



**St. Alban's Parish Newsletter**  
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**5<sup>th</sup> May to 13<sup>th</sup> May**

**Sixth Week of Easter**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**What's on this Week**

<b>Sat. 5<sup>th</sup> May</b> 12.00pm to 12.30pm 6.00pm Mass	<b>Weekday, Fifth Week of Easter</b> Confessions Terry O'Brien
<b>Sun. 6<sup>th</sup> May</b> 10.00am Mass	<b>6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Eastertide</b> Mary O'Sullivan
<b>Mon. 7<sup>th</sup> May</b> 10.00 am Mass	<b>Weekday, 6<sup>th</sup> week of Easter</b> Con Driscoll
<b>Tues. 8<sup>th</sup> May</b> 9.30am Mass	<b>Weekday, 6<sup>th</sup> week of Easter</b> Pauline & Gerard Walsh
<b>Wed. 9<sup>th</sup> May</b> 7.00pm Mass	<b>Vigil, Ascension of the Lord</b> Powell Family Intention
<b>Thurs. 10<sup>th</sup> May</b> 9.30am Mass,	<b>The Ascension of the Lord</b> Bernadette Samuel
<b>Friday 11<sup>th</sup> May</b> 8.30am to 9.30am 9.30am Mass  11.00am Funeral Service	<b>Weekday, 6<sup>th</sup> week of Easter</b> Adoration in St. Joseph's Chapel Fernando Family thanksgiving, also David Callaghan Brian Ashmore
<b>Sat. 12<sup>th</sup> May</b> 12.00pm to 12.30pm 6.00pm Mass	<b>Weekday, 6<sup>th</sup> week of Easter</b> Confessions Private Intention
<b>Sun. 13<sup>th</sup> May</b> 10.00am Mass	<b>7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter</b> Kevin Bush

WHAT	WHEN	WHERE
Legion of Mary	Monday 7.30pm	In the Presbytery
Union of Catholic Mothers	Monday 7.30pm	In the Presbytery
Divine Mercy Group	Tuesday 7.00pm	In the Presbytery
Our Faith, step by step	Wednesday after Mass	St. Joseph's Chapel

**SEND FOR SIMON PETER**  
 Following the spectacular conversion of Paul on the road to Damascus, the account focuses on the great Simon Peter, the Rock whom Jesus chose to be the leader of His infant Church. Peter would have to learn to see some aspects of his Jewish way of life in a very different way from what he had been used to. Like most Jews, Peter thought that God was only interested in bringing the Good News to Jews but not to the Gentile people around them. One instrument used by God to bring about this change was a man called Cornelius. Cornelius was a centurion who lived a very good life, a man constantly turning to God in prayer and doing many good things to help those in need. Cornelius heard that a man from Capernaum was teaching a new way as taught by Jesus of Nazareth and was telling people how to live their lives to find peace and happiness. Cornelius felt that his life was missing something important and valuable. At that very moment, God inspired Peter to respond to an invitation from Cornelius to go and visit him and to speak with him about the way of Jesus. Inspired by the Spirit of God Peter told Cornelius and his family all that he had learned from Jesus. Cornelius realised that this was the way to peace and happiness. Peter's heart was open to realise that God could bestow His Spirit on anyone who was open to receive that gift. Cornelius knew that from that moment on, his life would be transformed

**Our Sick** Ethan Chichester, Lesley Barnett, Maria Jones, Colin Kingston, Gareth & Ethan Woodberry, Christian Babu, Pat Xuereb, David Burns, Jacob Meighan, Julie Cale, Henry Burns, Tina, Tracey & Chloe Price, Pat Kiiver, John Cowhey, Jack O'Leary, Mike McAuliffe, Sheila Downey, Daniel Young, Shelagh O'Donoghue, Barbara Murphy, David Jones, Paul Burns, Barbara Hurley, Patrick O'Rourke, Audrey Bodenham, Tom Marshall, John Busutti, Paul O'Brien, Don James.

**Anniversaries**  
 John Harkett, Kathleen O'Niell, Maureen Scott, Peter Driscoll, Paul O'Leary, Beryl O'Flynn, Margaret Sheehan, Paul Paterson, Margaret Williams, Michael Salter, Ellen Green, Angela Ramos, Beryl Isaac, Norman Bradley, James Davies, Helen Coles, Veronica Slade, Eva Cummins, Sydney Richards, Malcolm Donaldson, James Kelleher.

