



**St. Alban's Parish Newsletter**  
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**29th April to 7<sup>th</sup> May**

**3rd Week of Eastertide**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>Sat. 29th April</b> 12.00 to 12.30pm 6.00pm Mass	<b>St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church</b> Confessions Catherine Nugent & Jane Francisca D'Cruz
<b>Sun. 30th April</b> 10.00am Mass	<b>3rd Sunday of Eastertide</b> Dennis Jones
<b>Mon. 1<sup>st</sup> May</b> 9.00 am – 10.00 am 10.00 am Mass	<b>St. Joseph the worker</b> Adoration in the Chapel Joe Carpanini
<b>Tues. 2<sup>nd</sup> May</b> 9.30am Mass	<b>St. Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church</b> Michael Downey
<b>Wed. 3<sup>rd</sup> May</b> 7.00pm Mass	<b>Sts. Philip and James, Apostles</b> Simpson Family Intention
<b>Thurs. 4<sup>th</sup> May</b> 9.30am Mass	<b>Weekday 3<sup>rd</sup> Week of Eastertide</b> Jean Davies
<b>Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May</b> 8.30 am to 9.30am 9.30 am Mass	<b>Weekday 3<sup>rd</sup> Week of Eastertide</b> Adoration in the St. Joseph's Chapel Mary O'Sullivan
<b>Sat. 6<sup>th</sup> May</b> 12.00 to 12.30pm 6.00pm Mass	<b>Weekday 3<sup>rd</sup> Week of Eastertide</b> Confessions Terry O'Brien
<b>Sun. 7<sup>th</sup> May</b> 10.00am Mass 6.30 pm Service	<b>4th Sunday of Eastertide</b> Joan & Ron Alderman Adoration, Prayers and Benediction

**What's on this Week**

WHAT	WHEN	WHERE
Legion of Mary	Monday 7.30pm	Presbytery
Union of Catholic Mothers	Monday 7.30pm	Presbytery
Divine Mercy Group	Tuesday 7.30pm	Presbytery
Unravelling the Gospels	Wednesday (After Mass)	St. Joseph's Chapel
Service Next Week	Sunday 6.30pm	Church

**“...AND THEY RECOGNISED HIM”.**

Following the Resurrection, the Gospels tell us of more than one occasion when the Risen Christ was not instantly recognised by those who saw Him: Mary of Magdala at the tomb mistook Him for the gardener until He said her name; the Apostles returning from a nights fishing did not recognise Him until He directed them to cast their nets in a different place; the two disciples on the road to Emmaus did not recognise the Man who walked with them until, as He shared a meal and broke the bread, He revealed His true identity. For us, this last example is of supreme importance and value. It was at the breaking of bread that they recognised the Risen Christ. For us, who are likely to see and receive the broken bread at Mass, this revelation is deeply significant and inspiring. He is saying: “Remember that when you see and eat the Bread broken at the Altar, I am revealing to you My divine Presence in a way that is the most powerful of all. Will you recognise Me and will you remember that, as for the two disciples at Emmaus, I walk with you at every step of your life's journey.”

**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, Tracey Price.

**Anniversaries**

John Herbert, Edna Regan, James Shanahan, Leonard Webber, James Gallivan, Donna O'Connor, Henry Green, Edward Partridge, Molly Harris, Freda Smith, Anne Bateman, John Moriarty, Marjorie Stevens, Vincenzo Scotto-D'Abusco, Paul Barry, John Harkett, Kathleen O'Neill, Maureen Scott, Peter Driscoll, Paul O'Leary, Margaret Sheehan, Paul Paterson, Margaret Williams.

**COMING DATES TO NOTE**

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

Please remember that next weekend (May 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>) we shall celebrate at both Masses the **First Holy Communion** of some of our children. (This will be repeated on the following weekend of May 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>). We hope that these celebrations will be the beginning of a life-long relationship with Jesus in Holy Communion and that children and parents will derive from these celebrations a deepening realisation of the supreme importance of this Sacrament in our daily lives as Catholics.

*Please remember these children in your prayers.*

**Church Offerings, 22nd and 23rd April 2017**

Offeratory Collection	£694.51
of which £281.00 was Gift Aided	
Additional Easter Offerings (Rosminians)	£20.00

**FATIMA:** With the centenary of Our Lady's apparitions at Fatima in 1917 due to fall on May 13<sup>th</sup>, we emphasise the importance and value of the following events in Cardiff: Saturday and Sunday May 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>, 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](mailto: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 – 17<sup>th</sup> and details are available from the Cardiff Archdiocesan Director of Vocations, Fr. Paul Millar on 02920 778631.

#### **UNRAVELLING THE GOSPELS**

Beginning next Wednesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, and ending on Wednesday June 14<sup>th</sup>, we shall hold a series of weekly meetings designed to penetrate and understand a little more the real meaning of the following Sundays Gospel and in so doing to understand more deeply the person of Jesus. These brief meetings will be held in St. Joseph's Chapel immediately after the evening Mass. All are welcome.

#### **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.

#### **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 non-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 three have come forward to join the Scheme. We could do with at least a dozen new members to make up 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.

**Lately Dead** – Please remember in your Prayers;

Michael Thomas and Rita Eley.

**Michael's** Requiem is at 12.30pm on Wednesday May 10<sup>th</sup>.

**Rita's** Requiem is at 12.30pm on Thursday May 11<sup>th</sup>.

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