



St. Alban's Parish Newsletter
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19th January to 27th January

Week 2 of Ordinary Time – Year 1

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat. 19th January 12.00pm to 12.30pm 6.00pm Mass	Votive Memorial of Our Lady Confessions Graham Ward & The Thomas family
Sun. 20th January 10.00am Mass	2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time Kevin Bush
Mon. 21st January 6.00pm-7.00pm 7.00pm Mass	St. Agnes, Virgin & Martyr Adoration in St. Joseph's Chapel GE Cerys Robins
Tues. 22nd January 9.30am Mass	St. Vincent, Deacon & Martyr For All Parishioners
Wed. 23rd January 11.30am Requiem Mass 7.00pm Mass	Weekday in Ordinary Time Sue Ryan For All Parishioners
Thurs. 24th January 9.30am Mass	St. Francis de Sales, Bishop & Doctor of the Church John Kane
Friday 25th January 8.30am to 9.30am 9.30am Mass	The Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle Adoration in St. Joseph's Chapel For All Parishioners
Sat. 26th January 12.00pm to 12.30pm 6.00pm Mass	Sts. Timothy & Titus, Bishops Confessions Eileen and Fred Bowen
Sun. 27th January 10.00am Mass	3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time For All Parishioners

What's on this Week

WHAT	WHEN	WHERE
Legion of Mary	Monday, 7.30pm	In the Presbytery
Divine Mercy Group	Tuesday 12.15pm	In the Presbytery
Parish Council meeting	Tuesday 6.00pm	In the Presbytery

JESUS, THE GUEST

We should not be too surprised at seeing Jesus attending a wedding ceremony and being very much a part of the great celebration that a wedding is. Together with His Mother and His friends, He had been invited to what was always a very happy and joyful occasion not only for the Bride and Groom but also for their friends as well. On this occasion, His Mother noticed that a problem had arisen because the wine had run out, a very embarrassing situation for the Bride and Groom. Instinctively, Mary brings the problem to Her Son and though He seems to ignore Her request, She knew that He would do what was necessary. "Do whatever He tells you," She said to the stewards. Never doubting that He would respond to the need of the moment She left it to Him to decide how and what to do. When the steward had tasted the water now made wine, they all knew that something astonishing had happened. By His response to the intercession of His Mother in an ordinary everyday human need, Jesus had taken the first step to enable His disciples to "believe in Him".

Anniversaries

Raymond Hagland, Thomas Canham, Martha O'Sullivan, Michael Collins, Zygmund Wylinski, Mary Sims, Joyce O'Brien, Lily Hulbert, Paul John, Paul McCauliffe, Leonard Savoury, Paula Hull, Dennis O'Neil, Michael Johnson, Bernard Wilby, George Daniels, Barbara Watkeys, Thomas Dineen, Frederick Ford, Hannah Brice, Ellen Sheehan, .

Our Sick Ethan Chichester, Christian Babu, Pat Xuereb, Colin, Shirley & Michael Kingston, Audrey Bodenham, Paul O'Brien, Gareth and Ethan Woodberry, Don & Dorothy James, Barbara Hurley, Michael McCauliffe, Beatrice Rajanayagam, Elle Fine, Jack O'Leary, Iris Murphy, Dennis Caine, Elizabeth Sitole, Paul Burns, David Burns, Shelagh O'Donoghue, Julie Cale, Phyllis Clarke, Betty Millar.

To add to this Sick List please leave names in the Sacristy, or at back of Church.

Church Offerings 12th and 13th January 2019

Offertory Collection:-	£633.59
Of which:-	£260.00 was Gift Aided
Crib offerings for homeless & Refugees in the diocese	£205.28

THIS YEAR

A major event has been arranged in the Archdiocese to discuss the all-important matter of Christian Discipleship - what does it mean and how can we prepare people in our Parishes to really take on this role of disciples of Jesus Christ? World-famous speakers have agreed to be at this event which will take place on Saturday, June 15th 2019 at the Holiday Hotel in Newport and will be the final day of a four-day conference for the Priests of the Archdiocese. Please make a note of this event. More details will be available nearer the date.

SHARE THE FAITH

On Wednesday of this week we hope to continue the weekly meetings for those seeking a deeper knowledge of their faith, those who might be thinking of becoming a Catholic (this is NOT a commitment to do so), or those who simply want to rekindle their faith from the past. The meeting will be in the St. Joseph's Chapel and will start at 7.30pm, following the 7.00pm Mass. ALL are very welcome.

THIS WEEK

On this Sunday evening we are invited as a Parish to join worshippers of other Christian Churches to celebrate the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. This will take place at 6.00pm on Sunday at St. Saviour's Church, and we hope that many will respond to the invitation we have received.

On **Tuesday** of this week, the **Parish Council** will meet in the Presbytery at 6.00pm when we hope to discuss the results and opinions arising from last Friday's General Parish meeting.

SPUC wish to thank St. Albans Parishioners for their most generous response to our White Flower Appeal raising the amazing sum of £503.95, and just as important, the signing of 80 postcards to the Prime Minister opposing decriminalisation of abortion in the UK. God bless you all.

There is a box at the back of the church for old palms which are to be burnt for the **Ashes** at the beginning of **Lent**.

PILGRIMAGE TO GARABANDAL has been arranged for next year, May 5th -9th. Cost is £449.00 and a deposit of £150 is required to start. For details and for booking please ring Philip Illsley on 01443 203 305.

PRISON VISITORS

Anyone who might be interested in finding out about this small group of Parishioners who attend the Prison Mass every Friday, please have a word with Fr. Philip. We need some more to make up this group which attends the 3pm Mass and then chats with the 'residents', getting to know them and give whatever encouragement they can. This is a very good sign of the Church's care for all God's children, wherever they are or whoever they are.

A tourist visiting the Holy Land went to the Sea of Galilee to see the place where Jesus walked on water. He thought he would take a boat ride across the lake but on being told it would cost £15 he declined. He told the boat owner "I'm not surprised Jesus walked at those prices!"

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A.P.F. RED MISSIO BOXES

The red 'Missio' Boxes are now due to be emptied, so could all those who have a box please leave them in the Presbytery. The empty boxes can be collected from the Church Shop the following Saturday/Sunday. Many thanks to those who have taken a box. Anyone who needs a box collected please ring Peter on 20216481. Please make sure that your address is on the form on the bottom of the box.

Recently Dead

Sue Ryan – Requiem Mass Wednesday 23rd at 11.30am
Mary Groves – Funeral Service Monday 4th February at 12.15pm
John Duggan – No details available yet.

Holy Communion 2019

The Parent meeting and enrolment will take place on **Sunday 20th January** from **5.30pm till 6.30pm**.

There will then be **10** lessons each week beginning with **Lesson 1** on **Sunday 27th January** from **5.30pm till 7.00pm**.

Any questions, please contact one of the Catechists.
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