



**St. Alban's Parish Newsletter**  
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**26<sup>th</sup> January to 3<sup>rd</sup> February**

**Third Week of Ordinary Time – Year 1**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>Sat. 26<sup>th</sup> January</b> 12.00pm to 12.30pm 6.00pm Mass	<b>Sts. Timothy &amp; Titus, Bishops</b> Confessions Eileen and Fred Bowen
<b>Sun. 27<sup>th</sup> January</b> 10.00am Mass	<b>3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time</b> For All Parishioners
<b>Mon. 28<sup>th</sup> January</b> 3.30pm Requiem Mass 6.00pm-7.00pm 7.00pm Mass	<b>St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest &amp; Doctor of the Church</b> Julia Sheila Naughton Adoration in St. Joseph's Chapel For All Parishioners
<b>Tues. 29<sup>th</sup> January</b> 9.30am Mass	<b>Weekday in Ordinary Time</b> Thanksgiving, for the good estate of Ruby (Elliot)
<b>Wed. 30<sup>th</sup> January</b> 7.00pm Mass	<b>Weekday in Ordinary Time</b> For All Parishioners
<b>Thurs. 31<sup>st</sup> January</b> 9.30am Eucharistic Service	<b>St. John Bosco, Priest</b> For All Parishioners
<b>Friday 1<sup>st</sup> February</b> 8.30am to 9.30am 9.30am Mass	<b>Weekday in Ordinary Time</b> Adoration in St. Joseph's Chapel For the Fernando Family
<b>Sat. 2<sup>nd</sup> February</b> 12.00pm to 12.30pm 6.00pm Mass	<b>The Presentation of the Lord</b> Confessions Terry O'Brien
<b>Sun. 3<sup>rd</sup> February</b> 10.00am Mass 6.30pm Service	<b>4th Sunday of Ordinary Time</b> For All Parishioners Prayers, readings & Benediction

**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
Coffee Morning	Tuesday next week, 10.00am	In the Hall
Prayer Service	Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup> Feb, 6.30pm	In the

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

A number of topics surfaced at last Tuesday's meeting and it became clear that, among others, there is a need for more Parishioners to come forward to take on some of the ongoing tasks which keep the Parish ticking over: help with the Sacristy, help with the church cleaning, help with the hall bookings and maintenance, help with the good works of the S.V.P. and the Legion of Mary. Many of these works are being done now but mainly by Parishioners who are getting older and therefore not able to commit to the work as they would wish.

**Anniversaries**

George Daniels, Barbara Watkeys, Thomas Dineen, Frederick Ford, Hannah Brice, Ellen Sheehan, John Hayes, Florence Gore, Marie McNally, John Dacey, Patrick Brady, Margaret Mapley, Robert Russ, William Affley, John Barry, Robert Madden, Joan Kerrigan, Joan Lansdown, Ray Chichester.

**NO MASS!** As Fr. Philip and Fr. Michael are due to attend a Rosminian meeting at Leicester next Thursday (Jan 31<sup>st</sup>) please note that there will be NO MASS here on that day. This will be replaced by a Eucharistic Service.

**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.

**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 15<sup>th</sup> 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.

**Church Offerings 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> January 2019**

Offertory Collection:- £607.57  
 Of which:- £252.00 was Gift Aided

### MAINTENANCE

Following recent works on the church roof and stonework, it is now going to be necessary to carry out work on the house and parts of the church where fascia boards are rotting and are a potential danger to the adjoining roof structures. These works, plus the then necessary work on the interior decoration of the church raise the inevitable question about finance. This in turn leads to discuss the value and purpose of the GIFT AID SCHEME. This scheme is open to all TAX PAYERS and means that whatever the Parishioner puts in the weekly collection will be increased by Government grant of 25% but with no further cost to the donor. This also means that Parishioners not in the scheme, but who could be, are depriving the Parish of that extra 25%. The scheme is fully explained by the leaflets on the table at the back of the church.

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 -9<sup>th</sup>. 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.

*One Sunday a minister told his congregation that the church needed some extra money and asked the people to prayerfully consider giving a little extra in the collection plate. He said that whoever gave the most would be able to pick out three hymns.*

*After the offering plates were passed the pastor glanced down and noticed that someone had placed £200 in the collection. He was so excited that he immediately shared his joy with the congregation and said he'd like to personally thank the person who had placed the money on the plate.*

*A lady sitting at the back shyly raised her hand. The vicar asked her to come to the front and told her how wonderful it was that she gave so much and in thanksgiving asked her to pick out three hymns.*

*Her eyes brightened as she looked over the congregation, pointed to the three most handsome men in the building and said, "I'll take him, him and him".*

The **Ecumenical Rosary Society** will be holding their 234<sup>th</sup> Rosary Service at 6.30pm on **Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> January** at St. Saviour's Church, Splott Road. All are welcome!

Our next Coffee Morning will be held on Tuesday next week at 10am in the hall. Come along for tea, coffee and a chat. Also prize Bingo and the January 200 club draw.

### Recently Dead

**Sue Ryan** – whose Requiem Mass was on Wednesday.

**Julia Sheila Naughton** – Requiem Mass Monday 28<sup>th</sup> January at 3.30pm

**Mary Groves** – Funeral Service Monday 4<sup>th</sup> February at 12.15pm

**John Duggan** – No details available yet.

May they rest in peace

### Holy Communion 2019

There will be 10 weekly lessons beginning with **Lesson 1** this **Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> January** from **5.30pm till 7.00pm**.

Any questions, please contact one of the Catechists.  
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