

MASS INTENTIONS
Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Saturday 18 th July –	6.30pm	Deacon Ken's 6 th Anniversary of Ordination
Sunday 19 th July -	9.00am	Danny Lions (Int)
	11.00am	Padraig Hester (R.I.P)
Monday 20 th July –	9.00am	Bruno D'Souza (R.I.P)
Tuesday 21 st July – Fiera	10.00am	Romeo & Della Rodrigues (R.I.P)
Wednesday 22 nd July – St Mary Magdalene	9.00am	Roy, Stella & Family (Int)
Thursday 23 rd July – St Bridget of Sweden	9.00am	Nuala McManus
Friday 24 th July –	9.00am	Anne Dunn (Int)
Saturday 25 th July - St James , Ap	9.00am	Jenny Jones (Int)

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Saturday 25 th July – St James, Ap	6.30pm	Jimmy Nolan
Sunday 26 th July -	9.00am	Yvonne & Rob Brown Anniversary (Int)
	11.00am	People of the Parish

Sacrament of Reconciliation: to be arranged

Peace Garden

Our prayer garden is opened daily and there is a prayer, Pope Francis has asked us to pray to seek Mary's help, which is in front of the statue. Please say this prayer as we hope that the world may be healed of this virus.

ST. ALBAN'S PARISH NEWSLETTER
(Langdale Gardens)

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18th & 19th July 2020

Dear Friends,

Our Lord says in today's Gospel that the world is like a field in which wheat and weeds grow side by side. The Church is the same and so is each of us. Each of us is a mixture of good and evil. Today's parable of the wheat and the darnel forcefully reminds us that there is much work to do. In our life, good and evil live side by side. If we wait until all sin is removed from our life, we will never offer the Eucharist on this earth. On the other hand, if the Mass is mere ceremony with no impact on our lives, this is hypocrisy. What the Lord asks of us is that at each celebration we genuinely try to prepare ourselves to unite our work with his.

We do this by working for the same purpose as Jesus himself to make his church one, to bring his people together in true community. The God we meet in the Eucharist in the words of the first reading is a "God who cares for everything, is mild in judgement and after sin will grant repentance". If we are to unite our gift with his and our work with his, then we must be kindly towards everyone. Evil will not finally be removed from our life until the harvest at the end of the world. But what gives us hope in our weakness is that the Holy Spirit is working in us, moving us towards love for God and people and prompting us to work for one body, one spirit in Christ.

Please keep safe and mind yourself and each other.
God Bless,
Father Maurice

Please pray for all who are sick, including:

Michael Balfour, Vincent Brady, Rose Cahill, John Carty, Maureen Daly, Katherine Day, Desmond family, Gerry Dique, Anthony Doherty, Nancy Donovan, Ann Dunn, Kevin Harty, Bernadette Heddle, Peter Hemsley, Ellen Hurley, Jenny Jones, Ann Kelly, Neil Kelly, Sheila Leahy, Mary Lynes, Siobhan McKeon, Norah McLoughlin, Matthew Milnar, John Morrison Cecilia O'Connor, Vincent Okolo, Dean Partleton, Nellie Ringrose, Mary Sayers, Marina Scarff, John Sinclair, Charles Stimpson, Crystal Stimpson, Theresa Wiseman, Elizabeth Wyles, Clara Yankey, Teresa Pitman, Julia Joseph, Mary Kakari, John Barry, Sarah Content, Celia Desmond, Teresa Shorey, Jean Berry, Dennis Doherty, Francesca Kelly, Paul & Eva AU, Rose Dique, Jim Nolan, George Kiparrisi, Rosetta Reehill, William Bradbury

Gift Aid Envelopes

Gift Aid envelopes have arrived at the Church if you wish to come and collect your boxes give the presbytery a ring to arrange a time.

The Diocese has provided each Church with their own direct on link for the offertory,

<https://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/donations?parish=elm-park>

Please remember if you are a taxpayer and have envelopes make it known on your donation, otherwise we will not be able to reclaim the tax paid. We have also been asked about Easter Offerings for the priest please make that known also if donating online.

M Galley and P Zindi are requested to pick up their cheques from the presbytery, as they are the winners of the 200 club for April and November, respectively.

Please remember the more people we have in the 200 club the bigger the monthly prize would be. We have lost quite a few members over the last two years this is a great way to give to the church as well as having the possibility of a win. If you would like to join the 200 club please see ask Father Maurice.

Diocesan Appointments

Parish Priest

Mgr John Armitage to **Canning Town**
Father Andrew Forsys from **Canning Town to Lexden**
Father Martin Hardy to **Grays**
Father Nixon Gomes to **Witham**
Father Bartolomeu Blag to **South Woodford**

Assistant Priests:

Father Adrian Lowe to **Wanstead**
Father Pascal Uche to **Colchester**
Father Jijo George to **St Margaret's Canning Town**

Communion Dates

On Saturday 25th July, we begin our celebrations for our First Communion children as they receive our Lord for the first time in this sacrament. To respect social distancing and to comply with Diocesan regulations we have three Masses 12pm, 3pm and 5pm. The following Saturday 1st August we have Masses at 9.30am, 3pm and 5pm.

Please pray for these children and their families.

We congratulate Paschal who did his parish placement in this parish in January 2019 who will be ordained into the priesthood on the 1st August at 11.30am at the cathedral.

Paschal's Message

Dearest friends and family, although we cannot be together, it is with great joy that I invite you to join me for both the Ordination and first Mass via the live stream link below. We hope to have a thanksgiving celebration at a later day. Thank you for your prayers and support over the years and May the Lord bless you as we rejoice in His gifts. All to Jesus through the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

Live stream link www.tinyurl.com/y7a7vp2e