



St. Alban's Parish Newsletter
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27th May to 4th June 2017

7th Week of Eastertide

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat. 27th May 12.00 to 12.30pm 6.00pm Mass	St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop Confessions Michael & Theresa Collins
Sun. 28th May 10.00am Mass	The Ascension of the Lord Kevin Bush
Mon. 29th May 9.00am – 10.00 am 10.00am Mass	Weekday 7th Week of Eastertide Adoration in the Chapel Jean Davies
Tues. 30th May 9.30am Mass	Weekday 7th Week of Eastertide Frank Fenlon
Wed. 31st May 7.00pm Mass	The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Angelica Spiteri
Thurs. 1st June 9.30am Mass	St. Justin, Martyr Page Family Intention
Friday 2nd June 8.30 am to 9.30am 9.30 am Mass	Sts Marcellinus & Peter, Martyrs Adoration in the St. Joseph's Chapel DM of the Powell Family
Sat. 3rd June 10.00 am Retreat 12.00 to 12.30pm 6.00pm Mass	St. Charles Lwanga & Companions, Martyrs For Eucharistic Ministers (Chapel) Confessions Terry O'Brien
Sun. 4th June 10.00am Mass 12.00pm Baptism 6.30pm Service	Pentecost Sunday Emily & Harry Marshall Harmony Warren Adoration, Prayers, Readings & Benediction

What's on this Week

WHAT	WHEN	WHERE
Legion of Mary	Monday 7.30pm	Presbytery
Union of Catholic Mothers	Monday 7.30pm	Presbytery
Bereavement Group	Tuesday 6.00pm	Presbytery
Divine Mercy Group	Tuesday 7.30pm	Presbytery
Unravelling the Gospels	Wednesday (After Mass)	St. Joseph's Chapel
Eucharistic Ministers Retreat	Saturday 10 am	St. Joseph's Chapel
Prayer Service	Sunday 6.30pm	Church

VISITING GOD

We all need to be reminded that, not only at times of Mass but at so many other times too, Jesus is present in the Tabernacle awaiting our visits, our adoration, and our thanksgiving. Every Tuesday morning from 9.00am until 12.00pm the church is open for such visits. Can we make a renewed effort to use these opportunities to visit the Blessed Sacrament? At other times we can try to keep the church quiet in the time leading up to the start of Mass so that we can prepare ourselves for Who we are about to receive and what we are about to do in the Mass.

HELP!

We have appealed more than once recently for extra helpers to come forward to take on some of the day-by-day tasks which are so essential in the life of the Parish. So far, with little or no response. These include keeping the church and surrounds clean and tidy, looking after the finances of the Parish, maintenance jobs, being available to arrange bookings for the Hall, serving at Mass, singing in the choir, etc, etc. Anyone interested or curious please contact one of the Priests.

ACTA (A Call to Action) is an organisation that brings together Clergy, Religious and Laity to discuss issues of common interest and concern in the life of the Church. The next meeting of this group is at St. David's Sixth Form College, Ty Gwyn Road, Penylan at 7.00pm on Monday, June 5th. All are welcome to come and contribute their views and ideas.

ELECTION TIME!

The Bishops of England and Wales have issued a letter in preparation for the coming General Election. This is NOT telling us how to vote, but summarises the major issues in the light of our Catholic faith as a help in the discernment which we all need to make as we come to vote on June 8th. Copies of this letter are available at the back of the church.

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 Tracey & Chloe Price, David Bateman, Anna Sueref, Pat Kiiver, John Cowhey, Jack O'Leary, Mike McCauliffe, Tom and Sheila Downey, Jean Alderman, Daniel Young, Shelagh O'Donoghue, Fr. John Bland IC, Barbara Murphy, David Jones, Paul Burns

Anniversaries

Colin Gristock, Kazimierze (Jimmy) Kicinski, John Jennings, Stephen Murray, Jeremiah O'Sullivan, John Howe, John Rogers, Terence Whitfield, John Britton, Christine Baker, Florence Briscoombe, Margaret Bruford, Mavis Tumelty.

"Thy Kingdom Come" All Parishioners are invited to take part in a prayer initiative sponsored by the Catholic & Anglican Bishops of England & Wales to begin on May 25th and end on the eve of Pentecost, June 3rd. This time of prayer set aside each day of this period will focus on various needs of our lives and of our nations at this time. Please take one of the prayer cards from the back of the Church and try to set aside at least ten minutes of each day to offer these prayers to God in a time of great need.

Church Offerings 20th and 21st May 2017

Offerory Collection -	£582.32
Of which	£281.50 was Gift Aided
Priest Training Fund (Additional) -	£20 (Total now £352.59)

FORTHCOMING CHURCH FEASTS

May 27 th /28 th	The Ascension of Our Lord. (This is also Communications Sunday on which there will be a retiring collection)
June 3 rd /4 th	Pentecost
June 10 th /11 th	The Blessed Trinity
June 17 th /18 th	Corpus Christi
June 29 th	Sts. Peter and Paul

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Next Saturday, June 3rd, the commissioned Ministers of Holy Communion in the Parish are invited to a short time of prayer and reflection in thanksgiving for their Ministry and to share experience and good practice. This will be in the St. Joseph's Chapel from 10.00am until 12.30pm. Commissioned Ministers from other Parishes are welcome to join us if they wish. Please let us know how many might be coming.

Wales and the Marches Catholic History Society Annual History Day Saturday June 10th at St.David's College Starts with Mass at 10 am

Speakers

11.15 Rev.Dr.Trystan Owain-Hughes
"Winds of Change Revisited: New Perspectives on the Catholic Church in Wales in the Twentieth Century"
2.15pm Prof. Madeleine Gray
"Sin, Mercy, Death and the Gallant: The Llancafarn wall paintings as a coherent scheme"

**Cost for the day: £10 (Members) £12.50 (Non-Members)
includes lunch, teas, coffees, pastries and a glass of wine.**

Lately Dead

Please remember in your prayers:-
Lillian Marriot and Fr. Giovanni Benvenuti, and Frank Fenlon (St.Peter's). No dates available at this time for funeral services.

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.

A man was coming out of church one day, and the priest was standing at the door as always, to shake hands. He grabbed the man by the hand and pulled him aside. The priest said to him "You need to join the Army of the Lord". The man replied "I'm already in the Army of the Lord Father". The priest questioned "How come I don't see you except at Christmas and Easter?. The man whispered back "I'm in the secret service"

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Baptism Preparation Class

The next Preparation Class for Parents and Godparents wishing to have their child/children Baptised at St.Alban's Church will take place in the Church Hall on Sunday 4th June immediately after the morning Mass.

Children's Liturgy Group

For the next few months the Children's Liturgy Group will be on the first Sunday of each month ONLY at the usual time. This will continue until the next Sacramental Preparation Course for Reconciliation and Holy Communion begins later in the year, at which point the group will resume its weekly meetings.

Sacramental Preparation Course 2017/2018

Parents who wish their child/children to take part in the next Sacramental Preparation Course for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion should make themselves known to Theresa and Maggie and pick up their Mass attendance booklets. Candidates for Confirmation should also speak to Theresa and Maggie. Information meetings for all three Sacraments will be held in September/October.

REPEAT S.O.S.

A young Catholic man, Jose, from South America, now working in the caring services, is still desperately seeking accommodation for three months until he can find a permanent home. To discuss his needs or for further information, ring Jose on 07545704297.

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