

SERVICES THIS WEEK

SATURDAY 23 Feb Psalter Week 3	OL	12.30	Harkin Family Intentions
	SP	5.00	Eric Duckett People of the Parish
SUNDAY 24 Feb Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C	SJ	9.00	Bridget Kennedy – RIP
	OL	10.00	Barbara O' Rourke
	SP	11.00	Kenneth J. Cross RIP Kathleen O'Brien
	SJ	5.30	People of the Parish Gerry Rush - RIP
	SP	10.00	Eugene Murphy
MONDAY 25 Feb Feria	SJ	7.00	Michael MacMahon
TUESDAY 26 Feb Feria	SJ	9.30	Micéal Murphy - (Birthday) RIP 10.30 <u>Funeral Service:</u> Seamus Keogh
	SP	12.30	Drury Family
WEDNESDAY 27 Feb Feria	SP	5.00	<u>Reception:</u> Tony Sullivan
	OL	10.00	Mike Godwin
THURSDAY 28 Feb St Oswald	SP	12.30	Requiem: Tony Sullivan
	SJ	7.00	Our Lady & St Teresa's School Stephanie & Stanley Rouse John Moran - RIP
FRIDAY 1 Mar Feast Of St David	SJ	9.30	People of the Parish
	OL	10.00	Barbara O'Rourke
	SP	12.30	Tom Mulleague
	SP	2.00	World Day of Prayer Service
SATURDAY 2 Mar Feast of St Chad	SJ	9.30	People of the Parish
	SP	10.00	Eric Duckett
	OL	12.30	VIGIL Timothy Murphy Margaret McLoughlin
VIGIL	SP	5.00	Eric Duckett
SUNDAY 3 Mar Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time C	SJ	9.00	People of the Parish
	OL	10.00	People of the Parish
	SP	11.00	Kitty Crowley Patrick Forde
	SJ	5.30	Dan & Joan Doyle (Wedding Anniversary)

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays

SP: 9.15
SJ: 10.00
OL: 11.45
SP: 4.15

EXPOSITION

Sundays

SP: Holy Hour 3.00

Mondays

SJ: 6.30

Wednesdays

(Term-time only)

SP: 7.00

Fridays

SJ: 8.30

OL: 10.30

SP: 11.00

Saturdays

SP: 9.00

SJ: 10.00

ROSARY

SJ: **Tuesdays & Fridays**, 9.10
SP: **Daily** (except Mondays), Noon

MORNING PRAYER

OL: **Wednesdays & Fridays**, 9.40
Saturdays
SJ: 9.15
SP: 9.40

MONICA'S PRAYERS

Friday 1 March,
SP: 1.00

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**Parish Priest of St Peter Apostle, Our Lady's,
& Dean of Warwick: Fr John Cross V.F.**
Parish Priest of St Joseph's: Fr Andrew Franklin
Assistant Priest: Fr Noel Breslin
Retired Clergy: Fr Christopher Greaney
Deacon: Rev David Palmer

Sunday 24th February 2019
Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time C

Dear Parishioners,

What a powerful message we listen to in the Gospel today. Jesus says "Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who persecute you and pray for those who treat you badly". This is another example of how Jesus takes something old and replaces it with something new. In Jesus' time, nobody would have thought this way. Enemies were to be fought and prayer was only for those we love. Jesus then follows this up by reminding us of a great gift that all of us can use, the gift of compassion. We are called to be compassionate to all of those around us, even our enemies and those who may not like us. This week let us remember to use this God-given gift in all we say and do.

I hope fair play and not enmity is the name of the game in this big weekend of sport: Wales versus England in the rugby, the League Cup Final at Wembley and the small matter of Manchester United versus Liverpool. Enjoy!

Every blessing, Fr Andy.

Catholic Youth Ministry

There are sheets available at Mass today about youth ministry. It makes very encouraging reading. Flip the sheet over and read how you can help this mission to reach more young people.

Friday, World Day of Prayer

On the first Friday in March each year people in over 120 countries keep a common day of prayer. This year women from Slovenia have prepared the ecumenical service. **St Peter's** is hosting the Leamington service at **2.00 pm** with refreshments afterwards. (*Please bring any cake contributions to the hall before the service*). The Methodist Church (near St Joseph's in Whitnash) is also hosting a service at **10.30 am** and would similarly be glad of cakes.

