

MASS INTENTIONS

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Saturday 29 th August –	6.30pm	David Silk (Int)
Sunday 30 th August -	9.00am	Marie Kingman (R.I.P)
	11.00am	Leo Connolly (R.I.P)
Monday 31 st August – Fiera	9.00am	Natalie Rosario (R.I.P)
Tuesday 1 st September – St Sebbi	10.00am	Adeline Rosario (R.I.P)
Wednesday 2 nd September- Fiera	9.00am	Careme & Bernard Fernandes (R.I.P
Thursday 3 rd September – St George the Great	9.00am	Margaret Hughes (R.I.P)
Friday 4 th September – Fiera	9.00am	Mary Sayers (Int)
Saturday 5 th September - Fiera	9.00am	Siobhan McKeon (Int)

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Saturday 5 th September -	6.30pm	Mary Kakari (Int)
Sunday 6 th September -	9.00am	Roy & Marian Francis 45 th Wedding Anniversary
	11.00am	Vincent Okolo (Int)

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 CATHOLIC CHURCH

ST. ALBAN'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

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29th & 30th August 2020

Dear Friends,

To follow Christ is to suffer, but there are great rewards. Today's Gospel contains some of the most serious words of Christ. He says to his disciples and to us, "What good will it do to you, if you gain the whole world and lose your soul?" These words surely cannot fail to make us stop and think. We should recall them whenever we are faced with important decisions, when we have tough choices to make, and when we are setting goals for our lives. People can be faced with very difficult choices.

Jesus knew that a child of God always has to be prepared to move from the comfortable known to the fearful unknown. If we set out on the path of Jesus of Nazareth, we have no idea where it will bring us. There will be mountain top experiences where we feel happy and secure and close to God and to our family and friends. The seductive message of the world will be that we can stay there, on the mountain top with nice views and loving company in our hi-tech electronic homes fulfilling private wishes and goals. However, God points us towards the valley where our cross carrying, needy brothers and sisters live. That means all of us. God calls us to see through the make-believe designer world of the ad-man and ignore the seductive hi-tech voices of those who say that we can live without suffering or that we can be good or reach out to others without pain.

There is a price to be paid for discipleship, for following the path of Christ, and our Mass every week is not a sedative to lull us into self-satisfaction but a stimulant to open our eyes and ears and to rouse us into action. We should not be afraid to act on God's prompting even if we do not know what the consequences might be.

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 Hedde, 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, Roy Francis, Rob Brown

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.

The 200 club

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 Father Maurice.

Please note that face coverings are mandatory in the Church. Please ensure your own safety when receiving Communion to replace your mask.

Confirmation

Please join us in congratulating our 20 young people who received the Sacrament of Confirmation last week. We would like to extend our thanks to the parents, sponsors, catechists and many others who have supported them through their journey. Now that these young people are fully initiated into our adult faith, we look forward in supporting them in which their Gifts and Fruits of the Spirit are nurtured. These young adults are vital part of the community and they enrich us by their participation in the life of the church.

Please Pray

For the repose of the soul of Charlene Avatt who died on the 14th August. On the Wednesday, 2nd September, her body will be brought into the church at 10:30 am and her Requiem Mass will be at 12 noon following on to the City of London Crematorium.

Also, pray for Mary Baker who died on 21st August, her funeral will be on the Friday, 4th September at 11am in St. Patrick's Cemetery, Leytonstone.

May They Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory.

The Good Counsel Network

The Good Counsel Network is a Catholic, Pro-Life group based in London. We provide friendship, creative solutions, help and supports to women in crisis pregnancies and afterwards, regardless of their beliefs, nationality, legal status etc. We can also help women suffering after an abortion. Please get in touch with our telephone number – 020 7723 1740 or by email- info@goodcounselnetwork.com or visit our site www.goodcounselnetwork.com .

Sacred Heart of Mary Girls School, St Mary's Lane, Upminster is looking for a part time cleaner, required as soon as possible. APTC scale point 1-3, 52 weeks per annum, 10 hours a week 6.15-8.15am Monday to Friday. Closing date Monday 31st August 2020 application form is available on school website and should be sent to the business manager if you have any queries please contact Kerry Jones (Business Manager) kj@mary.havering.sch.uk