**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

**SPUC**  
 The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children will be presenting "We Care about Women" as part of their 2018 Campaign Tour of Great Britain on Sunday May 13<sup>th</sup> at Newman Hall, Cardiff Oratory, Colum Road, (back entrance of Nazareth House) from 7.00pm until 9.00pm. Mothers and their unborn babies are under even more serious threat by attempts to decriminalise abortion and to make it illegal for groups to pray peacefully outside abortion clinics. Petition forms are available at the back of the church to petition the Prime Minister to avoid the decriminalisation of abortion

On the Feast of **Corpus Christi**, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, we shall not only celebrate the **first Holy Communion**s for our children but will also hold a special service of thanksgiving for the whole Parish at 6.30 that evening.

Another major event is that of **Pentecost** on Sunday May 20<sup>th</sup> when we hope to celebrate the **Mass of Pentecost** in a special way to include Parishioners who have come from many different parts of the world and who will thereby demonstrate the truth that Jesus sent the Church to preach the Good News of the Gospel to **ALL NATIONS**.  
 Anyone who was born in another country and who wishes to take part in this special way, please have a word with Fr. Philip as soon as possible.

**200 Club Winners, April Draw**

1 <sup>st</sup>	No. 188 V. Jeffries	£50.00
2 <sup>nd</sup>	No. 183 P. Botto	£25.00
3 <sup>rd</sup>	No. 145 M. O'Leary	£15.00

## SOME SPECIAL EVENTS AND FEASTS

Please note that we shall celebrate the **Feast of the Ascension** Thursday, May 10<sup>th</sup> with Mass as usual at 9.30am, in the Church there will also be a **Vigil Mass on the Wednesday** evening May 9<sup>th</sup> at 7.00pm.  
On Sunday May 20<sup>th</sup> at 10.00am we shall celebrate the **Sacrament of Confirmation** for eight of our young people.  
On Wednesday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7.00pm we shall celebrate the **Sacrament of the Sick** in the church for those Parishioners who are able to be there.  
On Sunday June 3<sup>rd</sup> which is the **Feast of Corpus Christi**, we shall celebrate the First Holy Communion for our children at the 10.00am Mass.  
Also at both the weekend Masses the Parish **Ministers of the Eucharist** will renew their commitment to their wonderful Ministry of the Eucharist.

### Lately dead

Please remember in your prayers:-

**Brian Ashmore**, whose Funeral Service was on Friday

Also

**Anna Sueref**, whose Funeral Service will be at 10.30am on Monday May 14th

May they Rest in Peace

### Parish Magazine

One of the topics discussed at the Parish Advisory Committee meeting held recently was the possibility of publishing a Quarterly Parish Magazine to report on and promote the various activities which occur within our Parish Community and the surrounding area.

For this to become a reality means that we need people with the necessary expertise to put it together.

If you think that this is something that interests you and you feel you could contribute something to this initiative please contact Fr. Philip.

We have one parishioner who expressed an interest in the venture. Anyone else?

*Dave, the South Walian undertaker was asked to drive up to the north of Scotland to collect the body of a Welshman who had always stipulated that he wanted to be buried in his birthplace in Gwent.*

*Realising it was going to be a long journey, he enlisted the help of his friend Charlie to share the driving.*

*Charlie drove up the motorway, and, once they started driving through towns Dave took over.*

*Charlie started yawning and Dave suggested he have a kip.*

*Charlie was a big man and found it difficult to curl up in the front seat and get comfortable. Dave pulled into a lay-by and told Charlie to get in the back of the hearse and have a sleep in the empty coffin. Charlie took his friend's advice and was soon fast asleep.*

*While Dave was driving through Perth, Charlie sat up in the coffin. He rubbed his eyes, stretched and yawned. A woman driving behind the hearse mounted the kerb and crashed through the front window of a shop. The trip turned out to be extremely expensive as Dave had to foot the bill for a new shop window and extensive repairs to the lady's car*

### Church Offerings 28th & 29th April

Offeritory Collection:-	£714.36
Of which	£291.50 was Gift Aided
Vocations to the Priesthood	£54.00 (£256.53 total)

## CALLING ALL TAXPAYERS

***It's never too late to join the Gift Aid Scheme.***

The new tax year started on April 6<sup>th</sup>, and all parishioners who are taxpayers are encouraged to seriously consider paying their offerings through the Gift Aid Scheme. All Gift Aid offerings are topped up by 25% courtesy of the Tax Man **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.

The numbers in the scheme are dropping, due to mainly older parishioners passing away.

Despite our appeals we did not have a single parishioner join the scheme for the current tax year.

**We are always ready to accept volunteers** to help with the many tasks which have to be carried out each week in various parts of the Parish life and work. If anybody is interested, please have a word with Fr. Philip. We would like also to increase the membership of the Parish Council so, to find out what that means and its commitment, please see Fr. Philip.

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