



**St. Alban's Parish Newsletter**  
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**16th February to 24th February**

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

**MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>Sat. 16th February</b> 12.00pm to 12.30pm 6.00pm Mass	<b>Votive Memorial of Our Lady</b> Confessions Tom Marshall
<b>Sun. 17th February</b> 10.00am Mass Baptism during Mass	<b>6th Sunday of Ordinary Time</b> For All Parishioners Dylan
<b>Mon. 18<sup>th</sup> February</b> 6.00pm-7.00pm 7.00pm Mass	<b>Weekday in Ordinary Time</b> Adoration in St. Joseph's Chapel For All Parishioners
<b>Tues. 19<sup>th</sup> February</b> 9.30am Mass	<b>Weekday in Ordinary Time</b> James Hollow & Catherine Britton
<b>Wed. 20<sup>th</sup> February</b> 7.00pm Mass	<b>Weekday in Ordinary Time</b> Steven Helkvist
<b>Thurs. 21st February</b>  9.30am Mass 11.00am Requiem Mass	<b>St. Peter Damian, Bishop &amp; Doctor of the Church</b> May & Francis Evans John Duggan
<b>Friday 22nd February</b> 8.30am to 9.30am 9.30am Mass 11.00am Funeral Service	<b>The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle</b> Adoration in St. Joseph's Chapel For All Parishioners Ian Hooper
<b>Sat. 23rd February</b> 12.00pm to 12.30pm 6.00pm Mass 7.00pm Parish Quiz	<b>St. Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr</b> Confessions Michael & Phyllis Walentin In the Hall, after Mass
<b>Sun. 24th February</b> 10.00am Mass	<b>7th Sunday of Ordinary Time</b> G.E. of Christopher Anthony Sheehy (90 <sup>th</sup> Birthday)

**What's on this Week**

WHAT	WHEN	WHERE
Parish Quiz Night	Sat after Mass	In the Hall
Legion of Mary	Monday, 7.30pm	In the Presbytery
Divine Mercy Group	Tuesday 12.15pm	In the Presbytery
The Bereavement Group	Tuesday 6.00pm	In the Presbytery

**Be a Disciple**

On June 15<sup>th</sup> a major meeting is to take place at Newport which is designed to examine the practical questions about our call to be Disciples of Our Lord. What does this mean? How do we become a disciple? We need to understand that this is not the work of a moment when we receive a badge and from then on we call ourselves disciples! Discipleship is usually a process, a journey on which we pass through a number of stages: 1. Do we know anyone or have we had an experience of an event or people linked with Christianity and which has created in us a sense of respect for that person or event? 2. Does that respect find in us a certain curiosity about the belief behind that event or the person's way of living? 3. Does that curiosity lead to a thought that it would be interesting to find out more; am I open enough to ask questions? 4. Does this process lead me to want to find out more about the divine Person behind it all? Do I begin to find this process leading me to seek answers to some of the questions increasingly arising regarding my own personal life and even to reassess the situation in the wider world? 5. Does this journey now lead me to want to make a commitment to the Man, Jesus of Nazareth, and to follow His ways of living – and dying? It is at this stage on our journey that we need a disciple, someone who can take us by the hand and lead us gently and step by step to discover the beauty and wonder of life in Jesus Christ. The one who has reached this point is a disciple and will want to try to share with others the Good News of life in Jesus Christ.

In a few weeks time, we hope to be able to make plans by which to prepare for the meeting on June 15<sup>th</sup> and to find out how to be disciples IN OUR PARISH!

**Anniversaries**

Catherine Plankard, Kenneth Young, Helen Wheeler, Roy Savoury, Margaret Flanagan, Albert Hooper, Bridget O'Brien, Betty Mann, Ryan O'Sullivan, Esther Withers, Terence Oak, Colin Ceshion, Sheila Gwalco, Mary Block, Wilfred Carro, Gerard Walsh, Joshua Edwards, John Horton, Elizabeth Affley, Grace Hunter, Johannah Doolan, Mary Millar.

**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 9th and 10th February 2019**

Offerory Collection:- £645.20  
 Of which:- £252.00 was Gift Aided

The **Parish Quiz Night** will be held tonight (Saturday), after the evening Mass, in the Hall.

**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.

### 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.

### THE COST OF HISTORY

We all know that St. Albans Parish and Community have had a very long history, much of which has been built and focused on the people and the life of the Church and community.

But Churches and Chapels are like people – as they grow older, they need more care and repairs to keep them in running order! But this need brings with it a financial need and with this huge need across the Archdiocese, we are being asked to consider whether, as we come to make our Will, we might consider including in that document some financial provision to help with this task of maintaining our churches which have been so much a part of our Catholic life and Faith for so many years. To explain this project and how to respond to it, we have a supply of leaflets at the back of the church for anyone who wishes to know more. Please take one and if there are any questions, please ask.

### Wales and the Marches Catholic History Society

Next meeting will be held this Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> February at 3pm, St. David's Catholic Sixth Form College. The subject is Secrets and Deaths in Abergavenny. Dr. Gill Wakely will talk about the Gunter Mansion in Abergavenny. This house played a central role in some of the most turbulent and divisive periods in British history. A Grade II listed building, it became the focal point in the Religious struggles of the late 17<sup>th</sup> Century following the Restoration of Charles II in 1660. Saints David Lewis and Philip Evans regularly said Mass in the Mansion Chapel. All are most welcome to this free talk.

*A Bishop had a bad reputation in his diocese for preaching very long and boring sermons.*

*His reputation spread rapidly because each Sunday he used to visit a different parish to preach.*

*One day he arrived at five to eleven at a small country church and was welcomed by the vicar who was looking a bit flustered. He led the bishop into the church and, to the bishop's surprise there were only three people in the congregation.*

*"Didn't you tell them I was coming?" he asked the vicar angrily.*

*"I certainly did not, Bishop," replied the vicar, "but I shall find out who did."*

The **Bereavement Group** will meet in the Presbytery on Tuesday of this week at 6.00pm.

### **200 Club Draw for January**

1 <sup>st</sup>	No.161	Phyllis Clarke	£50
2 <sup>nd</sup>	No.1	Jenny Jones	£25
3 <sup>rd</sup>	No.11	T&E Vidler	£15

### Recently Dead

**John Duggan** – Whose Requiem Mass is Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> February at 11.00am. Burial at Thornhill at 12.30pm

**Ian Hooper** – Whose Funeral Service is on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February at 11.00am.

May they rest in peace

### Catholic Drinks –

Sunday February 24<sup>th</sup>, from 7.30pm onwards, at the Duke of Wellington on the Hayes. Catholic Young Adults across Cardiff are invited to come together every last Sunday of the month, to meet friends old and new and relax before Monday morning.

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