



St. Alban's Parish Newsletter
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21st January to 29th January 2017

Third Week in Ordinary Time

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat. 21st January 12.00 to 12.30pm 6.00pm Mass	St. Agnes, Virgin & Martyr Confessions G.E. Sally Hiles
Sund. 22nd January 10.00 am Mass	3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time Kevin Bush
Mon. 23rd January 6.00pm to 7.00pm 7.00pm Mass	Feria Adoration in the Chapel Catherine Nugent
Tues. 24th January 9.30am Mass 11.30am Funeral Service	St. Francis de Sales, Bishop & Doctor of the Church Mary Chichester Reginald (Graham) Ward
Wed. 25th January 7.00 pm Mass	The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle Mary Chichester
Thurs. 26th January 9.30 am Mass	Sts Timothy & Titus, Bishops Rose Goulding & The Wellington Family
Friday 27th January 8.30 – 9.30 am 9.30am Mass	St. Angela Merici, Virgin Adoration in the Chapel Jean Davies
Sat. 28th January 12.00 to 12.30pm 6.00pm Mass	St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest & Doctor of the Church Confessions D.M. Carr family
Sunday 29th January 10.00am Mass	4th Sunday of Ordinary Time D.M. James and Evans Families

What's on this Week

WHAT	WHEN	WHERE
Legion of Mary Function	Monday 7.30pm	Presbytery
Union of Catholic Mothers	Monday 7.30pm	Presbytery
Divine Mercy Group	7pm Tuesday	Presbytery
RCIA Meetings	Wednesday After Mass	St. Joseph's Chapel

CHRISTIAN UNITY

This week, leading up to the Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul next Wednesday, January 25th, marks the week of Prayer for Christian Unity. But what does that mean? What are we praying for or about? We all know that there are many different kinds of Christians, different because of understandings of the Gospel, different because of organisation of church communities, different because of history and past failures, different because of a lack of openness to the working of the Holy Spirit. In the face of so many differences, how can we think of and pray for unity? Perhaps the beginning of our answer lies in some words of Jesus Himself: "I am the Way, the Truth and the life." He has reminded us that all Christianity, all discipleship must follow in His footsteps and must therefore reflect that He really IS the Way, the Truth and the Life. Our belief in Him, our following of Him, our witness to Him must reflect this. As we contemplate what a difference this would make to our world at this time in history we ask Him that, in spite of differences, but through so many wonderful examples of true Christian living across all denominations, our witness of Him to our world will still lead Humanity to recognise Him as the Way, the Truth and the Life.

Our Sick

Ethan & Ray Chichester, Lesley Barnett, Bernard Toft, Maria Jones, Colin Kingston, Gareth & Ethan Woodberry, Bob Molcher, Christian Babu, Val Kenealy, Veronica McCarthy, Kath Helkvist, Pat Xuereb, David Burns, Jacob Meighan, Julie Cale, Henry Burns, Tina Price, David Bateman, Anna Sueref, Pat Kiever, John Cowhey, Jack O'Leary, Mike McCauliffe, Fred Ridout Tom and Sheila Downey.

Anniversaries

Michael Collins, Zygmund Wylinski, Mary Sims, Joyce O'Brien, Lily Hulbert, Paul John, Leonard Savoury, Paula Hull, Dennis O'Neil, Michael Johnson, Bernard Wilby, George Daniels, Barabara Watkeys, Thomas Dineen, Frederick Ford, Hannah Brice, John Hayes, Florence Gore, Marie McNally, John Dacey, Margaret Mapley.

Church Offerings, 14th and 15th January 2017

Offerory Collection - £713.67
 of which £270.50 was gift aided
 Christmas Offerings (Additional) £20.00

CELEBRATE!

On Sunday, February 12th, at 7.30pm at Christ the King Parish Centre on Newborough Avenue, an evening of praise, sharing, drama, refreshments and a guest speaker have been arranged to celebrate our faith in the Charismatic format. For more information email CLARE.REAY@HOTMAIL.COM or phone 02920 755060. Details are on our notice board.

NEW SCHOOL

A new Catholic School in Barry which unites St. Helen's Infant and Nursery schools with St. Helen's Junior school will open in May, 2017. For this important development a new Head Teacher is to be appointed. For any further information for potential applicants see the notice on our notice board.

Recently Dead – Please remember in your prayers, Reginald (Graham) Ward, whose Funeral Service is at 11.30am on Tuesday January 24th

FUNERAL

Parishioners will be aware that the funeral service for Leslie Cryer, arranged for last Wednesday, had to be postponed due to unforeseen circumstances. That service is now re-arranged for 11.15am on Friday February 3rd with the cremation at Thornhill at 12.30pm.

Sacramental Preparation Class

The Preparation Class for Reconciliation and Holy Communion will start again this Sunday, 15th January at 11 am in the Church hall. Please ensure that all candidates bring along their books and Mass attendance sheets for review at the first lesson after the break.

Confirmation Preparations

These will start again on Sunday 22nd January 2017 at 12 noon in the Church hall

Baptism Preparation Meetings

For Parents and Godparents, the next meeting of the class is on Sunday 29th January at 12 Noon in the Church Hall. This meeting is for all parents and Godparents who would like to have their child/children Baptised at St. Alban's. Any questions please speak to Fr Scanlan, Maggie or Theresa.

SPUC White Flower Appeal raised the amazing amount of £543.42. SPUC wish to Thank everyone for their great generosity. The Pro-life battle against what St. Pope John Paul described as 'The culture of death' could not continue without such generosity and prayers.

ORGAN MUSIC AT ST.PETER'S

On the 26th January at 7pm our organist Peter Clark will be giving a recital at St. Peter's. This is the first of a planned series of monthly recitals which will take place on the last Thursday of each month. It is hoped, in future, to invite other organists from local Churches to present recitals. There is no admission fee but a collection will take place at the end of the recital for Church groups. This month's collection is for the SVP. Each recital will last about an hour and feature music by Johannes Pachelbel and Carlotta Ferrari.

WEDDINGS

Anyone who wishes to celebrate their marriage at St. Alban's this year and who has not yet had a meeting with the Priest please contact us as soon as possible. Dates for the preparation course are February 26th, March 26th, April 23rd, May 14th and June 11th.

"What did the Sunday School teacher tell you today?" "She told us how the Children of Israel were running away from the Egyptians and when they came to the Red Sea Moses built a large bridge and when the Egyptians rushed in the Children of Israel blew up the bridge"
"The Sunday School teacher told you that?"
"No, But if I told you what she really told us you wouldn't believe a word!"

CARE OF THE SICK

Following the appointment of two Volunteers to help with the spiritual care of patients at the Heath Hospital, we ask that if you know of any patient who would like Sacramental support or even just a visit, please contact the UHW Chaplaincy Department on 02920 743230. Regarding the same need in our Parish, we have found recently that some Parishioners who are sick and housebound have not been receiving the Sacraments simply because nobody informed the Presbytery of their need. If you know of any Parishioner who is sick and needs the Sacraments or a visit, please inform one of the Priests. Thank you.

Parish Quiz Night There will be a Quiz Night in the Parish Hall after Mass on Saturday 4th February, doors open at 7pm, bar and light buffet, £3 entry per person.

Copies of the **Archdiocesan Directory and Year Book** for 2017 are now on sale at the shop, price £3.00.

HELP!

A young Catholic man, Jose, from South America, now working in the caring services, is desperately seeking accommodation for three months until he can find a permanent home. To discuss or for further information, please ring Jose on 07545704297.

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