

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Twenty - Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Saturday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October -	6.30pm	People of the Parish
Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> October -	9.00am	Margaret and John Keating (Int)
	11.00am	Nellie Ringrose (Int)
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> October – Fiera	9.00am	John Moynihan (R.I.P)
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> October – Fiera	10.00am	Frances Nolan (R.I.P)
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> October- <b>Our Lady of the Rosary</b>	9.00am	Onodu Family (Int)
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> October – <b>St Osyth</b>	9.00am	Terry Whiston
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> October – <b>St John Henry Newman</b>	9.00am	Father Terry Fellows (R.I.P)
Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup> October - Fiera	9.00am	Nell Addison (int)

### Twenty - Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup> October -	6.30pm	Frank Rangel (R.I.P)
Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> October - <b>(Day of Prayer for Prisoners and their dependants)</b>	9.00am	Wife and families (Int)
	11.00am	Tom and Maureen Gorham

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** to be arranged

#### **Peace Garden**

Next Wednesday is the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. After Mass we will bless the four frames depicting the different mysteries of the Rosary. We thank St Alban's School and the three families that have produce these works of art. These frames will be placed on the wall in the peace garden to help us all reflect on our Lord's life and the graces we receive from reciting the Rosary. All are welcome to visit.



ST ALBAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

## ST. ALBAN'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

(Langdale Gardens)

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3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> October 2020

Dear Friends,

God cares for his people as a good vinedresser cares for his vineyard. Today's parable is trying to tell us how God feels towards his people. In spite of all the love, he has shown them, all he gets in return is utter ingratitude. This is our story too. Which of us would make so bold as to claim that we have made a full and adequate response to God's love, shown in and through Christ? Though God loves to the point of foolishness, he does want to see a response from us, not for his own sake, but for ours. He wants to see us make use of the gifts and opportunities he has given us so that we can grow as his children. Our response must be free, and given out of love. Now is the time to start making a response. There is no point in waiting for the harvest time. That will be too late. Our response can be summed up like this: he wants us to live as Jesus his Son lived.

It takes many vines and many branches to make a vineyard. God's vineyard is the Christian community. This is the vineyard Christ planted and tended with such care that he gave his life for it. He looks to his vineyard to produce the fruits of justice, love and peace. However, of course the vineyard cannot be fruitful unless the individual vines are fruitful.

#### **Prayer**

Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your disciples: 'I am the vine, you are the branches. Separated from me you can do nothing, but united with me you will bear much fruit'. Lord, strengthen the bonds that unite us with you and with one another, so that we may enjoy the peace and unity of your Kingdom where you live forever and ever. AMEN

*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, Roy Francis, Rob Brown, Dylan Dunbar, Nell Addison, Tom & Maureen Gorham, Jack Lawless

**Gift Aid**

Please remember if you are a taxpayer and you have not signed up to the gift aid scheme you are letting the government keep 20p in every £1 that you donate to the Church. There are forms at the back of the church please fill them in and return to the parish office.

We have been asked to provide details so that parishioners can pay their donations by direct debit or standing order. It is an easier form of donation the details are as follows

Bank HSBC

Account name: Catholic Church Elm Park St Albans

Sort Code: 40-13-22

Account number: 31019848

We can still collect the gift aid off these donations so please remember to fill in the gift aid form.

**Thank you**

**Rest in Peace**

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Angela Veares, who died recently. Her Requiem Mass will take place on this Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2020 at 1pm. Followed by committal at south Essex Crematorium. May she Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory.

**FR TIMOTHY RADCLIFFE TO SPEAK ON THE JOY OF THE GOSPEL**

Christ the High Priest, Gidea Park, will be hosting a live stream event organised by the Catholic Biblical Association of Great Britain on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> October from 11 am.

Fr Timothy Radcliffe OP will speak about the 'joy of the gospel'. The live stream event can be followed by going to [www.ssppilford.org.uk](http://www.ssppilford.org.uk) and clicking on live stream remote events. This is the first of a series of events organised by the CBA at various venues. Contact the CBA at [catholicbiblicalassociation.gb@gmail.com](mailto:catholicbiblicalassociation.gb@gmail.com)

**Signing of Secondary School Forms**

Father Maurice will be available to sign Secondary School forms on the Monday 12<sup>th</sup> October 6-7pm and Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> October from 5-7pm

**Signing of Primary School Forms**

If your child is eligible to apply for a primary school place in September 2021, Father Maurice will be signing forms on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> December from 5-7pm and Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December from 6-7pm

**Ursuline Academy Ilford**

Due to Covid-19, The Ursuline Academy is unable to hold its annual open evening for entrants. Please check out the school website for a short video presentation and admission information. Look at our school at [www.uai.org.uk](http://www.uai.org.uk) . Limited individual tours will be available during October on an appointment basis email [enquiries@uai.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@uai.org.uk) to request a visit.

**Society for the Protection of Unborn Children**

Pro-abortion MPs in Parliament want to stop pregnant women getting help outside abortion clinics by calling for buffer zones. SPUC is campaigning to save the right for peaceful pro-life vigils to take place. Hundreds of children are alive today in this country because their mother met a loving pro-life person just before they walked into the abortion clinic. We must protect this vital work.

Please sign our petition to save the right to save lives. It only takes a minute of your time, but it could mean a lifetime for an unborn baby.

You can sign the petition

here: <https://spuc.org.uk/SaveTheRightToSaveLives>