of the parishioners of Our Lady's in Lillington and Catholic Leamington I would like to

thank David and June for their many years of service. Let us ask God's Blessing on them in this exciting pastoral responsibility. It is a huge task with over 20,000 students as well as staff. We wish him well.

**Volunteers: Your Church Needs You.** Can you help for an hour a week? We need to swell the numbers of our Church Stewards and Cleaners to ensure Masses and other Sacraments can take place safely. Also needed are school governors, gardeners, sweeper-uppers, advisors for finance and buildings, fund-raisers (and more members for the social committees); Catechists, Eucharistic Ministers, readers, Health & Safety guidance. You name it, our parish community needs you. Can you help? Bob the Builder says: "Yes we can!"

**Stewards & Cleaners:** I am very grateful to you all. Without you, Masses would not have been possible. If a regular commitment seems difficult, perhaps you could help on an occasional basis (eg funerals, baptisms & weddings?) Contact Martin Foley on [martinfoley73@gmail.com](mailto:martinfoley73@gmail.com) if you can help.

**Baptisms** will re-start in mid-August on Saturdays, 2.00 pm (Our Lady's) and Sundays, 3.00 pm (St Peter's). There are new guidelines which must be adhered to. If you already had a date booked you will be my first priority. If you have not yet been contacted by the Parish Office, please call Jane on Mondays or Thursdays on 01926 423824.

**Tales of the unexpected:** I had a night on the tiles last Friday evening after the hottest day of the year. Not those tiles... did you think I was out all hours having a rip-roaring time in town? Not on your life! Even when I stay out too long in the garden the boss stands at the door and says, "What time do you call this?" No, it was so hot I had to sleep on the cool tiles of the corridor. Bliss! Best woofs, Bertie ;) xx

**The recently deceased of our churches:** Teresa Lynch, John Henderson, Rose Thurlow, Antonio Rivera, Philomena Vale, June Moore, Seamus Martin, Anne Keegan. **May they rest in peace.**

**Anniversaries of the faithful departed:** Eugene Mellon, Mary Russell, William Kelly, Minnie Stack, Columba Kidd, Maurice Sheehan, Ronald Jones, James McGarvey, Daniel Ryan, Rosa Adamo, Mary Pettipher, Frances Booth, Vincent Russell, Frank Rowley, Mary Woolley, Jack Varney, Concetta Clews, Jerzy Kajkowski, William Stack, Sean Rellis, Margret Soomro, Ellen Barrow, Anna Foley, Arthur Thurlow, Fr Richard Lynch, Fr David Ford, Fr Cuthbert Brown, Deacon John Lynch, Fr James Gough, Fr Francis Gwinnett (former Parish Priest of St Peter's). **May they rest in peace.**

**Our prayers** for those ill at home, or in the nursing homes & hospitals of Catholic Leamington: Giovanni Allurlino, Janice Austin, Edward Behan, Mary Craig, Mario Fasi, Edna Hale, Eileen Hiorns, Katie Hobson, Jo Holleron, Estelle Holmes, John Ireson, David Kendall, Mist Johnson, Antonina La Spisa, Nathaniel Manning, Kate Miles, Ann Reilly, Marie Robinson, Patricia Robinson, Peggy Rowlands, Marjorie Smedley, Luke Sweeney, Terena Tam, Terry Tam, George Wall, Elizabeth Weston and Peter Wright. **Lord Jesus, watch over all who suffer and are in pain. Bless all those who care for them.**

**Prayer Group** devoted to Our Lady meets every **Tuesday** at 7.30 pm via Zoom. Everyone welcome. Find out more or join the group, contact 428399.

### Justice & Peace

**The Rosary Intention for August is:** 'We pray that our government may be generous in helping poorer nations protect their peoples from COVID-19'.

**75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Hiroshima and Nagasaki:** Prayer & Reflection online every day at 8.00 am from Thurs 6 Aug to Sun 9 August – email [info@paxchristi.org.uk](mailto:info@paxchristi.org.uk) for the Zoom link.

**Novena to St Francis** will be prayed each week from Sun 9 August to Sun 4 October to mark the Season of Creation <https://cafod.org.uk>