



**St. Alban's Parish Newsletter**  
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**15th September to 23rd September**

**Twenty Fourth Week in Ordinary Time**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>Sat. 15th September</b> 12.00pm to 12.30pm 6.00pm Mass	<b>Our Lady of Sorrows</b> Confessions Michael and Theresa Collins
<b>Sun. 16th September</b> 10.00am Mass	<b>24th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Stephen Murray
<b>Mon. 17th September</b> 6.00pm to 7.00pm 7.00pm Mass	<b>St. Robert Bellarmine, Bishop &amp; Doctor of the Church</b> Adoration in St. Joseph's Chapel Carmo Rodrigues
<b>Tues. 18<sup>th</sup> September</b> 9.30am Mass	<b>Weekday in ordinary time</b> Tom Marshall
<b>Wed. 19<sup>th</sup> September</b> 7.00pm Mass	<b>St. Januarius, Bishop &amp; Martyr</b> Celia Brigstock
<b>Thurs. 20<sup>th</sup> September</b> 9.30am Mass	<b>Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest, Paul Chong Ha-Sang, and Companions, Martyrs</b> Blandina Rodrigues
<b>Friday 21st September</b> 8.30am to 9.30am 9.30am Mass	<b>St. Matthew, Apostle &amp; Evangelist</b> Adoration in St. Joseph's Chapel Enrica Evans
<b>Sat. 22nd September</b> 12.00pm to 12.30pm 6.00pm Mass	<b>Votive Memorial of Our Lady</b> Confessions Joyce Keniry
<b>Sun. 23rd September</b> 10.00am Mass 12.00pm Baptism	<b>25th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Paul and Martin Edwards Benjamin Phillips

**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
Divine Mercy Group	Tuesday 7.00pm	In the Presbytery
Next week's Gospel, What does it mean?	After 7.00pm Mass	In St. Joseph's Chapel
Coffee Morning Tea party	Saturday	In the Hall

**THE LONG JOURNEY TO THE CROSS**

The long and arduous journey taken by Jesus took Him from the very northern towns in the country, down to the Sea of Galilee and then south for over one hundred miles to His final destination at Jerusalem. During that journey He mentions more than once the final purpose, the meaning of their journey - He declared openly that His destination was to be the Cross and not the warm welcome of what we now call Palm Sunday. Not surprisingly, the Apostles and especially Simon Peter could not accept nor understand the meaning of what He said. How could this possibly happen to the One who had said and done such wonderful things and who had clearly been sent by God to bring hope and salvation to all nations. Peter's response gets a stern rebuke from Jesus who reminds him and us that this is the only purpose of His coming among us as Man - to restore the possibility of life in all its fulness and a life that would bring with it an unending experience of peace, fulfilment and happiness which nothing could destroy. Jesus reminds us, too, of this purpose of His coming and of His terrible death but a death which would lead Him and us to share in the glory and new life of the Resurrection.

**Anniversaries** Kathleen Picton, Terrence Thomas, Donal O'Donovan, Carl Robinson, John O'Donoghue, Constance Brandt, Donald Hodgetts, Bridie Scanlon, Joan Tumelty, William McDonald, Nony Hardy, Mary Gibbon, Winifred Conolly, Frances Preece, Teresa Boyd, Peter Finn, Bernard Gooding, James O'Shea, William Price, Henry Gallivan, Bernard Smith, Mary Griffiths, Jean Alderman, Tom Downey, William Robinson.

**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, John Busutti, Paul O'Brien, Don & Dorothy James, Mary Williams, Baby Irene, Veronica, Gareth Chard, Monique Collins.

**Sick List Amendment**

Please note that next week this sicklist will be cleared completely. If you would like somebody to go on a new sick list please leave their name in the Sacristy.

**School Places**

There are a few places unoccupied at our Primary School, in the Reception Class and also in year 6. For more information ring the school on 20462915

**VOCATIONS!**

Last Saturday, three young men entered the Novitiate of the Rosminian Order at Ratcliffe, to begin their two years of preparation and discernment to discover what is God's will for their future role in the life of His Church. As we continue to pray each day for vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life let us remember these young men and ask God to call more to serve Him in this particular vocation.

**SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION COURSE**

Preparation sessions for parents and candidates for Reconciliation, Holy Communion and Confirmation will take place on Sunday September 16<sup>th</sup> in the Hall at the following times: Reconciliation and Holy Communion at 5.30pm and Confirmation at 6.30pm. Each meeting will last about one hour and will cover the dates, times and programmes for these sacraments and the details of parental involvement in this vital period of preparation.

### Church Offerings 8th and 9th September

Offertory Collection:- £ 544.13  
Of which:- £ 203.60 was Gift Aided

### Gift-Aid Tax Certificates

Parishioners who are in St. Alban's Gift-Aid scheme can collect their tax certificates for the year ending 5<sup>th</sup> April 2018 from the Church porch after the weekend Masses over the next couple of weeks.

### An Appeal

Do you have any spare tea sets, Milk Jugs etc. you no longer require?

Our Coffee Morning 'Catering Department' are appealing for these to use at the Coffee Morning Tea Party in September, and for future use at similar occasions.

Apparently what we used previously is no longer available.

Can you help please?

### A message from SPUC

A special campaign issue of 'SPUC Prolife today' will be distributed at both Masses this weekend. Enclosed with the issue will be guidelines to send a letter to your MP against the decriminalisation of abortion altogether. Please, please write now to stop this new Godless attack upon innocent unborn babies. We are aiming to send 25 thousand letters to Parliament. **PLEASE ACT – IT'S A MATTER OF LIFE OR DEATH!**

### GOSPEL ENQUIRY

On Wednesdays, after the 7.00pm Mass we shall start a new series of Gospel enquiries designed to help us all to find out more about what the words of the Gospel really mean and how we can enable that sharing to help us to grow into a deeper and more personal awareness of Jesus in our daily lives. These meetings are open to EVERYONE who wishes to grow in this way.

### Marriage preparation volunteers

The Archdiocese is seeking to increase the availability of its Preparation Programme for those couples preparing for marriage. If any parishioner is interested in training to become a part of this Programme please see Fr. Philip as soon as possible.

### THE RAINBOW OF HOPE

The Rainbow of Hope is a Christian Charity which with the assistance of volunteers from over 60 churches of all denominations working together as the Body of Christ, feeds homeless people and anyone in need every night of the year on the streets of Cardiff. It also provides essential food supplies to asylum seekers and other families in real need by way of over 300 food parcels every month. Clothing is also given to those in need and there is a drop-in centre open five and a half days per week. It is open for fellowship and Bible study and provision of essential advice on housing benefits and immigration.

There is a bin in the porch of the Church provided by The Rainbow of Hope in which you are invited to donate any items of dry food or tins of food which you are able to spare. These will be collected each week and any contribution you are able to make will be gratefully received and used. The inspiration for the charitable work of The Rainbow of Hope and all volunteers who give their time, love and commitment is the word of the Lord;

*"Whatever you did for the least of these brothers of mine you did for me"*

(Matthew 25 verse 40).

### 200 Club Winners – August 2018 Draw

1 <sup>st</sup>	No.168	K.Thomas	£50
2 <sup>nd</sup>	No.110	D.James	£25
3 <sup>rd</sup>	No. 18	Mavis Oliver	£15

### Christmas market trip to Worcester

This year's Christmas Market trip will be on 1<sup>st</sup> December 2018. The cost will be £15 per person. Please give names and monies to Tina. More details later.

*Much-married film star to short-sighted Minister trying to find the right place in his book: "Page 37, darling – take it from the top"*

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