## The Catholic Parish of St Mary, Leek This parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham Registered Charity No 234216

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"Our vision is to be a Catholic Parish living Christ's command,
'Love one another as I have loved you." (see Jn 13:34)

## Parish Newsletter for the weekend of 8th/9th November 2025

Saturday 8 November DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

12.30pm Family Mass Pauline Melward (RIP) **Sunday 9 November** 10am Mass Remembrance Sunday Janus Szura-Zwierski (SI)

Monday 10 November NO MASS
Tuesday 11 November NO MASS
Wednesday 12 November NO MASS
Thursday 13 November NO MASS
Friday 14 November NO MASS

Saturday 15 November 33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Sunday 16 November**12.30pm People of the Parish
10am Mass Barbara Frith (RIP)

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**Parish Safeguarding** the Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Malcolm Sproat. He can be contacted at: <a href="mailto:sg.stmary.leek@rcaob.org.uk">sg.stmary.leek@rcaob.org.uk</a> or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240/ <a href="mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk">safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk</a> if you have any concern.

An adult must accompany children of primary school age if they need to leave the church to use the toilets during Mass or other Church services. Also, please do not let children of this age go near the votive candle stands unaccompanied, and do not let them run round the car park. It is important that we do everything to ensure that accidents do not happen. Thank you for your help in keeping our children safe.

Please pray for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life Can you set aside one day each month to pray for Vocations? If so, could you sign the list at the back of church, please.

**Please pray for the sick** Chris Rea, Kathryn Higginbotham, Norman Syddall, Andrew Clifford, Janusz Szura- Zwierski, Fr Anthony Dykes, Madeline Horter, Anne Malkin, Tom Gronkiewicz, Deacon Stephen Saum, Jaz Byrd, Joanne.

Due to data protection legislation, for a name to be printed in this newsletter, the consent of the person who is unwell needs to be given.

## **NOTICES**

## PLEASE NOTE NEW MASS TIMES FOR SATURDAY

Fr Martin is currently poorly, and unable to celebrate Mass publicly, please keep him in your prayers for a speedy recovery.

A huge thank you to Fr Eamon for celebrating our Masses this weekend.

Mass intentions that can't be celebrated will be transferred to future and we will try to let you know the rescheduled date.

Any urgent requests please visit the North Staffs Deanery website and make contact with one of the nearby priests, however for general questions or issues, please continue to email stmary.leek@rcaob.org.uk, or leave a message on 01538 382385 and these will be dealt with as normal.

A statue of Sleeping St Joseph has been added to St Joseph's Altar. Any petitions can be placed into the box next to him. These will then be put underneath the statue as a request for St Joseph. Pope Francis said that whenever he had a problem or difficulty, he would write a little note and place it under the statue so that St Joseph can dream about it and offer his prayers for this intention.

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> November, we will be joined by students from Painsley, who will be taking part in the Mass and will have a cake sale after Mass to raise funds for their Lourdes trip in 2026.

A new date for your diary! On the 14<sup>th of</sup> December there will be a family Carol Service at 5pm, with cakes and drinks afterwards. All are welcome.

Calling all crafters .... The Social committee would like to invite anyone interested in joining a monthly craft group to contact Liz Pegg on 07812 918228.

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> November at 10am there will be a pre advent church cleaning. We really need more volunteers; any help you could give would be fantastic. Please come along and help us prepare the church for the season of Advent and Christmas.

Hope you all have a joyful and peaceful week.