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Newsletter

28th June 2015

Saints Peter and Paul

Saints are curious people to many of us. In a sense, they can appear awesome and rather distant because they often make us feel totally inadequate and unworthy in our spiritual life. The rather unfortunate term 'plaster saint' does not help here, either, because it hints at aloofness and a certain coldness to the everyday experience of being 'human'. However, if we really take the trouble to research our community of saints and their individual lives we would be genuinely humbled at their example of heroic struggle over a very flawed and broken humanity. In fact, to come anywhere near satisfying the strict criteria for Blessedness, the individual saint would have had to have been very aware and fully conscious of their weakness, and sinfulness before a God who held them up and supported them with His grace. It is only when we come to see the frail and dependent humanity exhibited by the saints that we can recognise such within us. Peter and Paul both showed, in dramatic ways, how utterly dependent they were on God's presence guiding their lives. Peter the impetuous, when cornered alone, denied he knew Jesus, whilst Paul (when Saul) hunted down the disciples of Jesus with a vengeance. But both went through their painful transformation as they came to fully recognise

who Jesus the Nazarene really was. And they were men who were given the strength to 'mix it' with their contemporaries, rough or smooth; one with the Jews, the other with the gentiles. They were also prepared to debate with each other heatedly, which perfectly characterises true sanctity; that is, fallen humanity that knows its fallen, but also knowing it is picked up and raised by God to glory.



Services	This Week	Events
<p>6.30pm <i>Vigil Mass: People of the Parish</i> <i>There will be a talk on Aid to the Church in Need at all Masses and a second collection</i></p> <p>10.00am <i>Children's Mass: John Skinner</i></p> <p>5.00pm <i>Mass: Thomas Maguire In memory</i></p>	<p>Sunday 28th June Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul <i>Psalter Week 1</i></p> 	<p>10.05am <i>Children's Liturgy (Sundays outside school holidays)</i></p> <p>Coffee and Tea after 10.00am Mass Justice and Peace Group</p>  <p><i>Collection of old/forgotten little red boxes this weekend</i></p>
<p>No School Mass</p> <p>7.00pm <i>Mass: Private Intention Novena to Our Lady</i></p>	<p>Monday 29th June Feria</p>	<p>8-9.00pm Dancing</p>
<p>9.10am <i>Rosary</i> 9.30am <i>Mass: Private Intention</i></p>	<p>Tuesday 30th June Feria</p>	<p>10.00am Tuesday Club</p>
<p>5.00pm <i>Reception into church of the Body of Kathleen McMullen</i></p>	<p>Wednesday 1st July Feria</p>	<p>9.30-11.30am Art Group</p>
<p>1.00pm <i>Funeral Service: Kathleen McMullen</i> 2.00pm <i>Burial at Leamington Cemetery</i> 7.00pm <i>Mass: Private Intention</i></p>	<p>Thursday 2nd July Feria</p>	<p><i>No Music</i> 7-8.00pm Weight Watchers 7.30pm SCJ Meeting, Olton</p>
<p>No Morning Rosary</p> <p>7.00pm <i>Mass: Doreen Driscoll RIP Novena to the Sacred Heart</i></p>	<p>Friday 3rd July St. Thomas, Apostle Feast First Friday</p>	<p>First Friday visitation of the sick 4-6.00pm Karate</p>
<p>9.15am <i>Morning Prayer</i> 9.30am <i>Mass: People of the Parish</i> 10-10.45 <i>Exposition and Adoration Sacrament of Confession</i></p> <p>6.30pm <i>Vigil Mass: Fr. James (Anniversary of Ordination)</i> <i>There will be a second collection for Peter's Pence</i></p>	<p>Saturday 4th July Saturday Memorial of Our Lady</p> 	<p>8.30am Slimming World 10.30am Slimming World 12 Noon SUMMER FETE at the school Hall booked 3-5.00pm</p>
<p>10.00am <i>Mass: Tommy Blair</i> 5.00pm <i>Mass: Brendan and Paddy Taylor</i></p>	<p>Sunday 5th July Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time <i>Psalter Week 2</i></p>	<p>10.05am <i>Children's Liturgy (Sundays outside school holidays)</i> Coffee and Tea after 10.00am Mass Youth Group</p>  <p>6.00pm Youth Group</p>
<p>Collections £644.49 Banker's Orders (weekly average) £112</p> <p><i>Many thanks for your donations</i></p>	<p>Last Week 21st June</p>	<p>Attendance: 476</p> 

Announcements

OUR SICK

David Harwar, Roy Stanford, Enda McSharry, Seren Robertson, Eileen Hiorns, Patricia Robinson, Brian McCann, Rory and Peggy O'Rourke, Edna Hales, Sue Cleary, Shelagh Price, Jenny Bamber, Sue Day, Michael Gallagher, Miceal Murphy, Phil Lane

University Hospital Bert Brind
Heathcote Shane Grogan,
Kenilworth Grange Margaret Handy
The Lawns Bridget Hunt John L'Estrange

Clarence House Winifred Galvin
Eversleigh N. H. Mollie Benson
Clarendon Manor Mary Jenkinson, Marie Kelly
Stratford Monty Jenkinson
RLS Nursing Home Bernie & Robbie Burns

Anniversaries

Agnes Mills, David McMullen, Harry Beckett, Patricia Hawkins, John Hiorns, Ernest Critten
Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord

First Holy Communions

Congratulations to all those children who made their First Holy Communion last Sunday. Our thanks to all who have supported the children in their journey to this day, especially their families, catechists and their teachers who have prepared them. Thanks also to those who worked quietly behind the scenes to prepare the church for such an important occasion.