Palm Sunday: Service of anointing of the sick at St Joseph's

This service will be at 2.30 pm, followed by Easter Tea in St Joseph's Hall. The Homily will be given by Father Michael Stack, author of the book "Lord when did we see you sick?" Fr Michael has over 25 years of Ministry to the sick, most recently as full-time Chaplain to UHCW in Coventry. This service is not only for the sick but for the spiritually bruised and walking wounded.

Safeguarding: John Armstrong (St Peter's) 01926 885347; Claire Walsh (Our Lady's) 01926 430070; Honor Hynes (St Joseph's) safeguarding.stjosephs@gmail.com

THE WEEK AHEAD FOR CATHOLIC LEAMINGTON

DATE	TIME	EVENT
SUN 24 Feb	1.00 pm	Parish Lunch, SP Hall
	3.00 pm	Holy Hour, SP
MON 25 Feb	9.30 m	Mother & Toddler, SJ Parish Hall
	6.30 pm	Novena to Our Lady with Exposition, SJ
TUE 26 Feb	1.00 pm	Pastimes Group. All welcome, SP Hall
	6.00 pm	Summit Youth Prayer Group Meeting, Flint Room, SP
WED 27 Feb	9.30 am	Art Group, SJ, Hall
	9.40 am	Morning Prayer, OL
FRI 1 Mar	9.00 am	Novena to the Sacred Heart, SJ
	9.00 am	Play on the rock toddler group, SP Hall
	9.40 am	Morning Prayer, OL
	10.00 am	Coffee & doughnuts, SJ Hall
	10.30 am	World Day of Prayer Service, Methodist Church, Whitnash
	2.00 pm	World Day of Prayer Service, St Peter's
	7.30 pm	SPAN Quiz Night, SP



ST JOSEPH'S, WHITNASH

'**Altarations**': You will be aware that last year I highlighted the tired condition of The Sanctuary. Our project last year was to render, plaster and paint the back wall and to clean and polish Fr McKenna's fine Italian crucifix. This year I would like to embark on a project which has been at the back of my mind since I came to St Joseph's. The main altar in the Church is too big for the size of the Sanctuary area. I would like to replace it with a medium size, limestone cube altar. The Princethorpe Lamb of God will be taken off the present altar and placed on the new one. The new altar would give us much more space on The Sanctuary and would enhance our liturgical celebrations.

Our Lady's Grotto: At the back of the Church this Grotto is a lovely, quiet space for people to come and pray. There is now a votive candle stand to the right of The Grotto, should you wish to light a candle for your intentions or the intentions of others. Looking ahead, during the month of May, I would like us to pray The Rosary each day at 12 noon at the Grotto. St Joseph's School have already kindly volunteered to lead The Rosary on two days and a rota will be in the Narthex for you to sign up, should you wish to lead The Rosary.

200 Club Draw: The next collection and draw will take place on **Sunday 3 March**.

Ministers and Readers: Those who receive their rota by email should have them by now and those who use a hard copy will find their named letters in the Sacristy. Anyone who does not have a rota, please contact Jan Ireson. Thank you all for your commitment and hard work.

Offertory last week: £595.91.

Second Collection: No Second collection.

Attendance: 316

Second collection today: No second collection.

Next Week: Cathedral Maintenance.

Next Week's rota: Sunday 3 March

9.00 am Mass: Adam Borley, Alex Jamison, Pauline Mills, Milsy John, Alfonso Pacitti.

Readers: Honor Borley & Jayol John.

5.30 pm Mass: Stephen Bamber, Julia Leask, Niall Herbert, Paddy Close, Kim Kearns.

Readers: Alison McLeary & Carol Bowler.

Counters: A & J.

At St Joseph's this week Our Lady's Seven Day Candle burns for The Intentions of **Sr. Christine Mathers**



GENERAL NEWS/EVENTS FOR CATHOLIC LEAMINGTON

SPAN Quiz this coming Friday: Tickets will be on sale after Sunday Masses today. Adult £5.00, Youth £1.00. You can pay at the door on the night but advance purchase recommended. 7.30 pm for an 8.00 pm start. Bar, refreshments and raffle.

