



St. Alban's Parish Newsletter
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9th March to 17th March

First Week of Lent

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat. 9th March 12.00pm to 12.30pm 6.00pm Mass	St. Francis of Rome, Religious Confessions For All Parishioners
Sun. 10th March 10.00am Children's Mass 12.30pm Baptism	1st Sunday of Lent Theresa Molcher Harris
Mon. 11th March 6.00pm-7.00pm 7.00pm Mass	Weekday, 1st Week of Lent Adoration in St. Joseph's Chapel For All Parishioners
Tues. 12th March 9.30am Mass	Weekday, 1st Week of Lent For All Parishioners
Wed. 13th March 12.30pm Funeral Service 7.00pm Mass	Weekday, 1st Week of Lent Valerie Ann Pesticcio For All Parishioners
Thurs. 14th March 9.30am Mass	Weekday, 1st Week of Lent For All Parishioners
Friday 15th March 8.30am to 9.30am 9.30am Mass 7.00pm	Weekday, 1st Week of Lent Adoration in St. Joseph's Chapel Pattie Wheeler Stations of the Cross
Sat. 16th March 12.00pm to 12.30pm 6.00pm Mass	Weekday, 1st Week of Lent Confessions Pauline, Kathleen & Brian Davidson
Sun. 17th March 10.00am Mass	2nd Sunday of Lent For the Marshall Family

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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
Stations of the Cross	Friday 7.00pm	In the Church

LOVE v HATRED; HOLINESS v EVIL; JESUS v SATAN

As we read this Gospel we are amazed that Jesus, though without sin, in His humanity experienced so many of the conflicts which we recognise in our own lives: the consuming desire for food in the hungry, the quest for power and the seeking of self-satisfaction. In His response to these so-human desires, Jesus teaches us that our response must be like His: 'Get thee behind me, Satan'.

In the day-to-day conflicts which will arise as long as we try to live according to His way, we have within us the power of His grace by which He assures us that He is there with us, understanding our frail humanity but also reminding us that 'I am with you always' and pleading with us 'Come back to me with all your heart.'

But if we fail Him in that moment of conflict, He has given us the means by which to have all our failures blotted out and giving us the chance of a fresh start, a new beginning through the wonderful Sacrament of Reconciliation or Confession.

As we begin Lent can we make this resolution: to come, often, to seek His mercy and understanding love in this Sacrament. If we have not done so for a long time remember how He welcomed repentant sinners: "I do not condemn you, go in peace and sin now no more."

Anniversaries

Joan Noble, Kevin Trevett, John Harrington, Dorothy Ledsam, Pauline O'Sullivan, Charles Caruana, Ricky Ormonde, Lawrence Steer, Helena Hurley, Bernadette Samuel, Stan Harding, Thomas Ryan, Maria Babbage, Pattie Wheeler, Anthony Tenetta, Ida Battisto, Eugene McCarthy, Nellie French, Veronica Todd, Kathleen Barrett, Kenneth Bird, John Hoy.

Our Sick

Ethan Chichester, Christian Babu, Pat Xuereb, Colin, Shirley & Michael Kingston, Audrey Bodenham, 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'Donaghue, Julie Cale, Phyllis Clarke, Betty Millar, Fr. Anthony Furlong, John Reynolds.

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

YOUTH 2000, WALSINGHAM, MARCH 2019

A coach has been booked to take a group from the Archdiocese to this wonderful Youth event in March. For more information and to book a place on the coach contact Christian Mahoney on 07764515864.

SHARE THE FAITH

On Wednesday of this week we will 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 2nd and 3rd March 2019

Offertory Collection:- £556.53
 Of which:- £240.55 was Gift Aided

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.

CAFOD

The annual Family Fast appeal will be held on Friday of this week, March 15th and the retiring collection at Masses next weekend will be for that cause.

Note that the **Stations of the Cross** will be prayed every Friday in Lent at 7.00pm.

LENTEN TALKS

Lenten Talks will be held at the Cornerstone in Charles Street, each Friday of Lent up to 12th April. All talks will start at 1.30pm, and a soup lunch with a roll will be available. [Donations welcome]

Mass in honour of St. Patrick at 6.30pm in St. David's Cathedral, with a **St. Patrick's Dinner** at the Cornerstone at 7.30pm. Entertainment by "Hairpin Bend". Tickets are £25, contact margaret.hazel@rcadc.org, or <https://rcadc.org/event/celebrate-st-patricks-day/>

New Venue

Adoration for our families on the second Monday of the month 1.30pm – 2.30pm. There are always some kind of problems in families to pray about so I invite you to join us in St. Teilo's Church, Old Church Road, Whitchurch CF14 1AD on Monday 11th March 2019 from 1.30pm – 2.30pm followed by time to chat over a cuppa in the pub next door.

After Mass on Sunday, the Priest found Murphy lying in the road.

*'What's happened to you?' says the Priest.
'Well these fellows attacked me and beat me to the ground with a sack of potatoes'.*

'Would you recognise them if you saw them again?'

'Yes Father, I would, they were King Edwards'.

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January 200 Club Draw

1 st	No.142	M. Reece	£50.00
2 nd	No. 79	A. Bodenham	£25.00
3 rd	No. 11	T & E Vidler	£15.00

Recently Dead

Valerie Ann Pesticcio, whose Funeral Service will be at 12.30pm Wednesday 13th March

also

Stewart Phillips, whose Funeral Service will be at 10.15am Friday 22nd March

May they rest in peace

A ONE-DAY RETREAT FOR LENT

has been arranged at St. David's Sixth Form College on Saturday, April 6th, 10.30am until 3.00pm. The theme of the day is "How do we listen to the Word of God?" There is no fee and lunch will be provided, but in order that full arrangements can be made in good time, if you wish to attend, please contact Christian Mahoney on 07764515864.

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