Recently Deceased

Kathleen McMullen, a parishioner of St. Joseph's, died on 15th June. Her body will be received into church at 5.00pm this Wed. 1st July and her funeral service will take place at 1.00pm on Thursday 2nd at St. Joseph's followed by burial at Leamington Cemetery. We pray for Kathleen and offer our sympathies and condolences to her family.

Baptism

Baptism Preparation: In the first instance an application form should be collected from and returned to the parish priest at the presbytery. Once a date has been agreed the parents will be invited to a Preparation Meeting which is normally held on the last Monday of the month at 7.45pm in the Holy Family Room. Please note that the child's Catholic parent/s need to be practicing.

Welcome

This weekend, we welcome Dee Thomas from Aid to the Church in Need who will be speaking at all Masses. There will be an opportunity to purchase cards, books, child's bibles crucifixes and religious artefacts. More information may be found on the website: www.acnuk.org

The appeal will take the place of the homily and **there will be a second collection at the end of Mass.** Many thanks in anticipation.

Please note that the scheduled second collection for: : **Peter's Pence will take place next week.**

Safeguarding and Documentation

For volunteers within the church, could those who have not yet been given forms please see Fr. Bob or Honor Hynes [safeguarding co-ordinator] so that we can complete the process and make sure all documentation is up to date. Many thanks for your patience and understanding. We do rely upon our generous teams to allow the parish to function.

This item remains because there are still roles which need to be covered by the Safeguarding forms.

Our Website

The new website for St. Joseph's has now been published and has a new look. It is intended to develop the site and to include more information and links etc. If there anyone who would like to be involved in providing material for it, e.g. taking photographs of parish events and milestones? Please see Fr. Bob

Thanksgiving Mass

Mr. Jim Goggin

This will take place at 9.30am on Friday 10th July here in the church and will be in thanksgiving for the wonderful service given by Mr. Goggin in his time as Head-teacher of our parish school. It has been outstanding in every way. We will also pray that this new chapter in his life will be as fruitful and fulfilling and we wish him well for the future. All are very welcome to attend the Mass.

Next Week—5th July 2015

6.30pm Vigil
10.00am
5.00pm

Eucharistic Ministers:

Stephen McFadden, Jan Ireson
Pauline Mills, Myrna Harwar, Tony Harris
May Murphy, Shelagh Price

Readers:

Carol Bowler
Salvatore Monastero
Anne Kirby

27/28th June	Talk by ACN at all Masses
4th July	12 noon, Summer Fete
4/5th July	Collection: Peter's Pence
10th July	9.30 am Thanksgiving Mass for Mr. Goggin (St. Joseph's Church)
11th July	6.30pm Holy Hour, St. Peter's
11/12th July	Collection: Apostleship of the Sea
17th July	End of term
26th Sept	The Circus, St. Joseph's School
22nd Oct	Confirmations

Youth Group Garden

We are making good progress with clearing the area that will become the Youth Group Garden. We are almost at the stage of preparing to plant. If anyone has any plants they could donate, we would be very grateful. To meet our design brief we are only planting yellow, red, pink and purple plants. From a practical point of view, we would prefer plants needing little care and thriving on poor soil. Please contact Amy Cawood 01926 886680 or email:

Youthgroup.st.josephs@gmail.com

Holy Hour

You are invited to attend a Holy Hour of exposition before the Blessed Sacrament at St. Peter's Church, Leamington on July 11th at 6.30pm to pray for the Proclaim 15 'New Evangelisation'

Red Mission Boxes

There is a nationwide recall of hidden/forgotten mission boxes and so there is a request for boxes that have been left idle for some time. If you know of someone who has a box please help MISSIO by bringing the box to church on the weekend of 27th/28th June to be opened. Lennie and June will be available to empty the boxes and return them to you if you so wish. If the box is no longer required that's fine. Thank you for your contributions and help. Please see posters at the front and back of church.

Farewell

This weekend, Fr. Sebastian takes up his responsibilities as parish priest of St. Francis of Assisi, Kineton and I'm sure you will join me in wishing him well and a blessed apostolate as he also continues to minister to the *Syro-Malabar Catholics*. Let us keep him in our prayers at this time as we thank him for his ministry while here in Whitnash

Parish Centre



Weekly Events (during normal time)

Monday:	Dancing
Tuesday:	Tuesday Club
Wednesday:	Art /Choir
Thursday:	Music Group / Weightwatchers
Friday:	Karate
Saturday:	Slimming World
Sunday:	Youth Club

NEWS FROM THE DIOCESAN YOUTH SERVICE

Oh to be young in summertime! 24-28 July: Summer Camp is being held at Alton Castle for those aged 12-17. For more information please email b e c c y . r o s e m a n @ b c y s . c o . u k

NEWS FROM THE SCHOOL

The Summer Fete: *Please help if you can - just turn up on the day and volunteer, if necessary!*

This coming Saturday - 4th July, starting at 12 noon, It will have an American Independence Day theme: *Following on from our meeting, we are asking for the usual donations of bottles, cakes and tins. Bottles and tins can be left in the porch to be collected, cakes can be donated on the morning of the fete. We would also love some help with the cream teas. If anyone would like to volunteer then contact me at dawnsauvage@aol.com or 07792939984. We also need a few items including hay bales, the loan of a gazebo, and the number of a line dancer!! If anyone can help with the above then please let me know!*

Fete Raffle Tickets: Books are now available in the narthex - please take some with you to sell before the day, if you can.

Many thanks in anticipation of your support.



The Circus is Coming! This will be at the school, booked for Saturday 26th September - 2 shows in the day. Tickets will be available at the Fete .

HELP: (Regarding orange Gift Aid envelopes) If you are using envelope **no. 83** would you please speak to Fr. Bob or Hazel as soon as possible. Many Thanks.