Online Lent Retreat 2019: sign up at pathwaystogod.org and come to a local group meeting weekly (Davenport Room, SP Centre) starting on **Friday 1 March** at 7.30 pm.

Dormer Senior Citizens meet for Afternoon Tea, some bingo, a raffle and good, fun company on the first Saturday of each month. A warm welcome awaits you at 1.30 pm on **Saturday 2 March** in SP Parish Hall. No need to join or book, just come along.

Pastimes Jumble Sale —Saturday 9 March: Bring your good quality donations to SP Hall on Tuesday afternoons or call Mary Curran on 07711 794049 to arrange a collection.

Traditional Music Session on the **first Friday** of each month at SJ Parish Hall. The first session will be on **Friday 8 March, 8-11.00 pm**. Please do come and join us, refreshments will be provided.

SPAN donations this week: Gift Aid £30.00; General £69.96; Crisis in Africa £20.30. Thank you.

Diary date: Kindaid's quiz and games night will be held on **Saturday 30 March** at Our Lady's. This will include a mixture of games, challenges and quiz questions for all ages plus a hot supper.

IGNATION RETREAT DAY Sat 30 March, St Joseph's Parish Centre

The day starts at 9.30 am with Mass and runs till 3.00 pm. A light lunch will be provided. To book a place please ring June Arran on 01926 332303 or sign the form in St Joseph's Narthex. We look forward to sharing the day together.

OUR LADY'S & ST PETER'S

Traidcraft: Fair Trade Fortnight starts tomorrow **25 February** and runs through to **10 March** If you can help sell goods at Our Lady's or St Peter's one or both weekends, please contact Jenny Armstrong jenarmstrong@talktalk.net

SP Choir 11.00 am Music: Mass is Christ the Savior [sic]; and the Motet is *Tibie paiom* by Dmytro Bortnianski.

Kindaid **Cake Sale:** Next Sun after OL 10.00 am Mass .

Evangelisation Team: next meets on **Mon 4 March** at 7.30pm in the Davenport Room, SP Parish Centre.

Clergy Training Fund: The Vocations Director, Fr Michael

Dolman, has written to thank the regular contributors from St Peter's for raising **£1,540.00** in 2018 – a wonderful sum. If you can support the Fund with a regular donation please contact local fund organiser Margaret Dimambro (01926 428399).

ON THE BOARDS you will find details of the Birmingham Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes, 25 – 31 May 2019; and the *Fatima Pilgrimage*, 10 to 16 July 2019.

Tales of the Unexpected: Like every good detective I follow my nose and sniff out anything that seems suspicious. Last week I found a biscuit tin - I

remember it from Christmas. It smelt very interesting. When I pushed it over the lid opened. There was nothing in it! Better luck next time. Best woofs, Bertie :-)

SP Offertory £916.50

Thank you.

Second collection £422.08 (Racial Justice)

OL Offertory £320.97

Thank you.

Second collection £154.86 (Racial Justice)

Second Collection today: Church Maintenance

Next week:

Cathedral Maintenance

Attendance:

(SP) 446 (OL) 217

Recently deceased: Margaret McCarthy, George Beamish, Mary O'Sullivan, Adele Cooke, Mary Mortimer, Tony Sullivan, Barbara O'Rourke, Eric Duckett, Kathleen Connolly, Kitty Crowley, Seamus Keogh, Barry Woods. **Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord. May they rest in peace. Amen.**

Anniversaries: Paddy Sugrue Senior, Cath Canning, Claire Lawson, Henry Griffin, John Ryan, Catherine Lane, Esther Rainbow, William Punch, Paul Cullen, Mary Philpott, Mary O'Hannigan, Mary Jones, Mary Kiernan, Dorothy Reeve, Patrick O'Hannigan, Zena Godwin, Alan Powell, Catherine Doyle, Frances Redmond, Tom Mulleague, Delia Tully, Paddy Keegan, John Behan, Derry Murphy, Nunzia Arena. **May they rest in peace and rise in glory. Amen.**