



St. Alban's Parish Newsletter
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4th May to 12th May 2019

Fourth Week of Eastertide

MASS INTENTIONS

What's on this Week

Sat. 11th May 12.00pm to 12.30pm 6.00pm Mass	Weekday Third Week of Eastertide Sacrament of Reconciliation Assunta & Mike Camilleri
Sun. 12th May 10.00am Mass	Fourth Sunday of Eastertide Tom Marshall
Mon. 13th May 6.00pm to 7.00pm 7.00pm Mass	Our Lady of Fatima Adoration in St. Joseph's Chapel For All Parishioners
Tues. 14th May 9.30am Mass	St. Matthias, Apostle Thanksgiving, Diamond Jubilee, Sr. Anne Magdalin
Wed. 15th May 7.00pm Mass	Weekday Fourth Week of Eastertide Fr. Terry Watson RIP
Thurs. 16th May 9.30am Mass	Weekday Fourth Week of Eastertide For all Parishioners
Friday 17th May 8.30am to 9.30am 9.30am Mass	Weekday Fourth Week of Eastertide Adoration in St. Joseph's Chapel For all Parishioners
Sat. 18th May 12.00pm to 12.30pm 6.00pm Mass	Weekday Fourth Week of Eastertide Sacrament of Reconciliation Win Page
Sun. 19th May 10.00am Mass	Fifth Sunday of Eastertide Pauline & Gerard Walsh, also Helen Dummett

WHAT	WHEN	WHERE
First Holy Communions	Sunday	In the Church
Legion of Mary	Monday, 7.30pm	In the Presbytery
Divine Mercy Group	Tuesday 12.15pm	In the Presbytery

MAKING NEW DISCIPLES – 2019

This title refers to the final day of a conference arranged for Saturday, June 15th in Newport at which the renowned writer from America, Sherry Weddell, will guide us as we discuss and draw up plans by which to take into the next few years our response to this fundamental aspect of the Church's mission arising from Jesus's last instructions to His disciples: "Go, and teach all the nations..." For details of this event and parishioners attendance at it please contact Frank Callus on 07956005459. Beginning on Tuesday a group from each of the three Rosminian Parishes will meet each week at St. Peter's from 7.00pm to discuss the content of Sherry's book and apply it to the situation and needs of our own Parishes.

THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Appropriately, this Sunday is known as Good Shepherd Sunday (from the Gospel of the day) but also because it is the universal day of prayer for vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life. We are becoming increasingly aware of the consequences of the lack of Priests to fulfil the mission of the Church in so many Parishes. Also, so many of the finest works of prayer and charity in the recent history of the Church are fast disappearing due to the lack of Religious to maintain them. Yet Jesus, foreseeing this reality, urged us all to make daily prayer pleading with God to send labourers into HIS harvest. But do we? Can we? Will we?

THE MIRACLE OF PENTECOST (JUNE 9TH)

When we celebrate this wonderful revelation of the power and presence of the Holy Spirit in the Church, we hope and intend to follow the Mass of that morning to share some refreshments in the hall, bringing together as many Parishioners as possible and especially to invite those who have come from other countries but who now share in the life of our Parish. Details of this event will be confirmed over the next few weeks.

CELEBRATE

This Sunday, May 12th, at the 10.00am Mass we shall celebrate the First Holy Communion for our children, While this is clearly a day of celebration for the children and their parents and families, it is also a time of thanks for the whole Parish Community. It is also right that we thank our two catechists and their young helpers who give so much of their time and care to prepare our children for this all-important moment on their life's journey to God.

Anniversaries Veronica Slade, Sydney Richards, Malcom Donaldson, James Kelleher, Renee O'Sullivan, Anthony Gould, Mavis McMahon, Edward Sheilds, Margaret O'Connor, Mary Price, Leslie Powell, Margaret Partridge, Carol Churcher, Florence Williams, William Carey, James Huntley, Malcolm & Christopher Lewis & Esther Spillane..

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, Shelagh O'Donaghue, Julie Cale, Phyllis Clarke, Betty Millar, Fr. Anthony Furlong, Jennifer King.
To add to this Sick List please leave names in the Sacristy, or at back of Church.

Last weeks 1p and 2p appeal raised no less than £50.00 in total (including just a few 5p's!) Fantastic and many thanks to all who contributed. Now we look forward to the used postage stamps coming in for Fathers Day on June 16th!!

Church Offerings 4th and 5th May 2019

Offertory Collection:- £607.80
Of which:- £255.50 was gift-aided

Please pray especially for all the staff and children at our Primary School which is subject this week to an official inspection. We look forward to a good result.

THIS WEEK: Today (Sunday) Fr. Michael will begin his annual Retreat at Crewe together with other Rosminian Fathers from Cardiff and the U.K., returning on Friday evening. Please remember them in your prayers, especially as this coincides with the Universal day of prayer for vocations to the Priesthood and the Religious Life.

Note also that the times of Masses here at St. Albans during this week will be the same as usual.

FIRST COMMUNION

After a long period of preparation for our children, this awesome celebration will mark the day when, for the first time, they will come to receive the Body and Blood of Jesus in Holy Communion. It is a time for great thanksgiving and celebration not only for the children but also for their parents and families. Let us also give thanks to the catechists and their helpers for their great commitment and care given to this time of preparation. We could ALL use this great day to examine how we come to receive this Sacrament and what it means in our daily lives.

GIFT AID ENVELOPES FOR TAX YEAR 2019/2020

Existing Members of the St. Alban's Gift Aid Scheme can collect their new pack of envelopes from the Church porch at weekend Masses over the next couple of weeks. The new envelopes will come into use on the weekend April 6th & 7th 2019.

ALL children are welcome to the **Children's Liturgy** in the Hall each Sunday from 9.45am.

The **SVP** are requesting donations of children's clothes and toys which can be left in the Presbytery. Thank you in anticipation.

200 Club Winners, April 2019 Draw

1 st Prize	No 151	B. Thomas	£50
2 nd Prize	No. 18	Mavis Oliver	£25
3 rd Prize	No. 142	M. Reece	£15

HELP NEEDED

With the passing of the Lenten and Easter celebrations it is now more clear that we need more volunteer helpers in the following areas of Parish life: Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Servers, church cleaners, help with clerical updates. To find out what these involve and how to go about it, please see Fr. Philip.

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Please pray for

Dorothy O'Callaghan whose Requiem Mass was on Friday

Also

Michael John Buckley whose Funeral Service was held at the Wenallt Chapel at Thornhill Crematorium on Thursday

Recently Dead

Ruklamthi Fernando, in Sri Lanka, sister of Amila

May they rest in peace

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.

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