



St. Alban's Parish Newsletter
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22nd April to 30th April

2nd Week of Eastertide

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat. 22nd April 12.00 to 12.30pm 6.00pm Mass	Saturday of the Octave of Easter Confessions Babs Capaross
Sun. 23rd April 10.00am Mass 4.00 pm Mass	2nd Sunday of Eastertide (Divine Mercy Sunday) Graham Ward Divine Mercy
Mon. 24th April 6.00pm – 7.00pm 7.00 pm Mass	Weekday , 2nd Week of Eastertide Adoration in the Chapel Sheila & Tommy Downey
Tues. 25th April 9.30am Mass	St. Mark, Evangelist (Priest) Jeremy Butler
Wed. 26th April 7.30pm Mass	Weekday , 2nd Week of Eastertide Julie Edwards
Thurs. 27th April 9.30am Mass	Weekday , 2nd Week of Eastertide Fr. Barry
Friday 28th April 8.30 am to 9.30am 9.30 am Mass	St. Peter Chanel (Priest & Martyr) Adoration in the St. Joseph's Chapel Louis Escorsio
Sat. 29th April 12.00 to 12.30pm 6.00pm Mass	St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church Confessions Catherine Nugent
Sun. 30th April 10.00am Mass	3rd Sunday of Eastertide Dennis Jones

What's on this Week

WHAT	WHEN	WHERE
Legion of Mary	Monday 7.30pm	Presbytery
Union of Catholic Mothers	Monday 7.30pm	Presbytery
Bereavement Group	Tuesday 6pm	Presbytery
Divine Mercy Group	Tuesday 7.30pm	Presbytery

MERCY: For the Church to proclaim and celebrate God's mercy is nothing new. Repeatedly during His ministry, Jesus showed His wonderful and reassuring willingness to forgive the repentant sinner, no matter how serious their sins might be – the adulteress, the woman of Samaria, the repentant thief, Zaccheus, Simon Peter – each one released into the loving embrace of God. “ Come back to Me with all your heart.” Throughout its history, the Church has stressed the importance and wonder of God's mercy, especially in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. In our own times, the gift of mercy has been emphasised in the celebration on the first Sunday after Easter of Mercy Sunday. This celebration is being hosted here at St. Alban's this Sunday with Confessions from 2.00pm until Mass at 4.00pm and then Devotions after Mass.

This celebration is open to ALL.

Our Sick

Ethan Chichester, Lesley Barnett, Bernard Toft, Maria Jones, Colin Kingston, Gareth & Ethan Woodberry, Bob Molcher, Christian Babu, Val Kenealy, Kath Helkvist, Pat Xuereb, David Burns, Jacob Meighan, Julie Cale, Henry Burns, Tina Price, David Bateman, Anna Sueref, Pat Kiiver, John Cowhey, Jack O'Leary, Mike McCauliffe, Tom and Sheila Downey, Chloe Price, Jean Alderman, Daniel Young, Shelagh O'Donoghue, Fr. John Bland IC, Barbara Murphy.

Anniversaries

Doreen Hardy, Stanislaw Ladyko, Angela Hairon, James Brown, Shirley Grealis, Eileen Bowen, Michael Harrington, Mostyn O'Brien, David Thomas, Carl Dumford, John Mullane, Bridget O'Shea, Carl Parsons, Maureen O'Donovan, John Redmond, John Herbert, Edna Regan, James Shanahan, Leonard Webber, James Gallivan, Donna O'Connor.

The Jesus Youth group invites us all to a period of adoration of the Blessed Sacrament here at St. Albans next Monday, April 24th from 4.00pm until Mass starts at 7.00pm. This Youth Group is an international movement now active in over 30 countries, with the prime aim of inviting young people to a personal encounter with Jesus, so as to live their lives in freedom and joy. If any Parishioner is willing to commit to a particular period of time please sign up on the sheets at the back of the church. Thank you.

Please remember in your prayers the 23 children who will receive the gift of **Holy Communion** for the first time at the Parish Masses on the weekends of May 6-7th and May 13-14th. Also remember the celebration of the Confirmation of 8 young people on Friday May 19th.

Church Offerings, 15th and 16th April 2017

Easter Offerings (Rosminians)	£1220.05
Good Friday Collection (Holy Places)	£366.92

COMING DATES TO NOTE

All Masses on weekends of May 7th and May 14th will be the First Holy Communion Masses
CONFIRMATIONS will be on Friday, May 19th at 7.00pm
PENTECOST June 3rd/4th

FATIMA: With the centenary of Our Lady's apparitions at Fatima in 1917 due to fall on May 13th, we emphasise the importance and value of the following events in Cardiff: Saturday and Sunday May 6th and 7th, at St. David's Cathedral, Charles Street, the enthronement of the Pilgrimage statue of Our Lady of Fatima and the veneration of the relics of Blessed Jacinta and Francisco. Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Stack and devotions based on the Fatima revelations will take place. For details of times phone 20231407 or email cardiff.met.cath@btinternet.com

LIFE-SUPPORT: Two of the major Pro-Life support groups in the country have united in a campaign to urge the Government to withdraw from the Marie Stopes International Abortion service their licence to perform abortions. This is because a recent commission of enquiry found in the MSI practice serious violations of the required care levels which, in turn, created serious life risk for the women concerned. A summary of this campaign and its reasons can be found at the back of the church together with petition forms to be filled in.

DISCERNING THE FUTURE

Two weekend seminars are to take place this year to help young men to discern whether God might be calling them to the Priesthood or to Religious Life.

The first is at the Rosminian Prayer Centre at Ratcliffe in Leicestershire on May 5-7 (further details are available from Fr. Binu on 01509 813078).

The second Seminar is at St. Beuno's in North Wales on September 15 – 17th and details are available from the Cardiff Archdiocesan Director of Vocations, Fr. Paul Millar on 02920 778631.

PRO-LIFE WITNESS

On Saturday, April 29th the annual Pro-life chain of witness in support of the sanctity of life will take place on Manor Way, (near Whitchurch High School) from 11.00am until 1.00pm and we ask as many as possible to give some time to make this silent witness to the gift of life.

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 name is on the bottom of the box.

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CELEBRATE: This a fantastic opportunity for the whole family to get together for a celebration of faith with others who share our insights and our values. This is being held next week, April 29th (9.00am – 9.00pm) to April 30th (9.00am to 4.00pm) at St. David's Sixth Form College. Programme includes children's items, worship, drama, discussion. For more information go on-line to: www.celebrateconference.org/wales

Calling all Taxpayers

Over the past few years there has been a reduction in the membership of the St. Alban's Gift Aid Scheme.

The main reasons for this are that quite a few Parishioners have moved to other Parishes, others have become no-tax payers, and unfortunately several scheme members have died.

We have made appeals for new recruits through the newsletter during the last few weeks but so far only two have come forward to join the Scheme. We could do with at least a dozen new members to make the shortfall of income from the Gift Aid tax refunds.

Therefore we are asking again for all Parishioners who are tax payers to seriously consider paying their offerings through the Gift Aid Scheme. All Gift Aid offerings are topped up by 25% courtesy of the Taxman

AT NO EXTRA COST TO YOU!

All you need to do is to sign a simple declaration form stating you are a taxpayer and we will do the rest – the forms are available at the back of the Church.

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