



St. Alban's Parish Newsletter
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28th July to 5th August

Seventeenth Week in Ordinary Time

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat. 28th July 12.00pm to 12.30pm 6.00pm Mass	Votive Memorial of Our Lady Confessions Joe & Alice Edwards
Sun. 29th July Mass 10.00am	17th Sunday in Ordinary Time Bob & Pat Edwards
Mon. 30th July 6.00pm to 7.00pm 7.00pm Mass	St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop & Doctor of the Church Adoration in St. Joseph's Chapel Tom Savoury
Tues. 31st July 9.30am Mass 12.00pm Funeral Service	St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest Richie Hiles Clifford Baralos
Wed. 1st August 7.00pm Mass	St. Alphonsus Mary Liguory, Bishop & Doctor of the Church O'Brien Family Intention
Thurs. 2nd August 9.30am Mass,	Weekday in Ordinary Time For All Parishioners
Friday 3rd August 8.30am to 9.30am 9.30am Mass	Weekday in Ordinary Time Adoration in St. Joseph's Chapel Jean Davies
Sat. 4th August 12.00pm to 12.30pm 6.00pm Mass	St. John Mary Vianney, Priest Confessions Richie Hiles
Sun. 5th August 10.00am Mass 6.30pm Service	18th Sunday in Ordinary Time Anna Pritchard Prayers, Readings & Benediction

What's on this Week

WHAT	WHEN	WHERE
Legion of Mary	Monday 7.30pm	In the Presbytery
Union of Catholic Mothers	Monday 7.30pm	In the Presbytery
Coffee Morning	Tuesday 7th Aug.	In the Hall
Divine Mercy Group	Tuesday 7.00pm	In the Presbytery
SVP Group	Wed. 6.00pm	In the Presbytery
Our Faith, step by step	No Meeting this week	Will resume in Sept

A MIRACLE

With the approaching feast of Passover the number of people on the roads was increasing each day. Also, news was spreading about the powers of Jesus and the wonderful things He was doing, like healing the sick, restoring the suffering ones and even raising the dead. Seeing the large crowds gathering before Him, Jesus foresaw the urgent need to provide food for so many. Andrew told Him that a small boy had just a few loaves of bread and two fish but that was totally inadequate for the needs of so many people. Jesus took the loaves and fish into His hands, blessed them, and gave them out to the waiting crowds until all were filled. Some of the people were overcome by what had happened but some started asking whether this meant that the man from Nazareth was in fact the long-awaited Messiah. Jesus was aware that for many Jews the Messiah would come as an all-conquering king who would drive out the hated Romans and restore Israel to its rightful place among the nations. To avoid this misunderstanding of the Messiah's mission and wishing to avoid the crowds demand that he became King, Jesus went up into the hills by Himself. Later, the time would come when He would be greeted as the Son of the great King David and then taken to the hill of Calvary, there to fulfil His mission as Redeemer and Saviour.

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 & Dorothy James, Mary Williams, Baby Irene, Veronica, Gareth Chard, John Furlong.

Anniversaries

Ellie Ring, David Williams, Minnie Griffiths, Margaret Vincent, Peter Francis, Denis Driscoll, Daniel Casey, Margaret Fenton, Kathleen King, Christine Clerkin, May Russ, Dennis Leitch, Mary Boyle, Alex Evans, Margaret Boston, Ivor Griffiths, Maria Garland, Peter Fletcher, Francis Kelly, Terence McGrath, .

WORKS PROGRESS - GOOD NEWS

We are very pleased to be able to write that our Parish has recently received a bequest from a former parishioner's will and this bequest will enable us to pay the cost of the current work on the church tower and stonework. Naturally, this has come as a great relief, but it also reminds us that once the present work is complete we will then have to look to other maintenance works within the church and also to the guttering to the church and Presbytery.

World Families Meeting: Dublin, August 21st-26th

The attention of the Catholic world is focused on this international meeting of families in August. As Pope Francis has shown how important he sees this meeting to be by attending the final Mass on August 26th, we feel it is right that we should unite ourselves and all our families with that meeting by a special celebration here in our parish. Details of this Parish celebration will be published in the next few weeks and we hope that our union with the gathering in Dublin will be well-supported by all our Parish families.

Church Offerings 21st and 22nd July

Offertory Collection:- £ 610.61
 Of which £ 251.5 was gift aided

The **SVP Group** will meet in the Presbytery at 6.00pm on Wednesday of this week

EUCCHARISTIC CONGRESS AT LIVERPOOL

We now have five Parishioners who are going to attend the Congress on September 8th. Discussions are under way as to how we might mark this very special occasion here in the Parish, with the possibility of an extended period of adoration throughout the day leading up to Benediction prior to the evening Mass at 6.00pm. Whatever is decided, we will need the commitment of those who would be here before the Blessed Sacrament at listed times during the day and this would also unite us with all that is happening at Liverpool.

Since this event is connected with the Catholic teaching of His Real Presence it is also a reminder **that every Tuesday**, from 9.00am until 12.00pm, the church here is left open to enable all who wish to come to spend time in peace and stillness before the tabernacle. We hope that more will now use this opportunity and grow in this very important and valuable aspect of Catholic life and faith.

Recently Deceased

Please remember in your prayers

Clifford Baralos, Michael Fleming & Patricia Littlemore
Clifford's Funeral Service will be on Tuesday July 31st at 12.00pm
Michael's Funeral Service will be on Wednesday August 8th at 10.15am
No date has been set yet for **Patricia's** funeral

May they rest in peace

Wales and the Marches Catholic History Society

The Society is trying to put together a full set of copies of the "Illtydian", the magazine of St. Illtyd's College, the Catholic Grammar School which served pupils from Cardiff, Newport and many other areas during the years 1923-1964 (the last year of the 11 plus exam). The magazine was first produced in 1929 and we are particularly looking for copies from the years before 1939. If you can help it would be much appreciated.

Please contact the Secretary – Tricia Coulthard either by phone 02920595899 or email triciacoulthard@outlook.com.

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.

Fr. Michael

Father Michael will be away until Tuesday July 31st.

At an ecclesiastical conference, a reporter came into the dining room for breakfast. It was a freezing December morning, and all the clergymen were gathered around the blazing log fire. The journalist sat alone at a table, shivering. He suddenly said: "I dreamt I'd ended up in Hell last night." Most of them ignored him, but one cleric said: "Really, what was it like?" "Not all that different from now," the journalist replied. "You couldn't get near the fire for clergymen."

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CALLING ALL TAXPAYERS

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

The new tax year started on April 6th, 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.

Nazareth House Cardiff

Are you looking for Nursing or Residential Care for yourself, a relative or a friend?
Nazareth House in Colum Road, Cardiff, currently has beds available. If you are interested please contact the General Manager, Jayne Jefferson for more information.
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